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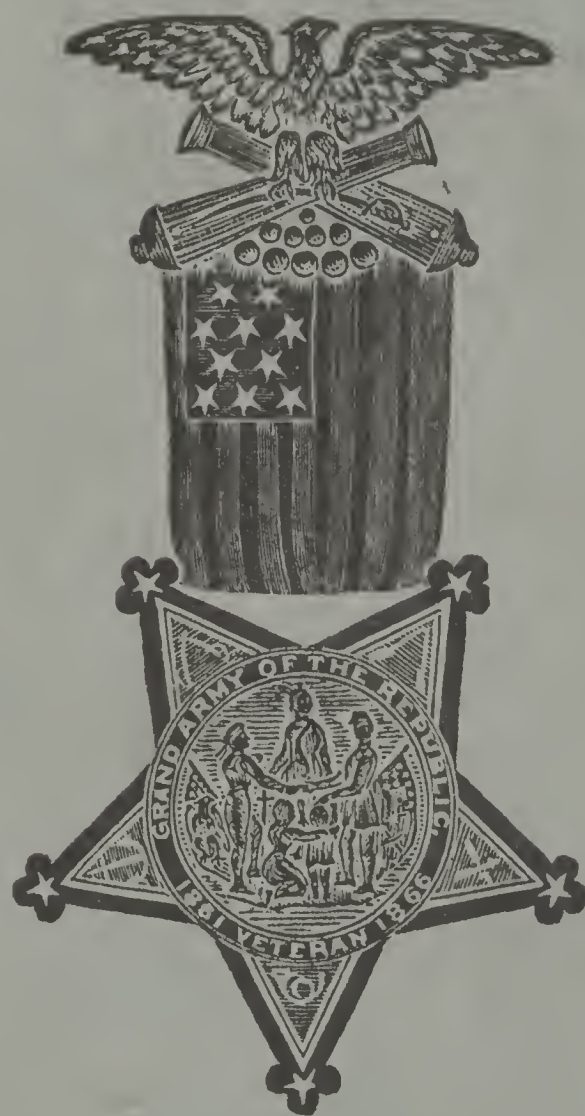
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House concurrent resolution 69, Sixty-fifth Congress.

**SUBMITTED BY MR. BARNHART.**

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),* That there shall be printed as a House document one thousand five hundred copies of the Journal of the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen, not to exceed \$1,700 in cost, with illustrations, one thousand copies of which shall be for the use of the House and five hundred for the use of the Senate.

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# ENCAMPMENT ROLL LIST OF COMMITTEES

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MEMBERSHIP OF FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The total number of names appearing on the Roll of the Fifty-third National Encampment, as shown by the following table is 1,421.

Deducting previously reported as indicated by † the net voting strength is 1,310.

National officers, past national officers, departments.	De- part- ment officers.	Repre- sentatives.	Past depart- ment com- mand- ers.	Total.	Deduct previ- ously re- port- ed.†	Net voting strength
National officers entitled to vote.....				10	.....	10
National council of administration.....				44	.....	44
Past commanders in chief.....				14	.....	14
Past senior vice commanders in chief.....				13	2	11
Past junior vice commanders in chief.....				16	2	14
Alabama.....	4	1	13	18	2	16
Arizona.....	4	1	12	17	3	14
Arkansas.....	4	2	20	26	4	22
California and Nevada.....	4	17	31	52	1	51
Colorado and Wyoming.....	4	6	17	27	.....	27
Connecticut.....	4	6	16	26	1	25
Delaware.....	4	2	21	27	1	26
Florida.....	4	3	15	22	1	21
Georgia and South Carolina.....	4	1	15	20	3	17
Idaho.....	4	2	16	22	2	20
Illinois.....	4	29	11	44	1	43
Indiana.....	4	23	22	49	2	47
Iowa.....	4	22	18	44	4	40
Kansas.....	4	20	16	40	1	39
Kentucky.....	4	3	12	19	3	16
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	4	2	5	11	2	9
Maine.....	4	8	15	27	2	25
Maryland.....	4	4	19	27	3	24
Massachusetts.....	4	23	13	40	3	37
Michigan.....	4	18	17	39	2	37
Minnesota.....	4	9	20	33	4	29
Missouri.....	4	11	18	33	5	28
Montana.....	4	2	11	17	3	14
Nebraska.....	4	9	21	34	5	29
New Hampshire.....	4	5	17	26	.....	26
New Jersey.....	4	8	17	29	3	26
New Mexico.....	4	1	15	20	2	18
New York.....	4	38	21	63	3	60
North Dakota.....	4	2	17	23	3	20
Ohio.....	4	39	18	61	2	59
Oklahoma.....	4	4	20	28	3	25
Oregon.....	4	7	19	30	2	28
Pennsylvania.....	4	38	17	59	2	57
Potomac.....	4	4	28	36	6	30
Rhode Island.....	4	3	14	21	1	20
South Dakota.....	4	3	23	30	6	24
Tennessee.....	4	3	14	21	.....	21
Texas.....	4	2	10	16	.....	16
Utah.....	4	2	12	18	2	16
Vermont.....	4	5	13	22	2	20
Virginia and North Carolina.....	4	2	9	15	3	12
Washington and Alaska.....	4	9	19	32	1	31
West Virginia.....	4	3	14	21	2	19
Wisconsin.....	4	11	24	39	6	33
Total.....	176	413	735	1,421	111	1,310

# ROLL OF THE FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 7 TO 13, 1919.

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## NATIONAL OFFICERS.

*Commander in Chief:*

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,<sup>1</sup> Omaha, Nebr.

*Senior Vice Commander in Chief:*

J. G. CHAMBERS,<sup>1</sup> Portland, Oreg.

*Junior Vice Commander in Chief:*

CHAS. H. HABER,<sup>1</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Va.

*Surgeon General:*

C. M. FERRIN,<sup>1</sup> Burlington, Vt.

*Chaplain in Chief:*

PHILIP A. NORDELL,<sup>1</sup> Brookline, Mass.

*Adjutant General:*

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,<sup>1</sup> Lincoln, Nebr.

*Quartermaster General:*

COLA D. R. STOWITS,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.

*Judge Advocate General:*

THOMAS S. HOPKINS,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.

*Inspector General:*

THOMAS H. BROWN,<sup>1</sup> Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

*National Patriotic Instructor:*

GEORGE D. KELLOGG,<sup>1</sup> Newcastle, Calif.

*Assistant Adjutant General:*

GEORGE A. NEWMAN,<sup>1 2</sup> Des Moines, Iowa.

*Assistant Quartermaster General:*

J. HENRY HOLCOMB,<sup>1 3</sup> Philadelphia, Pa.

*Chief of Staff:*

GEORGE A. HOSLEY,<sup>1 4</sup> Boston, Mass.

*Senior Aide de Camp:*

JOSEPH TEETER,<sup>1 5</sup> McCook, Nebr.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Comrade Newman, assistant adjutant general of Iowa.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Holcomb not entitled to vote.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Hosley, past department commander of Massachusetts.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade Teeter, past department commander of Nebraska.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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Alabama.....	F. G. Sheppard <sup>1 2</sup> .....	Died June 28, 1919.
	Manoah Bostick <sup>1</sup> .....	Birmingham.
Arizona.....	E. S. Godfrey.....	Cookstown, N. J.
Arkansas.....	Cos. Altenberg <sup>1</sup> .....	Little Rock.
California and Nevada.....	W. A. Huddart <sup>1</sup> .....	Berkeley, Calif.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	D. N. Heiser.....	Colorado Springs.
Connecticut.....	Harry L. Beach <sup>1</sup> .....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	Wm. A. Truitt.....	Milford.
Florida.....	A. C. Shaffer <sup>1</sup> .....	Lakeland.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	W. M. Scott <sup>1</sup> .....	Atlanta, Ga.
Idaho.....	G. F. Kimery <sup>1</sup> .....	Boise.
Illinois.....	John B. Inman <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Springfield.
Indiana.....	Milton Garrigus <sup>1</sup> .....	Kokomo.
Iowa.....	J. W. Willett <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Tama.
Kansas.....	Geo. F. Pendarvis <sup>1</sup> .....	Parsons.
Kentucky.....	Americus Whedon <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Washington, D. C.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	A. J. Barrett.....	New Orleans, La.
Maine.....	H. E. Merriam <sup>1</sup> .....	Gardiner.
Maryland.....	J. A. Thompson, jr. <sup>1</sup> .....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Francis E. Mole.....	Adams.
Michigan.....	R. A. Parker <sup>1</sup> .....	Detroit.
Minnesota.....	Philip G. Woodward <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Anoka.
Missouri.....	John M. Williams <sup>1</sup> .....	California.
Montana.....	George H. Taylor <sup>1</sup> .....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	John A. Ehrhardt <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Stanton.
New Hampshire.....	William Blair.....	Berlin.
New Jersey.....	Alfred Atkins <sup>1</sup> .....	Roselle Park.
New Mexico.....	Lee H. Rudisille.....	White Oaks.
New York.....	George A. Price <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	H. F. Dinsmore <sup>1</sup> .....	Ellendale.
Ohio.....	John C. Roland <sup>1</sup> .....	Cleveland.
Oklahoma.....	F. M. Cline.....	Woodward.
Oregon.....	F. H. Lamb.....	Inverness, Calif.
Pennsylvania.....	J. Andrew Wilt <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Towanda.
Potomac.....	John Middleton <sup>1</sup> .....	Washington.
Rhode Island.....	John A. Medbery <sup>1</sup> .....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	E. L. Hurlbut.....	Rapid City.
Tennessee.....	Newton Hacker <sup>1</sup> .....	Jonesboro.
Texas.....	H. W. Nye <sup>1</sup> .....	Weatherford.
Utah.....	Elias Price <sup>1</sup> .....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	E. E. Pierce <sup>1</sup> .....	Springfield.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	W. H. House.....	Portsmouth.
Washington and Alaska.....	J. E. Gandy <sup>1</sup> .....	Spokane.
West Virginia.....	L. B. Moore <sup>1</sup> .....	Parkersburg.
Wisconsin.....	D. G. James.....	Richland.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Members of executive committee.



## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS.

### PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

B. F. Stephenson <sup>2</sup> (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871).....	1866
S. A. Hurlbut, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882).....	1866-67
John A. Logan, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886).....	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881).....	1871-72
Charles Devens, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892).....	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1899).....	1875-76
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1897).....	1877-78
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Feb. 17, 1885).....	1879
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914).....	1880
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900).....	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902).....	1882
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1914).....	1883
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died June 14, 1909).....	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914).....	1885
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896).....	1886
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900).....	1887
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916).....	1888
Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907).....	1889
Wheelock G. Veazy, <sup>2</sup> Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898).....	1890
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905).....	1891
A. G. Weissert, <sup>1</sup> Milwaukee, Wis.....	1892
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900).....	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908).....	1894
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905).....	1895
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915).....	1896
John P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910).....	1897
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office Feb. 5, 1899).....	1898
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917).....	1899
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 10, 1901).....	1899
Leo Rassieur, <sup>1</sup> St. Louis, Mo.....	1900
Ell Torrance, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.....	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917).....	1902
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915).....	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office July 16, 1905).....	1904
John R. King, <sup>1</sup> Baltimore, Md.....	1905
James Tanner, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.....	1905
Robert B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 30, 1916).....	1906
Charles G. Burton, <sup>1</sup> Kansas City, Mo.....	1907
Henry M. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911).....	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.....	1909
John E. Gilman, <sup>1</sup> Boston, Mass.....	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918).....	1911
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>1</sup> Bridgeport, Conn.....	1912
Washington Gardner, <sup>1</sup> Albion, Mich.....	1913
David J. Palmer, <sup>1</sup> Washington, Iowa.....	1914
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>1</sup> Cincinnati, Ohio.....	1915
W. J. Patterson, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, Pa.....	1916
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>1</sup> Kokomo, Ind.....	1917

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 5, 1879).....	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887).....	1868
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896).....	1868-70
Louis Wagner, Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914).....	1871-72
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 13, 1896).....	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> California (died Sept. 18, 1911).....	1875-76
Elisha H. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917).....	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902).....	1878
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905).....	1879
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904).....	1880
Charles L. Young, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died in September, 1913).....	1881
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907).....	1882
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916).....	1883
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900).....	1884
Selden Connor, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died July 9, 1917).....	1885
S. W. Backus, <sup>1</sup> San Francisco, Calif.....	1886
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died July 31, 1899).....	1887
Moses H. Neil, Columbus, Ohio.....	1888
A. G. Weissert, <sup>1 3</sup> Milwaukee, Wis.....	1889
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office Nov. 22, 1890).....	1890
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907).....	1891
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> Detroit, Mich. (died July 13, 1912).....	1891
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 16, 1906).....	1892
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905).....	1893
A. P. Burchfield, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910).....	1894
E. H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901).....	1895
John H. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907).....	1896
Alfred Lyth, Buffalo, N. Y.....	1897
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (elected Commander in Chief Sept. 5, 1899).....	1898
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916).....	1899
Irvin Robbins, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Feb. 9, 1911).....	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, Portland, Me.....	1900
John McElroy, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.....	1901
William M. Olin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 15, 1911).....	1902
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> California (died Dec. 25, 1913).....	1903
John R. King, <sup>1 4</sup> Baltimore, Md. (promoted to fill vacancy July 17, 1905).....	1904
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to fill vacancy; died Sept. 19, 1906) ..	1905
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> Colorado (died Dec. 17, 1916).....	1905
William H. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914).....	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 6, 1912).....	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918).....	1908
William M. Bostaph, Salt Lake City, Utah.....	1909
Charles Burrows, <sup>1</sup> Rutherford, N. J.....	1910
Nicholas W. Day, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 6, 1916).....	1911
Henry Z. Osborne, Los Angeles, Calif.....	1912
Thomas H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> Oklahoma (died Aug. 21, 1918).....	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died in office Mar. 9, 1915).....	1914
William F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (promoted to fill vacancy Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919).....	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, Washington, D. C.....	1915
William H. Wormstead, Kansas City, Mo.....	1916
John L. Clem, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.....	1917

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Weissert, past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade King, past commander in chief.



## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903).....	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905).....	1866-69
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914).....	1870
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 14, 1918).....	1871
J. Warren Keifer, Springfield, Ohio.....	1871-72
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901).....	1873
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919).....	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896).....	1875-76
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885).....	1877
Herbert E. Hill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892).....	1878
Harrison Dingman, Washington, D. C.....	1879
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884).....	1880
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died June 9, 1912).....	1881
I. S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died May 30, 1903).....	1882
Walter H. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> California (died Mar. 26, 1889).....	1883
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919).....	1884
John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900).....	1885
Edgar Allan, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904).....	1886
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905).....	1887
Joseph Hadfield, <sup>3</sup> New York.....	1888
John F. Lovett, Trenton, N. J.....	1889
George B. Creamer, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896).....	1890
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915).....	1891
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904).....	1892
J. C. Bigger, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900).....	1893
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907).....	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died in 1911).....	1895
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906).....	1896
Francis B. Allen, Hartford, Conn.....	1897
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected senior vice Sept. 6, 1899; office of junior vice left vacant; died Mar. 26, 1916).....	1898
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911).....	1899
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (died Nov. 20, 1910).....	1900
James O'Donnell, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910).....	1901
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904).....	1902
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907).....	1903
George N. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Sept. 19, 1906).....	1904
Ephraim B. Stillings, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917).....	1905
Silas H. Towler, Minneapolis, Minn.....	1905
E. B. Fenton, <sup>1</sup> Evanston, Ill.....	1906
William M. Scott, <sup>1</sup> Atlanta, Ga.....	1907
Charles C. Royce, Washington, D. C.....	1908
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>1 4</sup> Bridgeport, Conn.....	1909
Williams James, <sup>1</sup> Jacksonville, Fla.....	1910
William A. Ogden, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914).....	1911
Americus Whedon, <sup>1 5</sup> Washington, D. C.....	1912
A. S. Fowler, Little Rock, Ark.....	1913
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Dallas, Tex. (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Mar. 1, 1919).....	1914
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, Mich. (elected Apr. 1, 1915).....	1915
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>1</sup> Berea, Ky.....	1915
E. K. Russ, New Orleans, La.....	1916
John M. Vernon, <sup>1</sup> Wilmette, Ill.....	1917

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Beers, past commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Whedon, national council of administration.

# DEPARTMENTS.

[The figures within the ( ) indicate the number of each department in order of permanent organization.]

## ALABAMA (42).

[Organized June 26, 1876. Reorganized Mar. 12, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 58. Posts, 3.]

Department commander.....	A. W. Fulghum <sup>1</sup> .....	Birmingham.
Senior vice department commander.....	John A. Barr <sup>1</sup> .....	Citronelle.
Junior vice department commander.....	W. J. Shipman.....	Birmingham.
Assistant adjutant general .....	Chas. C. Chapin <sup>1</sup> .....	Birmingham.

REPRESENTATIVE.	ALTERNATE.
William Scarlett, <sup>1</sup> Republic.	Geo. Hoenig, Cullman.

### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Cornelius Cadle, <sup>2</sup> 1868-70.	R. H. Allison, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Datus E. Coon, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Henry Chairsell, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1904.
George H. Patrick, Montgomery, 1871-80.	A. G. Negley, Florence, 1905.
F. G. Sheppard, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. N. Ballard, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1906.
William H. <sup>2</sup> Hunter, 1890.	W. M. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Seymour Bullock, <sup>2</sup> 1891 (died in office).	C. E. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
A. B. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	C. A. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
William Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Thomas R. Gockel, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
J. Clyde Millar, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Henry M. Austin, <sup>1</sup> Bedford, Va., 1910.
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Charles C. Chapin, <sup>5</sup> Birmingham, 1911.
Manoah Bostick, <sup>1</sup> <sup>3</sup> Birmingham, 1895.	W. H. Brooks, <sup>4</sup> 1912.
George F. Wollenhaupt, <sup>4</sup> 1896.	Joseph Greenwood, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
W. H. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Anson B. Culver, Birmingham, 1914.
A. G. Bethard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Charles A. Mange, Anniston, 1915.
A. P. Stone, <sup>4</sup> 1899.	J. J. Powers, <sup>1</sup> Mobile, 1916.
George B. Randolph, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	E. F. Quinn, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1917.
Geo. F. Jackson, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1901.	Isaac W. Higgs, <sup>1</sup> Citronelle, 1918.
E. D. Bacon, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Bostick, national council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of the order.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Chapin, assistant adjutant general.

## ARIZONA (40).

[Organized Jan. 17, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 75; Posts, 5.]

Department commander.....	A. J. Christian.....	Phoenix.
Senior vice department commander.....	James Wiley.....	Globe.
Junior vice department commander.....	J. T. Rhodes.....	Phoenix.
Assistant adjutant general .....	A. J. Sampson.....	Phoenix.

REPRESENTATIVE.	ALTERNATE.
Milo Webb, Phoenix.	James Woodson, Phoenix.



ARIZONA—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

A. L. Grow, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	C. M. Christy, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
A. B. Sampson, Tucson, 1889.	Arthur J. Judd, Prescott, 1905.
George F. Coates, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	James H. Creighton, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Edward Schwartz, <sup>2</sup> 1891-92.	N. S. Fullmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Douglas Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	A. J. Doran, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Charles D. Belden, Ben Avon, Pa., 1894.	D. P. Kyle, <sup>4</sup> Los Angeles, Cal., 1909.
W. F. R. Schindler, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	E. S. Godfrey, <sup>5</sup> Cookstown, N. J., 1910.
Archibald J. Sampson, <sup>3</sup> Phoenix, 1896.	R. H. Green, Phoenix, 1911.
George Hoxworth, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	James F. Duncan, Tombstone, 1912.
James Finley, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	J. J. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1913 (died in office).
George Broughton, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	George W. Reed, Prescott, 1913-14.
R. H. G. Minty, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. M. Grier, Phoenix, 1915.
Prosper P. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	George W. Barrows, Phoenix, 1916.
C. F. Schumacher, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	Henry H. Farrington, Phoenix, 1917-18.
George W. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Sampson, assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Kyle. See California and Nevada.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Godfrey, national council of administration.

ARKANSAS (31).

[Organized July 11, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 174; Posts, 7.]

Department commander.....	Samuel Henderson <sup>1</sup> .....	Little Rock.
Senior vice department commander.....	L. C. Carrico <sup>1</sup> .....	Fort Smith.
Junior vice department commander.....	Samuel Morrison.....	Bentonville.
Assistant adjutant general.....	O. J. Kyler <sup>1</sup> .....	Little Rock.

REPRESENTATIVES.

J. E. Leas,<sup>1</sup> Little Rock.  
W. H. Conine,<sup>1</sup> Bentonville.

ALTERNATES.

C. H. Whittemore, Little Rock.  
M. C. Stouteagle, Little Rock.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Stephen Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	W. G. Akers, Little Rock, 1901.
C. M. Barnes, Guthrie, Okla, 1885.	John H. Avery, Hot Springs, 1902-3.
C. C. Waters, Little Rock, 1886.	Edward T. Wolfe, Mena, 1904.
Thomas Boles, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	W. S. Bartholomew, Mansfield, 1905.
S. K. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	J. W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
A. S. Fowler, <sup>4</sup> Little Rock, 1889-90.	Cos Altenberg, <sup>1 3</sup> Little Rock, 1907.
W. H. H. Clayton, South McAlester, Okla., 1891.	Charles E. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Powell Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. Y. Killingsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Logan H. Roots, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (died in office).	J. M. McClintock, <sup>1</sup> De Valls Bluff, 1910.
Thomas H. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1893-94.	R. J. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Wm. C. Roberts, Rogers, 1895.	F. W. Tucker, Little Rock, 1912.
O. M. Spellman, Lake Farm, 1896.	A. S. Fowler, <sup>4</sup> Little Rock, 1913-14.
A. H. Soekland, Little Rock, 1897.	Charles S. Warn, Fort Smith, 1915.
W. G. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	H. F. Wallace, Siloam Springs, 1916.
George W. Clark, <sup>1</sup> Little Rock, 1899.	O. J. Kyler, <sup>5</sup> Little Rock, 1917.
A. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Horace Wyman, Bentonville. 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Altenberg, national council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Fowler, past junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Kyler, assistant adjutant general.

## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10).

[Organized Feb. 21, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 4,660; Posts, 94.]

Department commander.....Russell C. Martin<sup>1</sup>...Los Angeles.  
 Senior vice department commander.....W. W. Savercool.....San Leandro.  
 Junior vice department commander.....P. E. Newman.....Santa Ana.  
 Assistant adjutant general.....R. Heffelfinger<sup>1</sup>.....Los Angeles.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. A. Fuller,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 Wm. H. C. Chambers,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 P. H. Barry, Los Angeles.  
 Thomas L. Hull,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 G. M. Adams,<sup>1</sup> Pasadena.  
 S. W. Sutton,<sup>1</sup> Santa Ana.  
 John E. Myrick,<sup>1</sup> Oakland.  
 George Rouse, Riverside.  
 Levi Garrett,<sup>1</sup> Fresno.  
 J. B. Lauck,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco.  
 C. R. Norton,<sup>1</sup> Glendale.  
 C. B. Wilson,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 George W. Herr,<sup>1</sup> Sacramento.  
 A. E. Potter,<sup>1</sup> Colusa.  
 W. A. Waterman,<sup>1</sup> San Diego.  
 A. E. Vest,<sup>1</sup> San Diego.  
 W. H. Amos,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco.

## ALTERNATES.

W. H. Noll, Los Angeles.  
 R. Pixley, Lodi.  
 J. A. Osgood, Sierra Madre.  
 J. G. Beal, Visalia.  
 J. M. Aubery, Los Angeles.  
 J. S. Willson, Los Angeles.  
 J. H. Collier, Soldiers' Home.  
 W. J. Leiser, Santa Ana.  
 B. B. Pall, Hanford.  
 J. H. Young, Pasadena.  
 C. P. Coloneus, Los Angeles.  
 J. W. Renouf, Inglewood.  
 J. R. Milner, Long Beach.  
 D. N. Houn, Redding.  
 W. W. Murray, Long Beach.  
 C. C. Sparks, Carson City, Nev.  
 J. C. Lawrence, Pasadena.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John F. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1867 (provisional).  
 James Coey,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 W. L. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 W. E. McArthur,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 W. H. Aiken, Wrights, 1873-74.  
 A Carlson,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 A. C. Bagley,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 S. W. Backus,<sup>3</sup> San Francisco, 1877.  
 S. P. Ford,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 C. Mason Kinne,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 W. A. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 James W. Staples,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. H. Warfield,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 W. R. Smedberg, 1886.  
 E. S. Salomon,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 T. H. Goodman,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George E. Gard,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. J. Buckles,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 W. H. L. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 J. B. Fuller,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 E. C. Seymour, Highlands, 1893.  
 J. M. Walling, Nevada City, 1894.  
 Charles E. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

T. C. Masteller,<sup>4</sup> 1896.  
 N. P. Chipman, Sacramento, 1897.  
 Sol. Cahen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 A. F. Dill,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 George M. Mott, Berkeley, 1900.  
 George Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. G. Hawley,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 William R. Shafter,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Charles T. Rice, Hollywood, 1904.  
 W. W. Russell,<sup>1</sup> Berkeley, 1905.  
 Wm. C. Alberger, San Francisco, 1906.  
 Wm. G. Waters,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Samuel Merrill,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Wm. S. Daubenspeck, Los Angeles, 1909.  
 E. L. Hawk,<sup>1</sup> Sacramento, 1910.  
 H. V. Parker, Los Angeles, 1911.  
 Wm. R. Thomas, Oakland, 1912.  
 G. M. Stormont,<sup>1</sup> Pomona, 1913.  
 B. B. Tuttle, Davis, 1914.  
 Hiram B. Thompson, San Diego, 1915.  
 A. E. Leavitt, San Francisco, 1916.  
 C. H. Haskins,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, 1917.  
 John H. Roberts,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco, 1918.

## TRANSFERRED FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877, transferred from Illinois.  
 W. V. Lucas, Santa Cruz, 1884-1886, transferred from South Dakota.  
 A. V. Cole, Long Beach, 1885, transferred from Nebraska.  
 E. T. Langley, Santa Ana, 1890, transferred from South Dakota.  
 William A. Bentley, Los Angeles, 1891, transferred from North Dakota.  
 J. J. Steadman, Hollywood, 1892, transferred from Iowa.  
 J. Clyde Millar,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Alabama.  
 J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 George Hoxworth,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Arizona.



## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued.

## TRANSFERRED FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS—continued.

O. H. Coulter,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Kansas.  
 M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Utah.  
 Perry H. Manchester,<sup>1</sup> Escondido, 1900, transferred from Montana.  
 A. H. DeGroff,<sup>1</sup> San Jose, 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.  
 James E. Burns, Fresno, 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 John W. Edwards, National Soldiers' Home, 1902, transferred from New Mexico.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard, Santa Cruz, 1902, transferred from South Dakota.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>1</sup> San Diego, 1902, transferred from New York. See North Dakota and Oklahoma.  
 R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
 D. P. Kyle, Los Angeles, 1909, transferred from Arizona.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Backus, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.

## COLORADO AND WYOMING (21).

[Organized as the Department of the Mountains Dec. 11, 1879. Name changed to Colorado July 31, 1882.  
 Name changed to Colorado and Wyoming Aug. 28, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 1,426; posts, 53.]

Department commander.....C. M. Bills.....Denver.  
 Senior vice department commander.....A. J. Winters<sup>1</sup>.....Rocky Ford.  
 Junior vice department commander.....S. J. Capps.....La Vita.  
 Assistant adjutant general.....William Wilson<sup>1</sup>.....Denver.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

M. S. Crawford,<sup>1</sup> Denver.  
 D. A. Rankin,<sup>1</sup> Denver.  
 William Butler,<sup>1</sup> Longmont.  
 J. S. Fritz,<sup>1</sup> Denver.  
 J. E. Jewell,<sup>1</sup> Fort Morgan.  
 George H. Young,<sup>1</sup> Evans.

## ALTERNATES.

G. A. Bowen, Trinidad.  
 E. Brayton, Pueblo.  
 J. S. Chambers, La Junta.  
 William Green, Rocky Ford.  
 J. M. Williamson, Denver.  
 M. S. Barker, Denver.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Andrew Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1875-1877.  
 F. J. Bancroft,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 J. W. Donnellan,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 E. K. Stimson,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Byron, L. Carr,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. V. Bohn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Henry Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George Ady,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 John W. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thomas J. Fisher,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Delos L. Holden,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 George W. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John C. Kennedy,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Myron W. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Nathaniel Rollins,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 N. J. O'Brien,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 H. O. Dodge, Boulder, 1896.  
 U. S. Hollister, Hollywood, Calif., 1897.  
 W. T. S. May,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Andrew Royal,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 H. M. Orahod,<sup>2</sup> 1900.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

Linus E. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 J. W. Huff, Downs, Kans., 1902.  
 H. S. Vaughn, Denver, 1903.  
 Thomas J. Downen, Pueblo, 1904.  
 George W. Curfman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 L. C. Dana, San Diego, Calif., 1906.  
 R. H. Mellette<sup>2</sup> (see California and Nevada), 1907.  
 Henry C. Watson, Greeley, 1908.  
 John W. Wingate,<sup>1</sup> Durango, 1909.  
 W. W. Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).  
 W. H. McDonald, Grand Junction, 1910.  
 Dexter T. Sapp, Gunnison, 1911.  
 H. M. Minor, Rocky Ford, 1912.  
 C. A. Brooks, Denver, 1913.  
 O. S. Reed,<sup>1</sup> Pueblo, 1914.  
 F. O. Burdick, Boulder, 1915.  
 James Moynahan, Denver, 1916.  
 W. H. Comstock,<sup>1</sup> Denver, 1917.  
 Asa Curl,<sup>1</sup> Colorado Springs, 1918.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## CONNECTICUT (6).

[Organized Apr. 11, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 1,640; Posts, 58.]

Department commander.....	George T. Meech <sup>1</sup> .....	Middletown.
Senior vice department commander....	Ira R. Wildman <sup>1</sup> .....	Danbury.
Junior vice department commander...	Orrin M. Prior <sup>1</sup> .....	Norwich.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Wm. M. Barnum <sup>1</sup> .....	Bridgeport.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Sidney H. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Danbury.  
 Thomas Steven,<sup>1</sup> Hartford.  
 David W. Sharpe,<sup>1</sup> New Haven.  
 S. G. Jerome,<sup>1</sup> New London.  
 L. S. Catlin,<sup>1</sup> Bridgeport.  
 George I. Buxton,<sup>1</sup> Norwalk.

## ALTERNATES.

William H. Shaffer, Hartford.  
 William F. Smith, New Haven.  
 S. S. Stocking, Norwich.  
 Christian Swartz, South Norwalk.  
 Chas. J. Roberts, Stamford.  
 Charles Fenton, Williamantic.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward Harland,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Theodore G. Ellis,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 William H. Mallory,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 L. A. Dickinson,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Charles J. Buckbee,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 William E. Disbrow,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Frank G. Otis,<sup>2</sup> 1878 (died in office).  
 Charles E. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 George S. Smith, Niantic, 1880.  
 Alfred B. Beers,<sup>1 3</sup> Bridgeport, 1881.  
 Ira E. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Isaac B. Hyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 William Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Frank D. Sloat, Washington, D. C., 1885.  
 John T. Crary,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry E. Taintor,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Samuel B. Horne,<sup>1</sup> Winsted, 1888.  
 William H. Pierpont,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 John C. Broatch,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Henry N. Fanton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Benajah E. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wilbur F. Rogers, Meriden, 1893.  
 Selah G. Blakeman, Shelton, 1894.  
 John M. Brewer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

Oscar W. Cornish,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Gustav D. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William E. Simonds,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Henry R. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John K. Bucklyn,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Thomas Boudren,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 N. Burton Rogers, Danbury, 1902.  
 Morgan G. Bulkeley, Hartford, 1903.  
 William C. Hillard,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Albert A. May,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Virgil F. McNeil, New Haven, 1906.  
 Charles A. Appel,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Edward Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Haven, New London, 1909.  
 Edson S. Bishop,<sup>1 4</sup> Hartford, 1910.  
 Richard J. Cutbill, South Norwalk, 1911.  
 William H. Dougal, New Preston, 1912.  
 James R. Sloane,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Frederick V. Streeter, New Britain, 1914.  
 Charles Griswold, Guilford, 1915.  
 Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport, 1916.  
 Benjamin H. Cheney,<sup>1</sup> New Haven, 1917.  
 Christian Quien,<sup>2</sup> 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Beers, past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.

## DELAWARE (23).

[Organized Jan. 14, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 259; Posts, 16.]

Department commander.....	Richard H. Williams <sup>1</sup> .....	Marshalltown.
Senior vice department commander....	David R. Meyers <sup>1</sup> .....	Wilmington.
Junior vice department commander...	Richard D. Short.....	Harrington.
Assistant adjutant general.....	J. S. Litzenberg <sup>1</sup> .....	Wilmington.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Wesley E. Boulden,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington.  
 James H. Porter,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington.

## ALTERNATES.

Nathaniel Henderson, Wilmington.  
 William A. Truitt, Milford.



## DELAWARE—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. S. McNair,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 John Wainwright,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Daniel Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 C. M. Carey,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 J. S. Litzenberg,<sup>4</sup> Wilmington, 1885.  
 John M. Dunn,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 John E. Mowbrey, Dover, 1887.  
 R. G. Buckingham, Newark, 1888.  
 Peter B. Ayars,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Samuel Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. J. Woodman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 George W. Stradley, Laurel, 1892.  
 B. D. Bogia, Wilmington, 1893.  
 J. E. Vantine,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Edwin F. Wood, Dover, 1895.  
 William B. Norton,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 J. S. Bradley,<sup>3</sup> 1897.  
 Robert Liddell,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1898.  
 William H. Moystin,<sup>2</sup> 1899.

Wm. A. Reilly, Wilmington, 1900.  
 J. W. Worrall,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 John C. Garner,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Wm. G. Baugh,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1903.  
 Wm. Kelley, Jr.,<sup>1</sup> Smyrna, 1904.  
 William Tharp,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Ira Lunt,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Jesse Hellings,<sup>1</sup> Dover, 1907.  
 H. W. Perkins, Wilmington, 1908.  
 Wm. H. Blake, Wilmington, 1909.  
 George C. Morton, Wilmington, 1910.  
 Wm. Mendenhall, Wilmington, 1911.  
 Jesse K. Baylis, Wilmington, 1912.  
 J. Rankin Armstrong, Newark, 1913.  
 J. T. Reihms,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 John P. Riley, Wilmington, 1915.  
 S. Sheward Johnson, Wilmington, 1916.  
 J. T. Alexander,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1917.  
 Orrin J. Cook, Lincoln, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Litzenberg, assistant adjutant general.

## FLORIDA (36).

[Organized June 19, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 634; Posts, 21.]

Department commander.....	Theodore W. B. Brake <sup>1</sup> ...	St. Augustine.
Senior vice department commander.....	George E. Field.....	White House.
Junior vice department commander.....	W. O. White <sup>1</sup> .....	St. Petersburg.
Assistant adjutant general.....	George H. Spencer.....	St. Augustine.
Acting assistant adjutant general.....	M. W. Monroe <sup>1</sup> .....	Dade City.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

H. J. Penrod,<sup>1</sup> St. Petersburg.  
 M. H. Porter,<sup>1</sup> Kissimmee.  
 Peter Wright,<sup>1</sup> St. Petersburg.

## ALTERNATES.

I. A. Spencer, St. Petersburg.  
 J. H. Stevens, Jacksonville.  
 G. W. Marston, Zephyrhills.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

T. S. Wilmarth, Jacksonville, 1884-85.  
 G. H. Norton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 E. W. Henck, Plainfield, N. J., 1887.  
 William James,<sup>1 3</sup> Jacksonville, 1888.  
 J. W. V. R. Plummer,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Fred S. Goodrich,<sup>4</sup> 1890.  
 John H. Welsh,<sup>4</sup> 1891.  
 J. De V. Hazzard, Eustis, 1892.  
 Geo. F. Foote, Washington, D. C., 1893.  
 David L. Way,<sup>1</sup> Jacksonville, 1894.  
 P. E. McMurray,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 L. Y. Jenness,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Charles M. Ellis, Jacksonville, 1897.  
 Geo. H. Packwood, Tampa, 1898.  
 Edwin Kirby,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John S. Fairhead,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 F. G. Parcell,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 S. Herbert Lancy,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 E. V. Richards,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from New Jersey.

J. F. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Henry Marcotte, St. Augustine, 1904.  
 T. J. Owen,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 William E. Emerson,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Samuel W. Fox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 S. R. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James Skinner,<sup>1</sup> St. Augustine, 1909.  
 James O. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Joseph Bumby,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 William P. Lynch, St. Cloud, 1912.  
 William S. Siggins,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Lyman Leighton, St. Petersburg, 1914.  
 James F. Bullard, National Soldiers'  
 Home, Tennessee, 1915.  
 W. H. Melrath,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 John A. Wallace, Tampa, 1917.  
 H. B. Jeffries,<sup>1</sup> Zephyrhills, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade James, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.

GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA (41).

[Organized Jan. 25, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 125; Posts, 7.]

Department commander.....	J. M. Mosher <sup>1</sup> .....	Fitzgerald.
Senior vice department commander.....	J. B. Werner <sup>1</sup> .....	Fitzgerald.
Junior vice department commander.....	C. H. Cox <sup>1</sup> .....	Atlanta.
Assistant adjutant general.....	G. E. Whitman <sup>1</sup> .....	Fitzgerald.

REPRESENTATIVE.

J. H. Rinard, <sup>1</sup> Tallapoosa.

ALTERNATE.

B. F. Pim, Atlanta.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	C. F. Fairbanks, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
David Porter, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	W. H. Kimball, Tallapoosa, 1906.
A. E. Sholes, <sup>1</sup> Flushing, N. Y., 1891.	O. P. Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Thomas F. Gleason, <sup>2</sup> 1892-93.	Leander Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
C. T. Watson, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Charles R. Haskins, Atlanta, 1909.
L. B. Nelson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	S. C. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
John L. Clem, <sup>1 3</sup> Washington, D. C., 1896.	F. A. Jones, <sup>1</sup> Tallapoosa, 1911.
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	C. H. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
James O. Ladd, Summerville, S. C., 1898.	P. Q. Stoner, <sup>1</sup> St. George, 1913.
Alex Mattison, <sup>1</sup> Decatur, 1899.	I. C. Wade, <sup>1</sup> Cornelia, 1914.
S. A. Darnell, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	W. B. Todd, National Soldiers' Home,
Lewis Thayer, <sup>1</sup> Fitzgerald, 1901.	Tennessee, 1915.
W. M. Scott, <sup>1 4</sup> Atlanta, 1902.	R. S. Smith, <sup>1</sup> Tallapoosa, 1916.
F. D. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	G. E. Whitman, <sup>1 5</sup> Fitzgerald, 1917.
J. A. Commerford, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	W. P. Randall, Atlanta, 1918.
Richard Bond, <sup>2</sup> 1879, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.	
J. W. Scully, <sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Louisiana and Mississippi.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Clem, past senior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Scott, national council of administration.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Whitman, assistant adjutant general.

IDAHO (39).

[Organized Jan. 11, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 398; Posts, 18.]

Department commander.....	Silas Wilson <sup>1</sup> .....	Nampa.
Senior vice department commander.....	J. B. Parsons <sup>1</sup> .....	Pocatello.
Junior vice department commander.....	J. M. Bice.....	Twin Falls
Assistant adjutant general.....	C. F. Drake <sup>1</sup> .....	Boise.

REPRESENTATIVES.

J. B. Wentley, <sup>1</sup> Boise.  
William Lyman, <sup>1</sup> Rupert.

ALTERNATES.

L. M. Lehew, Boise.  
Frank Gibbon, Pocatello.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. Nye, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	C. F. Drake, <sup>1 4</sup> Weiser, 1904.
A. S. Senter, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George A. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
W. T. Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Alfred Anderson, Boise, 1906.
Judson Spofford, <sup>1</sup> Boise, 1891.	A. M. Rowe, Boise, 1907.
A. O. Ingalls, Murray, 1892.	William K. Jamieson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
R. H. Barton, Moscow, 1893.	Stewart Young, Rathdrum, 1909.
T. J. Groome, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Willard White, Boise, 1910.
D. H. Budlong, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	M. W. Wood, <sup>1</sup> Boise, 1911.
J. L. Fuller, <sup>1</sup> Shoshone, 1896.	James W. Shields, <sup>1</sup> Twin Falls, 1912.
Lindol Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. G. Nettleton, <sup>1</sup> Nampa, 1913.
N. F. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	H. J. Newhouse, Rathdrum, 1914.
S. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	William H. Cable, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Charles A. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	R. H. Barnes, Twin Falls, 1916.
William C. Maxey, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	George F. Kimery, <sup>1 5</sup> Boise, 1917.
George M. Parsons, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	F. T. Page, Weiser, 1918.
E. S. Whittier, <sup>3</sup> 1903.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Drake, assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Kimery, national council of administration.



## ILLINOIS (1).

[Organized Apr. 6, 1866. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 8,380; posts, 364]

Department commander .....	Henry D. Fulton <sup>1</sup> .....	Chicago.
Senior vice department commander.....	B. F. Lee <sup>1</sup> .....	Rockford.
Junior vice department commander.....	E. N. Armstrong <sup>1</sup> .....	Peoria.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Henry C. Cooke <sup>1</sup> .....	Chicago.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John S. Varley, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
W. J. Libberton, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
John E. Andrew, <sup>1</sup> Quincy.  
D. W. Evans, <sup>1</sup> Rockford.  
Willis Hickman, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
O. L. Munger, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
Charles Smith, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
John B. Thomas, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
W. H. Rose, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
G. R. Tucker, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
Hiram M. Pense, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
R. I. Law, <sup>1</sup> Galesburg.  
John Carmichael, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
Richard H. Peterson, <sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
A. F. Alden, Elgin.  
J. C. Deegan, <sup>1</sup> Ransom.  
C. A. Lum, <sup>1</sup> Morrison.  
F. C. Cunningham, Aledo.  
Thomas Chaddick, <sup>1</sup> Quincy.  
James Kinney, <sup>1</sup> Toulon.  
Harry Lawrence, <sup>1</sup> Lexington.  
F. C. Sammons, <sup>1</sup> Danville.  
Daniel B. Culp, <sup>1</sup> Decatur.  
L. Goheen, <sup>1</sup> Jacksonville.  
John Underlanger, sr., <sup>1</sup> Springfield.  
L. W. Noyes, East St. Louis.  
D. C. Zimmerman, <sup>1</sup> Vandalia.  
James M. Taylor, <sup>1</sup> Taylorville.  
E. J. Ingersoll, <sup>1</sup> Carbondale.

## ALTERNATES.

E. P. Bartlett, <sup>1</sup> Springfield.  
A. T. Hays, Lincoln.  
W. M. Hanna, Aurora.  
S. A. Campbell, Mattoon.  
James R. Thacker, Chicago.  
E. J. Fassett, Chicago.  
W. F. Sargent, Chicago.  
W. D. Broomhead, Chicago.  
J. L. Dannenhower, Chicago.  
R. Adams, Chicago.  
H. J. Zimmer, Chicago.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

John Martin, Chicago.  
Addison Jones, Chicago.  
M. L. Rohrer, Evanston.  
T. E. Ryan, St. Charles.  
William Andrews, Rockford.  
W. E. Mapes, Stockton.  
R. W. Wolever, Moline.  
Wm. Harbaugh, Geneseo.  
Philip Smith, Peoria.  
Henry Gebhart, Bloomington.  
August Harmoning, Danville.  
Walter E. Price, Champaign.  
S. O. Burr, Jacksonville.  
R. W. Ripley, Litchfield.  
Levi Silliman, Toulon.  
Robert Spain, Vandalia.  
J. E. Johnson, Lexington.  
James H. Fitch, Cobden.  
B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1866.  
John M. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1866-1868.  
Charles E. Jippincott, <sup>2</sup> 1871.  
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> 1873.  
H. Hilliard, <sup>2</sup> 1874-1876.  
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1877.  
T. B. Coulter, Canon City, Colo., 1878.  
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> 1879-80.  
J. W. Burst, <sup>2</sup> 1881.  
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> 1882.  
Samuel A. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1883.  
L. T. Dickason, <sup>2</sup> 1884.  
W. W. Berry, <sup>2</sup> 1885.  
Philip Sidney Post, <sup>2</sup> 1886.  
A. C. Sweetser, <sup>2</sup> 1887.  
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> 1888.  
James S. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1889.  
William L. Distin, <sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Horace S. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1891.  
Edwin Harlan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.  
Edward A. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1893.  
H. H. McDowell, <sup>2</sup> 1894.  
William H. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William G. Cochrane, Sullivan, 1896.  
Albert L. Schimpff, <sup>2</sup> 1897.  
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1898.  
John B. Inman, <sup>1 3</sup> Springfield, 1899.  
Joel M. Longnecker, <sup>2</sup> 1900.  
N. B. Thistlewood, <sup>2</sup> 1901.  
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> 1902.  
Benson Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1903.  
Robert Mann Woods, <sup>2</sup> 1904.  
John C. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1905.  
Edwin H. Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1906.  
A. C. Mathews, <sup>2</sup> 1907.

Joseph Rosenbaum, <sup>2</sup> 1908.  
Philip C. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1909.  
James A. Connolly, <sup>2</sup> 1910.  
C. C. Duffy, Ottawa, 1911.  
Thomas H. Gault, <sup>2</sup> 1912.  
J. H. Crowder, <sup>1</sup> Bethany, 1913.  
Samuel Fallows, <sup>1</sup> Chicago, 1914.  
John M. Snyder, Canton, 1915.  
W. F. Calhoun, <sup>1</sup> Decatur, 1916.  
C. S. Bentley, LaGrange, 1917.  
Joseph W. Fifer, Bloomington, 1918.

Milton Stewart, <sup>1</sup> Chicago, 1885, transferred from Kansas.  
Charles M. Travis, <sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Indiana.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Inman, national council of administration.

## INDIANA (20).

[Organized Aug. 20, 1866. Reorganized Oct. 3, 1879. Membership Dec. 31, 1918, 6,620; Posts, 240.]

Department commander.....	William F. Medsker <sup>1</sup> .....	Cambridge City.
Senior vice department commander.....	Frank E. Tousley <sup>1</sup> .....	Elkhart.
Junior vice department commander.....	Z. T. Landers.....	Indianapolis.
Assistant adjutant-general.....	Albert J. Ball <sup>1</sup> .....	Indianapolis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. R. Fesler,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 C. C. Schreeder,<sup>1</sup> Evansville.  
 H. H. Williams,<sup>1</sup> Evansville.  
 Charles W. Shaw,<sup>1</sup> Bloomington.  
 Louis Bir,<sup>1</sup> New Albany.  
 W. F. Kendall,<sup>1</sup> Columbus.  
 H. G. Short,<sup>1</sup> Greensburg.  
 James W. Beadle,<sup>1</sup> Rockville.  
 C. J. Limpus,<sup>1</sup> Shelbyville.  
 R. H. Tyner,<sup>1</sup> New Castle.  
 F. M. Hay,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 W. D. Wilson,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 G. W. H. Kemper,<sup>1</sup> Muncie.  
 A. T. Place,<sup>1</sup> Pennville.  
 T. R. Caldwell,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon.  
 William Kemp,<sup>1</sup> Frankfort.  
 W. C. Wells,<sup>1</sup> Valparaiso.  
 L. C. Ross, Lafayette.  
 Alexander Hess,<sup>1</sup> Wabash.  
 Adam Foust,<sup>1</sup> Warren.  
 Joseph Corlett,<sup>1</sup> Fort Wayne.  
 W. C. Weir,<sup>1</sup> La Porte.  
 Cyrus Seiler,<sup>1</sup> Elkhart.

## ALTERNATES.

James Leggett, Indianapolis.  
 George D. Martin, Petersburg.  
 E. J. Harris, Petersburg.  
 William Brewer, Worthington.  
 Edmond Caye, New Albany.  
 Watson Bostic, Greensburg.  
 C. Hurley, Columbus.  
 W. M. Hess, Danville.  
 J. P. Wicker, Shelbyville.  
 Theo. McClellan, Richmond.  
 A. S. Crimans, Indianapolis.  
 C. W. Chappel, Indianapolis.  
 A. Green, Union City.  
 D. F. Mustard, Anderson.  
 A. A. Covalt, Greentown.  
 D. Shafer, Kokomo.  
 Louis Ladauer,<sup>1</sup> Valparaiso.  
 George Bringham, Otterbein.  
 Jasper D. Gannett, Marion.  
 John Q. Symons, Galveston.  
 D. L. Beaver, Fort Wayne.  
 J. S. Hussey, Argos.  
 Henry Graham, Warsaw.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Robert S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 Nathan Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Robert S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Oliver M. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Louis Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Jonathan B. Hager,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Samuel E. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William W. Dudley,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James R. Carnahan,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Edwin Nicar, South Bend, 1884.  
 David N. Foster,<sup>1</sup> Fort Wayne, 1885.  
 Thomas W. Bennett,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Ira J. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Argus D. Vanosdol, Madison, 1888.  
 Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Gil R. Stormont,<sup>1</sup> Princeton, 1890.  
 Ivan N. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Joseph B. Cheadle,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 James T. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Albert O. Marsh,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Harvey B. Shively,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Henry M. Caylor, Noblesville, 1896.  
 James S. Dodge, Elkhart, 1897.

Daniel Ryan,<sup>1</sup> Carthage, 1898.  
 William L. Dunlap,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 David E. Beem,<sup>1</sup> Spencer, 1900.  
 Milton Garrigus,<sup>1 3</sup> Kokomo, 1901.  
 Benjamin Starr,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Geo. W. Grubbs, Martinsville, 1903.  
 Daniel R. Lucas,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Marine D. Tackett,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Edmund R. Brown,<sup>1</sup> Winamac, 1906.  
 Wm. A. Ketcham,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, 1907.  
 John D. Alexander,<sup>1</sup> Springville, 1908.  
 Orlando A. Somers,<sup>14</sup> Kokomo, 1909.  
 Alex. P. Asbury,<sup>1</sup> Farmsburg, 1910.  
 Dan Waugh, Tipton, 1911.  
 Frank Swigart,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 W. E. Gorsuch,<sup>1</sup> South Bend, 1912.  
 Daniel W. Comstock,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 A. B. Crampton, Marion, 1914.  
 Lewis King,<sup>1</sup> Vernon, 1915.  
 V. V. Williams, Bedford, 1916.  
 Samuel M. Hench,<sup>1</sup> Ft. Wayne, 1917.  
 Alonzo Murphy,<sup>1</sup> Greensburg, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Carrigus, national council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Somers, past commander in chief.



IOWA (19).

[Organized Sept. 26, 1866. Reorganized Jan. 23, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 6,201; Posts, 281.]

Department commander.....	A G. Beatty <sup>1</sup> .....	Independence.
Senior vice department commander.....	Frank G. Clark <sup>1</sup> .....	Cedar Rapids.
Junior vice department commander.....	W. H. Easterly.....	Clinton.
Assistant adjutant general.....	George A. Newman <sup>1</sup> .....	Des Moines.

REPRESENTATIVES.

ALTERNATES.

R. L. Chase,<sup>1</sup> Des Moines.  
D. A. Boyer,<sup>1</sup> Washington.  
W. F. Gilbert, Burlington.  
T. W. Wheeler, Clinton.  
J. H. Carl,<sup>1</sup> Muscatine.  
William Savage,<sup>1</sup> Hampton.  
William Blades,<sup>1</sup> Dubuque.  
L. L. Cadwell,<sup>1</sup> Decorah.  
J. F. Troutner,<sup>1</sup> Charles City.  
John McAllister, Cedar Rapids.  
R. H. Ryan,<sup>1</sup> Tama.  
A. H. Rodgers,<sup>1</sup> Oskaloosa.  
T. D. Doke, Bloomfield.  
O. W. Lowery,<sup>1</sup> Des Moines.  
C. H. Gross,<sup>1</sup> Des Moines.  
J. J. Duncan,<sup>1</sup> Mt. Ayr.  
Asa Callahan, Chariton.  
L. W. Tulleys,<sup>1</sup> Council Bluffs.  
W. T. McKee,<sup>1</sup> Murray.  
S. C. Spear,<sup>1</sup> Algona.  
Scott Barber,<sup>1</sup> Scranton.  
E. Boyer,<sup>1</sup> Spencer.

J. O. Stewart,<sup>1</sup> Cedar Rapids.  
S. M. Gaston, Keokuk.  
J. W. Schafer, Fairfield.  
S. E. Walcott,<sup>1</sup> Davenport.  
J. H. Lindsay, Marengo.  
Robert Stewart, Iowa Falls.  
C. B. Weston, Greene.  
R. R. Rose, Cresco.  
F. R. Shope, Nashua.  
George W. Davis, Lisbon.  
George E. Beatty, Tipton.  
J. R. Morris, Deep River.  
T. R. Bickley,<sup>1</sup> Ottumwa.  
C. P. Riffle, Des Moines.  
S. Oxenreider, Lacona.  
W. E. Morrow, Osceola.  
Lewis Godfrey, Creston.  
J. J. C. Weldon, Barnes.  
H. T. Wakefield, Greenfield.  
J. W. Huntington, Jefferson.  
J. E. Morse.  
W. S. C. King, Sioux City.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Parrott,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
A. A. Perkins,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
H. E. Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
W. F. Conrad,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
Peter V. Cary, Des Moines, 1881.  
George B. Hogin,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
John B. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
E. G. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
W. R. Manning,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
W. A. McHenry, Denison, 1886.  
J. M. Tuttle,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
E. A. Consigny,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
Charles H. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Mason P. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Charles L. Davidson,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
J. J. Steadman,<sup>3</sup> Hollywood, Calif., 1892.  
Phil. Schaller,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
Geo. A. Newman,<sup>1 4</sup> Des Moines, 1894.  
J. K. P. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
Josiah Givin,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
A. H. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1897.

R. W. Tirrell, Manchester, 1898.  
C. F. Bailey, Barney, N. D., 1899.  
M. B. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
George Metzger, Davenport, 1901.  
John Lindt,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
L. B. Raymond,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
R. T. St. John, Riceville, 1904.  
S. H. Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
Charles A. Clarke,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
David J. Palmer,<sup>1 5</sup> Washington, 1907.  
J. C. Milliman, Logan, 1908.  
M. McDonald, Bayard, 1909.  
H. A. Dyer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
Lot Abraham, Mt. Pleasant, 1911.  
J. D. Brown, Leon, 1912.  
J. W. Willett,<sup>1 6</sup> Tama, 1913.  
Byron C. Ward, Des Moines, 1914.  
John E. Merry,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
John H. Mills,<sup>1</sup> Redfield, 1916.  
J. L. Farrington,<sup>1</sup> Iowa Falls, 1917.  
E. J. C. Bealer,<sup>1</sup> Cedar Rapids, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Steadman. See California and Nevada.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Newman, assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Palmer, past commander in chief.  
<sup>6</sup> Comrade Willett, national council of administration.

## KANSAS (22).

[Organized Dec. 7, 1866. Reorganized Mar. 16, 1880. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 5,664; Posts, 244.]

Department commander.....	Theodore Gardner <sup>1</sup> .....	Lawrence.
Senior vice department commander.....	R. H. McWhorter <sup>1</sup> .....	Coffeyville.
Junior vice department commander.....	J. H. McKinley.....	Erie.
Assistant adjutant general.....	W. W. Denison <sup>1</sup> .....	Topeka.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

D. L. Sweeney, <sup>1</sup> Wichita.  
 J. A. Arment, <sup>1</sup> Dodge City.  
 E. L. Drake, Lawrence.  
 M. Hoffmier, <sup>1</sup> Hays.  
 J. W. Priddy, Topeka.  
 James S. Phebus, <sup>1</sup> National Military Home.  
 George P. Washburn, <sup>1</sup> Ottawa.  
 E. S. Kirkpatrick, <sup>1</sup> Wellsville.  
 J. B. Stahl, Arkansas City.  
 Wm. Thompson, <sup>1</sup> Independence.  
 J. H. Harvey, <sup>1</sup> Emporia.  
 G. L. Horton, <sup>1</sup> Harveyville.  
 Frank Close, <sup>1</sup> Abilene.  
 E. D. Haney, <sup>1</sup> Courtland.  
 Wesley Harbison, <sup>1</sup> Jewell City.  
 D. B. Clum, Hays.  
 E. Richardson, <sup>1</sup> Fort Dodge.  
 W. H. Mitchell, <sup>1</sup> Hutchinson.  
 G. W. Kanavel, <sup>1</sup> Sedgwick.

## ALTERNATES.

W. R. Kesler, <sup>1</sup> Wichita.  
 E. L. Drake, <sup>1</sup> Wichita (delegate).  
 J. B. Stall, <sup>1</sup> Ososne (delegate).  
 George Neal, Topeka.  
 James N. Miller, Wichita.  
 E. Backenstoce, Topeka.  
 M. L. Campbell, National Military Home.  
 George W. Moon, Humboldt.  
 D. T. Nash, Iola.  
 D. B. Clum, <sup>1</sup> Parsons (delegate).  
 C. W. Bailey, Winfield.  
 F. M. Weaver, Admire.  
 Scott Elliott, Lyndon.  
 B. F. Pealer, Salina.  
 M. S. Amos, Manhattan.  
 Wm. W. Nixon, Jewell City.  
 L. N. Wilson, Ness City.  
 J. P. Francis, Nickerson.  
 Charles E. Mull, Wichita.  
 S. M. Spangler, Newton.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John A. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 John C. Carpenter, Chanute, 1868.  
 W. S. Jenkins, <sup>2</sup> 1872-73 (see Missouri).  
 Stephen A. Cobb, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 John Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 J. H. Gilpatrick, <sup>2</sup> 1877-78.  
 J. C. Walkinshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1879-1882.  
 Thomas J. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Homer W. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Milton J. Stewart, <sup>3</sup> Chicago, Ill., 1885.  
 C. J. McDivitt, <sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1887 (see Oklahoma).  
 J. W. Feighan, <sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Henry Booth, <sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Ira F. Collins, <sup>1</sup> Sabetha, 1890.  
 Timothy McCarthy, <sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 A. R. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Bernard Kelley, Topeka, 1893.  
 W. P. Campoell, <sup>1</sup> Wichita, 1894.  
 John P. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 W. C. Whitney, <sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Theo. Botkin, <sup>2</sup> 1897.

D. W. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Oklahoma).  
 O. H. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (see California and Nevada).  
 W. W. Martin, National Military Home, 1900.  
 J. B. Remington, <sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 H. C. Loomis, <sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Abraham W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Charles Harris, Emporia, 1904.  
 P. H. Coney, <sup>1</sup> Topeka, 1905-6.  
 R. A. Campbell, <sup>1</sup> Hutchinson, 1907.  
 W. A. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Joel H. Rickel, Chanute, 1909.  
 Nathan E. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 T. P. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. N. Harrison, Topeka, 1912-13.  
 Ira D. Broughter, <sup>1</sup> Great Bend, 1914.  
 C. A. Meek, <sup>1</sup> Wichita, 1915.  
 R. M. Painter, Meade, 1916.  
 A. C. Pierce, <sup>1</sup> Junction City, 1917.  
 W. W. Smith, <sup>1</sup> Topeka, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Stewart. See Illinois.



KENTUCKY (27).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 404; Posts, 52].

Department commander.....	Andrew Offutt.....	Lebanon.
Senior vice department commander.....	M. H. Davidson <sup>1</sup> .....	Louisville.
Junior vice department commander.....	Green B. Miller.....	Richmond
Assistant adjutant general.....	John Barr <sup>1</sup> .....	Lebanon.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Jacob Seibert, <sup>1</sup> Louisville.	Stephen Graves, Campbellsville.
Jesse H. Green, <sup>1</sup> Bellevue.	E. F. Tucker, Greensburg.
Wm. G. Stewart, <sup>1</sup> Frankfort.	Charles Ashby, Madisonville.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Michie, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	L. M. Drye, <sup>1</sup> Bradfordsville, 1900.
W. H. Harton, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	John Blaes, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
George W. Northup, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	T. F. Beyland, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
T. Z. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	W. G. Foree, Indianapolis, Ind., 1903.
William Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	William T. Bausmith, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
O. A. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Bernard Mathews, <sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1905.
Vincent Boreing, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George T. Grinstead, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Le Vant Dodge, <sup>1</sup> <sup>4</sup> Berea, 1907-8.
Samuel G. Hillis, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	R. B. Hewetson, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Edward H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	S. D. Van Pelt, <sup>1</sup> Danville, 1910.
T. E. Livezey, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	C. C. Degman, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Daniel O'Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John Barr, <sup>1</sup> <sup>5</sup> Lebanon, 1912.
R. M. Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. J. L. Hughes, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Americus Whedon, <sup>1</sup> <sup>3</sup> Washington, D. C., 1896.	Edwin Farley, <sup>1</sup> Paducah, 1914.
Andrew J. Tharp, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	John T. Gunn, Lexington, 1915.
John W. Hammond, <sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1898.	Sam D. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Joseph H. Browning, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	James R. Howard, Lexington, 1917.
	T. A. Casey, <sup>1</sup> Dayton, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Whedon, national council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Dodge, past junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Barr, assistant adjutant general.

LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI (35).

[Organized as the Department of the Gulf May 15, 1884. Changed to Louisiana and Mississippi June 13, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 211; Posts, 18.]

Department commander.....	E. K. Russ <sup>3</sup> .....	New Orleans, La.
Senior vice department commander.....	H. N. Singleton.....	Vicksburg, Miss.
Junior vice department commander.....	J. S. Davidson.....	New Orleans, La.
Assistant adjutant general.....	O. Pilman.....	New Orleans, La.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Henry Anderson, <sup>1</sup> Edwards, Miss.	Basile Ulgere, New Orleans, La.
John Pierce, <sup>1</sup> New Orleans, La.	Daniel Freeman, New Orleans, La.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William Roy, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Charles W. Keeting, <sup>2</sup> 1902-1904.
J. W. Scully, <sup>2</sup> 1885 (see Georgia and South Carolina).	J. S. Davidson, <sup>4</sup> New Orleans, 1905.
A. S. Badger, <sup>2</sup> 1886-1892.	P. H. Boyle, <sup>2</sup> 1906-7.
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	James Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Charles W. Keeting, <sup>2</sup> 1894-1899.	J. A. Brookshire, Beaumont, Tex.
F. C. Antoine, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	E. K. Russ, <sup>3</sup> New Orleans, 1910-1915.
Paul Bruce, <sup>1</sup> New Orleans, 1901.	E. T. Gipson, <sup>1</sup> New Orleans, 1916-1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Russ, past junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Davidson, junior vice department commander.

## MAINE (9).

[Organized Jan. 10, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 2,016; posts, 110.]

Department commander.....	George W. Goulding.....	Oakland.
Senior vice department commander.....	Henry E. Merriam.....	Gardiner.
Junior vice department commander.....	William A. Miller.....	Auburn.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Fred A. Motley.....	Portland.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Edward A. Butler, Rockland.  
 James S. Wood,<sup>1</sup> Biddeford.  
 Cyrus T. Wardwell, Oxford.  
 George W. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Yarmouth.  
 C. E. Nason, Gray.  
 T. M. Ayer,<sup>1</sup> Newcastle.  
 Charles E. Crowell, Lewiston.  
 Patrick Hayes, National Soldiers' Home.

## ALTERNATES.

John Monroe,<sup>1</sup> Mechanics Falls.  
 A. E. Ellis, Woodfords.  
 S. C. Hastings, Sidney.  
 William Sargent, Rumford.  
 Franklin Maxim, South Paris.  
 A. H. Pratt, Turner.  
 N. W. White,<sup>1</sup> Augusta.  
 Chas. W. Skillings, Portland.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George L. Beal,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 Charles P. Mattocks,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Daniel White,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Selden Connor,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 Nelson Howard,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 John D. Myrick,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Augustus C. Hamlin,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Winsor B. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Isaac S. Bangs,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William G. Haskell,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Augustus B. Farnham,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Elijah M. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Benjamin Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 James A. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Samuel W. Lane,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Richard K. Gatley,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Horace H. Burbank,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Franklin M. Drew, Lewiston, 1889.  
 John D. Anderson, Gray, 1890.  
 Samuel D. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Isaac Dyer,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wainwright Cushing,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. Wesley Gilman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 William H. Green,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

Lorenzo D. Carver,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Leroy T. Carleton, Winthrop, 1897.  
 Charles A. Southard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Frederick Robie,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Seth T. Snipe,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 William C. Clayton, Bangor, 1901.  
 James L. Merrick,<sup>1</sup> Waterville, 1902.  
 Joshua L. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Edwin C. Milliken,<sup>3</sup> Portland, 1904.  
 Henry O. Perry,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Frederick S. Walls, Vinal Haven, 1906.  
 Frank F. Goss,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Woodbury K. Dana, Westbrook, 1908.  
 Augustus W. McCausland,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 John W. Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Edwin Riley,<sup>1</sup> Livermore Falls, 1911.  
 William H. Holston, Cumberland Mills,  
 1912.  
 John F. Lamb,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Thomas S. Benson, Sidney, 1914.  
 Simon S. Andrews, Biddeford, 1915.  
 Tobias L. Eastman, Freeburg, 1916.  
 John Q. Adams, Houlton, 1917.  
 Fred A. Motley,<sup>1</sup> <sup>4</sup> Portland, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Milliken, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Motley, assistant adjutant general.

## MARYLAND (16).

[Organized Jan. 8, 1868. Reorganized June 9, 1876. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 882; Posts, 46.]

Department Commander.....	George T. Leech <sup>1</sup> .....	Indian Head.
Senior vice department commander.....	George T. Boutelle <sup>1</sup> .....	Baltimore.
Junior vice department commander.....	Joshua Thomas <sup>1</sup> .....	Hagerstown.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Robert C. Sunstrom <sup>1</sup> .....	Baltimore.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Henry Ewalt,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 John C. Erdman,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 James T. Mitchell,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 Jacob Tucker,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.

## ALTERNATES.

W. O. Saville, Baltimore.  
 Chas. R. Coleman, Baltimore.  
 A. G. Alford, Baltimore.



## MARYLAND—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Andrew W. Dennison,<sup>2</sup> 1867-69.  
 E. Y. Goldsborough,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Edward T. Daneker, Baltimore, 1871.  
 Adam E. King,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 Erastus B. Tyler,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
 William E. Griffith,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1879.  
 William E. W. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 Graham Dukehart, Baltimore, 1882.  
 John Suter,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frank M. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John W. Horn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 George W. F. Vernon, Baltimore, 1886.  
 Henry P. Underhill,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Theodore F. Lang,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George F. Wheeler,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1889.  
 George R. Graham,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Joseph C. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Wallace A. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Frank Nolen,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Myron L. Rose,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Oliver A. Horner,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 A. S. Cooper,<sup>2</sup> 1896.

George W. Johnson,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David L. Stanton,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1898.  
 Lewis M. Zimmerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John R. King,<sup>1 3</sup> Baltimore, 1900.  
 John G. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 John W. Worth,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 William Stahl,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James Campbell, Baltimore, 1904.  
 Richard N. Bowerman, Baltimore, 1905.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>1</sup> Upperco, 1906.  
 Fred C. Tarr,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Robert C. Sunstrom,<sup>4</sup> Baltimore, 1908.  
 Benjamin F. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 William J. Vannort,<sup>1</sup> Chestertown, 1910.  
 John T. Holmes,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1911.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>5</sup> Upperco, 1912.  
 Charles N. Emich, Baltimore, 1913.  
 Albert K. Young,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1914.  
 Joseph Brooks, Baltimore, 1915.  
 James E. Van Sant, Ellicott City, 1916.  
 E. Walter Giles, Baltimore, 1917-18.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade King, past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Sunstrom, assistant adjutant general.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Prechtel, department commander, 1906.

## MASSACHUSETTS (7).

[Organized May 7, 1867. Membership Dec. 31, 1918, 6,597. Posts, 197.]

Department commander.....	George W. Wilder <sup>1</sup> .....	Boston.
Senior vice department commander.....	Horace Goodwin.....	Westfield.
Junior vice department commander.....	Edwin F. Morrill <sup>1</sup> .....	Everett.
Assistant adjutant general .....	Philip A. Nordell <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Boston.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

William H. H. Howe,<sup>1</sup> Cambridge.  
 George E. Tracy,<sup>1</sup> Wareham.  
 John J. Ryder, Buzzards Bay.  
 Minot A. Tower, Brockton.  
 George W. Pratt, Stoughton.  
 George A. J. Colgan,<sup>1</sup> Dorchester.  
 Frank H. Prescott, Revere.  
 William J. Hargraves,<sup>1</sup> West Roxbury.  
 Thomas H. Felter,<sup>1</sup> Lynn.  
 Warren E. Pinkham,<sup>1</sup> Haverhill.  
 Orlando F. Hatch,<sup>1</sup> Newburyport.  
 J. Frank Dalton, Salem.  
 Sylvester C. Frost, Belmont.  
 A. Otis Chamberlain,<sup>1</sup> Cambridge.  
 George Rouillard,<sup>1</sup> Beachmont.  
 George E. Worthen, Lowell.  
 Charles H. Hildreth,<sup>1</sup> Fitchburg.  
 Charles E. Morey,<sup>1</sup> Worcester.  
 Alvin Holmes,<sup>1</sup> Leominster.  
 E. S. Witherell, Springfield.  
 William R. Stocking,<sup>1</sup> Williamstown.  
 John P. Thompson,<sup>1</sup> Northampton.  
 John Gilbert, Fall River.

## ALTERNATES.

Augustus Lovejoy, Ayer.  
 T. T. Hopkins, Wareham.  
 George E. Teele, North Falmouth.  
 Edward Mottau, Brockton.  
 George L. Newton, East Weymouth.  
 C. Bradford Holmes,<sup>1</sup> Revere.  
 James F. Flynn <sup>1</sup> Roxbury.  
 Walter E. Swan,<sup>1</sup> Dorchester.  
 John H. Pousland, Amesbury.  
 John J. Byrne,<sup>1</sup> Lynn.  
 Martin L. Stover, Haverhill.  
 Charles W. Bamford, Ipswich.  
 John Flynn, Lowell.  
 Frank J. O'Reilly,<sup>1</sup> Cambridge.  
 Charles P. Cox,<sup>1</sup> Cambridge.  
 John Flood,<sup>1</sup> Newton.  
 Charles S. Houghton, Leominster.  
 Leonard B. Miles, Fitchburg.  
 George W. Corey, Southbridge.  
 W. H. Abbott,<sup>1</sup> Holyoke.  
 O. W. Prouty, Northampton.  
 A. L. Marshall, Pittsfield.  
 John H. Lawrence, New Bedford.



## MASSACHUSETTS—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Austin S. Cushman,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 A. B. R. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Frances A. Osborn,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 James L. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 William Cogswell,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 Henry R. Sibley,<sup>4</sup> 1872.  
 A. B. Underwood,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 John W. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 George S. Merrill,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Horace Binney Sargent,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
 John G. B. Adams,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 John A. Hawes,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 George W. Creasey,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 George H. Patch,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 George S. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 John D. Billings, Allston, 1884.  
 John W. Hersey,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Richard F. Tobin,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Charles D. Nash,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Myron P. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George L. Goodale,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George H. Innis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Arthur A. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 James K. Churchill,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Eli W. Hall, Lynn, 1893.

Wilfred A. Wetherbee,<sup>1</sup> Newton, 1894.  
 Joseph W. Thayer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 William P. Derby,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John M. Deane,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William H. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John E. Gilman,<sup>5</sup> Roxbury, 1899.  
 Peter D. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Silas A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Wilmon A. Blackmar,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Dwight O. Judd,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Lucius Field,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James H. Wolff,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 J. Payson Bradley, Boston, 1906.  
 D. H. L. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Alfred S. Roe,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John L. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 J. Willard Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).  
 Granville C. Fiske,<sup>1</sup> Ashland, 1910-11.  
 George A. Hosley,<sup>1</sup> Chester, N. H., 1912.  
 Thomas J. Ames, Leominster, 1913.  
 John M. Woods, Somerville, 1914.  
 Alfred H. Knowles, Arlington, 1915.  
 Frances E. Mole,<sup>1 6</sup> Adams, 1916.  
 Daniel E. Denny, Worcester, 1917.  
 Edwin P. Stanley, Manchester, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Nordell, chaplain in chief.<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Gilman, past commander in chief.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Mole, national council of administration.

## MICHIGAN (18).

[Organized May 6, 1868. Reorganized Jan. 22, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 5,115; Posts, 238.]

Department commander.....	Edwin F. Lamb <sup>1</sup> .....	Detroit.
Senior vice department commander....	George H. Keating.....	Bay City.
Junior vice department commander....	William G. Miner <sup>1</sup> .....	Portland.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Henry Spaulding <sup>1</sup> .....	Lansing.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. R. Stephenson,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.  
 A. L. Sawyer,<sup>1</sup> Detroit.  
 Frank L. Manning,<sup>1</sup> Jackson.  
 J. J. Holmes, Eaton Rapids.  
 John Seel,<sup>1</sup> Benton Harbor.  
 Abraham Eddy,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.  
 John Davidson,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
 Spencer H. Blakeley,<sup>1</sup> Bad Axe.  
 William McNitt,<sup>1</sup> Saginaw.  
 A. J. Teed,<sup>1</sup> Cadillac.  
 Hiram Russell,<sup>1</sup> Bay City.  
 John G. Berry,<sup>1</sup> Vanderbilt.  
 D. C. Spears,<sup>1</sup> Wyandotte.  
 Robert Morris,<sup>1</sup> Detroit.  
 H. A. Chapin,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
 C. C. Phillips,<sup>1</sup> Bangor.  
 A. L. Bryant,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
 Charles B. Andrews,<sup>1</sup> Detroit.

## ALTERNATES.

Albert Dunham, Jackson.  
 S. D. Bailey, Detroit.  
 H. J. Breningstall, Petersburg.  
 J. A. Todd, Kalamazoo.  
 W. A. Preston, St. Joseph.  
 Duane Sweazy, Grand Rapids.  
 S. H. Giles, Pontiac.  
 George J. Dart, Saginaw.  
 Crist Wasseman, Saginaw.  
 N. R. Menold, Thompsonville.  
 Francis Bone, Clare.  
 S. S. Puckett, Petoskey.  
 Court Morse, Marquette.  
 C. A. Bartlett, Detroit.  
 Charles Roach, Bay City.  
 J. H. Powell, Evart.  
 George W. Howe, Port Huron.

## MICHIGAN—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> 1867 (provisional).	Russell R. Pealer, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
William A. Throop, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Ethel M. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
William Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	James Van Kleeck, Bay City, 1901.
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1878-79.	Edward E. Anthony, <sup>1</sup> Negaunee, 1902.
A. T. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	D. B. K. Van Raalte, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Byron R. Pierce, Grand Rapids, 1881-82.	George H. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>1 3</sup> Detroit, 1883.	E. C. Cannon, Evart, 1905.
Rush J. Shank, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Charles D. Long, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	William Jibb, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
John Northwood, New Lothrop, 1886.	Charles E. Foote, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
L. G. Rutherford, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	G. L. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Washington Gardner, <sup>1 4</sup> Albion, 1888.	Jas. M. Greenfield, <sup>1</sup> Flushing, 1909.
Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Montana).	Samuel J. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George W. Stone, <sup>1</sup> Lansing, 1911.
Charles L. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John T. Spillane, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, 1912.
Henry S. Dean, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Frank R. Chase, <sup>1</sup> Smyrna, 1913.
James H. Kidd, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Riley L. Jones, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, 1914.
Louis Kanitz, <sup>1</sup> Muskegon, 1894.	Henry C. Rankin, <sup>2</sup> 1915 (died in office).
S. B. Daboll, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Eli Strong, <sup>1</sup> Kalamazoo, 1915.
William Shakespeare, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	L. H. Ives, <sup>1</sup> Mason, 1916.
Aaron T. Bliss, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	William O. Lec, <sup>1</sup> Port Huron, 1917.
Alex L. Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	David S. Howard, <sup>1</sup> Pontiac, 1918.
E. B. Fenton, <sup>1</sup> past junior vice commander in chief.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Janes, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gardner, past commander in chief.

## MINNESOTA (24).

[Organized Aug. 14, 1867. Reorganized Aug. 17, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 2,254. Posts, 131.]

Department commander.....	J. D. Budd <sup>1</sup> .....	Duluth.
Senior vice department commander....	E. Z. Rasey <sup>1</sup> .....	St James.
Junior vice department commander....	Charles H. Bennett <sup>1</sup> .....	Pipestone.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Orton S. Clark <sup>1</sup> .....	St. Paul.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Frank Curran,<sup>1</sup> Northfield.  
 C. H. Cotton,<sup>1</sup> Chatfield.  
 David Palen,<sup>1</sup> Fulda.  
 M. K. Williams,<sup>1</sup> St. Paul.  
 H. R. Shumway, Minneapolis.  
 C. W. Reed,<sup>1</sup> Staples.  
 G. J. Strang, Alexandria.  
 W. L. Hilliard,<sup>1</sup> Bemidji.  
 Joseph Reese, Monticello.

## ALTERNATES.

T. W. Critchette,<sup>1</sup> Alexandria.  
 H. A. Read, Wasica.  
 M. L. Ashley, Jackson.  
 C. R. Wilkinson, St. Paul.  
 Robert Reed,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis.  
 H. W. Garfield, Wadena.  
 John Kohr, Montivideo.  
 George M. Ross, Fergus Falls.  
 A. McCornack,<sup>1</sup> Monticello.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry G. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Charles D. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
Henry A. Castle, <sup>2</sup> 1872-1875.	L. M. Lange, Cass Lake, 1892.
George H. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	John Day Smith, Minneapolis, 1893.
Adam Marty, St. Paul, 1881-82.	Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>1 3</sup> Minneapolis 1894.
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Ell Torrance, <sup>1 4</sup> Minneapolis, 1895.
Edward C. Babb, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. J. McCardy, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
R. A. Becker, St. Paul, 1885.	E. B. Wood, Long Prairie, 1897.
William Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	E. W. Mortimer, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
Lewis L. Weelock, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	D. B. Searle, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
James H. Ege, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Gideon S. Ives, St. Paul, 1900.
Alphonso Barto, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	William H. Harries, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, 1901.
James Compton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	



## MINNESOTA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Perry Starkweather,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Isaac L. Mahan, St. Paul, 1903.  
 Harrison White, Minneapolis, 1904.  
 C. F. MacDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Levi Longfellow,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, 1906.  
 George A. Whitney,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Marcus W. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Loren W. Collins,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Philip G. Woodward,<sup>1</sup> <sup>5</sup> Anoka, 1910.

J. A. Everett,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 William P. Roberts, Minneapolis, 1912.  
 Charles H. Taylor,<sup>1</sup> Long Prairie, 1913.  
 Charles H. Hopkins,<sup>1</sup> Fairfax, 1914.  
 Watson W. Hall,<sup>1</sup> St. Paul, 1915.  
 Chas. Van Campen,<sup>1</sup> Rochester, 1916.  
 Silas H. Towler,<sup>6</sup> Minneapolis, 1917.  
 Edwin F. Kenrick,<sup>1</sup> St. Paul, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Van Sant, past commander in chief.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Torrance, past commander in chief.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade Woodard, national council of administration.

<sup>6</sup> Comrade Towler, past junior vice commander in chief.

## MISSOURI (25).

[Organized May 16, 1837. Reorganized Apr. 22, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 3,054; posts, 154.]

Department commander.....	W. C. Calland <sup>1</sup> .....	Springfield.
Senior vice department commander.....	E. S. Miner <sup>1</sup> .....	Bethany.
Junior vice department commander.....	A. J. P. Barnes <sup>1</sup> .....	Joplin.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Wilbur F. Henry <sup>1</sup> .....	St. Louis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

James Bair,<sup>1</sup> Springfield (at large).  
 H. T. Bolen,<sup>1</sup> Sedalia.  
 Wm. McCune,<sup>1</sup> Carthage.  
 Oscar Fox,<sup>1</sup> St. Joseph.  
 John Hack,<sup>1</sup> Trenton.  
 G. B. Cunningham,<sup>1</sup> Kirksville.  
 Chas. Gillen,<sup>1</sup> Pierce City.  
 Benj. B. Bolt,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City.  
 H. W. Harrison,<sup>1</sup> Nevada.  
 A. M. Reynolds, St. Joseph.  
 Max Fritz,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis.

## ALTERNATES.

C. A. Morris, Kansas City.  
 Nich. Mathias,<sup>1</sup> Moberly.  
 Franklin Hudson, Kansas City.  
 C. C. Bell, Boonville.  
 A. F. McCray, Cowgill.  
 David Hatfield, St. Joseph.  
 Arnold Bowers, St. Louis.  
 Jacob Hott, California.  
 C. K. Reifsnider, St. Louis.  
 J. W. Root, Galt.  
 Alf. Zartman, Kansas City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Wm. Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 W. F. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Nelson Cole,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 E. E. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Hiram Smith, jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 John E. Phelps,<sup>3, 4</sup> Orting, Wash., 1889.  
 Leo Rassieur,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1890.  
 George W. Martin, Brookfield, 1891.  
 C. W. Whitehead,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Chas. G. Burton,<sup>1</sup> <sup>5</sup> Portland, Oreg., 1893.  
 Louis Grund,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Louis Benecke, Brunswick, 1895.  
 Thomas B. Rodgers,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John P. Platt,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 A. G. Peterson,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John W. Scott, Datona, Fla., 1899.  
 W. F. Henry,<sup>1</sup> <sup>6</sup> St. Louis, 1900.  
 George Hall, Trenton, 1901.

Ira T. Bronson,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 F. M. Sterrett, Troy, Ohio, 1903.  
 Jere T. Dew,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Henry Fairback,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John M. Williams,<sup>1</sup> <sup>7</sup> California, 1906.  
 Thomas D. Kimball, St. Louis, 1907.  
 J. V. Martin, Brookfield, 1908.  
 W. H. Skinner,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Robert N. Denham,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Benjamin Warner, Kansas City, 1911.  
 Charles W. Rubey,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Arthur Dreifus,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 William Lowe,<sup>1</sup> Warrensburg, 1914.  
 James B. Dobyne,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1915.  
 Alex McCandless, Moberly, 1916.  
 Thomas W. Evans,<sup>1</sup> St. Joseph, 1917.  
 Phil. F. Coghlan,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1918.

William S. Jenkins,<sup>2</sup> 1872, transferred from Kansas.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Phelps. See Washington and Alaska.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Rassieur, past commander in chief.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade Burton, past commander in chief.

<sup>6</sup> Comrade Henry, assistant adjutant general.

<sup>7</sup> Comrade Williams, national council of administration.

MONTANA (37).

[Organized Mar. 10, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 281; posts, 14.]

Department commander.....	J. Perry McClain <sup>1</sup> .....	Lo Lo.
Senior vice department commander.....	D. I. Breniman <sup>1</sup> .....	Bozeman.
Junior vice department commander.....	Charles S. Shoemaker.....	Butte
Assistant adjutant general.....	George H. Taylor <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Helena.

REPRESENTATIVES.

ALTERNATES.

C. P. Brinton, <sup>1</sup> Butte.	W. D. Cameron, Chico.
Thomas McGirl, <sup>1</sup> Billings.	Fletcher Van Orsdel, Collins.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thomas P. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Alanson N. Bull, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
Charles S. Warren, Butte, 1886.	J. S. Wisner, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Ela C. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Henry N. Blake, Boston, Mass., 1904.
Julius G. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Wilbur F. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
James E. Galloway, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. J. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Ed. F. Ferris, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	B. N. Beebe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Edwin C. Kinney, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
John L. Sloan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Edwin S. Pease, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Joseph O. Gregg, <sup>4</sup> Columbus, Ohio, 1893.	Robert G. Huston, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Peter R. Dolman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John P. Rohrbaugh, <sup>6</sup> 1911.
Robert E. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. Y. Smith, Bozeman, 1912.
Lester S. Willson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	P. W. Sheehy, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Thaddeus C. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	E. L. Barnes, Akron, Ohio, 1914.
W. H. H. Dickinson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	James R. Goss, <sup>1</sup> Billings, 1915.
C. B. Miller, Somers, 1899.	G. I. Reiche, Columbia Falls, 1916.
P. H. Manchester, <sup>1 5</sup> Escondido, Calif., 1900.	Simon Hauswirth, <sup>1</sup> Butte, 1917.
Frank P. Sterling, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John Marchion, Anaconda, 1918.
Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Michigan.	
J. B. Wolgemuth, <sup>2</sup> 1905, transferred from South Dakota.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Taylor, national council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gregg. See Ohio.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Manchester. See California and Nevada.  
<sup>6</sup> Not now a member of order.

NEBRASKA (17).

[Organized June 11, 1877. Membership, Dec. 31, 1917, 2,456; Posts, 167.]

Department commander.....	Jesse B. Strode <sup>1</sup> .....	Lincoln.
Senior vice department commander.....	T. J. Bender <sup>1</sup> .....	Fairmont.
Junior vice department commander.....	R. E. Cutler <sup>1</sup> .....	York.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Harmon Bross <sup>1</sup> .....	Lincoln.

REPRESENTATIVES.

ALTERNATES.

R. B. Windham, <sup>1</sup> Plattsmouth.	J. M. Mahaffey, Bennett.
O. C. Bell, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln.	Andy Traynor, Omaha.
Addison Wait, <sup>1</sup> Burkett.	N. K. Van Husen, Omaha.
W. J. Blystone, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln.	Charles E. Brown, Grand Island.
John W. Bowen, <sup>1</sup> Scotts Bluff.	J. R. Ratcliff, Central City.
S. P. Howland, <sup>1</sup> Juniata.	T. E. Glass, Lincoln.
H. W. George, <sup>1</sup> Omaha.	D. K. Williams, Republican City.
J. R. McKelvie, Juniata.	Alf. Brown, Palmer.
J. F. Morgan, <sup>1</sup> Alma.	M. Burns, University Place.



## NEBRASKA—Continued

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Paul Vandervoort, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	John E. Evans, North Platte, 1899.
R. H. Wilbur, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	John Reese, <sup>1</sup> Broken Bow, 1900.
James W. Savage, <sup>2</sup> 1879–80.	Robert S. Wilcox, <sup>1</sup> Omaha, 1901.
S. J. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1881–82.	C. F. Steele, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
John C. Bonnell, <sup>3</sup> Logan City, Tex., 1883.	Lee S. Estelle, Omaha, 1903.
Henry E. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Harmon Bross, <sup>1 7</sup> Lincoln, 1904.
A. V. Cole, <sup>4</sup> Long Beach, Calif., 1885.	John Lett, York, 1905.
John M. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	John R. Maxon, Minden, 1906.
Henry C. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Thomas A. Creigh, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
W. C. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Eli A. Barnes, <sup>1</sup> Grand Island, 1908.
J. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).	L. D. Richards, <sup>1</sup> Fremont, 1909.
S. H. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John F. Diener, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. M. Trimble, <sup>1 8</sup> 1911.
Joseph Teeter, <sup>1</sup> McCook, 1891.	M. V. King, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
C. J. Dilworth, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John A. Dempster, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Alonzo H. Church, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	O. H. Durand, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Church Howe, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	George C. Humphrey, <sup>1</sup> Grand Island, 1915.
C. E. Adams, <sup>1 5</sup> Omaha, 1895.	W. H. Stewart, <sup>1</sup> Geneva, 1916.
J. H. Culver, Milford, 1896.	Wilson E. Majors, <sup>1</sup> Peru, 1917.
John A. Ehrhardt, <sup>1 6</sup> Stanton, 1897.	Joseph S. Hoagland, <sup>1</sup> North Platte, 1918.
Thomas J. Majors, <sup>1</sup> Peru, 1898.	
Griff J. Thomas, Harvard, 1879–1881, transferred from Wisconsin.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Cole. See California and Nevada.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Adams, commander in chief.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Ehrhardt, national council of administration.<sup>7</sup> Comrade Bross, assistant adjutant general.<sup>8</sup> Comrade Trimble, adjutant general.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE (12).

[Organized June 30, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 1,107; Posts, 67.]

Department commander.....	Frank W. Wilson <sup>1</sup> .....	Manchester.
Senior vice department commander.....	James H. Hunt.....	Nashua.
Junior vice department commander.....	Arthur Thompson.....	Warner.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Frank Battles <sup>1</sup> .....	Concord.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Hiram G. Sherman,<sup>1</sup> Claremont.  
 Charles H. Estey,<sup>1</sup> Farmington.  
 M. H. Bell, Portsmouth.  
 Andrew Hanon,<sup>1</sup> Berlin.  
 George P. Morrill,<sup>1</sup> Penacook.

## ALTERNATES.

George Rollins, Alton.  
 A. H. Stackpole, Dover.  
 William Blair,<sup>1 3</sup> Berlin.  
 J. N. Patterson,<sup>1</sup> Concord.  
 George Vinica, Penacook.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Matthew T. Betton, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	George Farr, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
William R. Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Otis G. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
Daniel Vaughan, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	A. B. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.
James E. Larkin, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	James F. Grimes, <sup>2</sup> 1889.
Augustus H. Bixby, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Thomas Gogswell, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
William H. Trickey, <sup>1</sup> Tilton, 1872.	Everett B. Huse, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
Timothy W. Challis, <sup>2</sup> 1873–74.	Daniel Hall, Dover, 1892.
Alvin S. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	Frank G. Noyes, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
Charles J. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1876–1878.	David R. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> 1879–80.	Charles E. Buzzell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
Martin A. Haynes, Lakeport, 1881–82.	Lewis W. Aldrich, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> 1883–84.	James Minot, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
Marcus M. Collis, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	A. S. Twitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Horace L. Worchester, Rochester, 1899.  
 David E. Proctor, Wilton, 1900.  
 A. C. Haines,<sup>1</sup> Newmarket, 1901.  
 William S. Carter, Lebanon, 1902.  
 Edward E. Parker, Nashua, 1903.  
 Henry O. Kent,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Daniel B. Newhall,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Osman B. Warren,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 William S. Pillsbury,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Augustus D. Sanborn,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Charles W. Stevens, Nashua, 1909.

A. D. Scovell, Manchester, 1910.  
 Henry A. Conant,<sup>2</sup> 1911 (died in office).  
 William A. Beckford, Bristol, 1912.  
 George K. Stratton, Bradford, 1912.  
 David R. Roys,<sup>1</sup> Claremont, 1913.  
 O. B. Douglass, Concord, 1914.  
 M. B. Plummer,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 R. T. Leavitt, Pittsfield, 1916.  
 Chas. W. Hobbs, Pelham, 1917.  
 Eugene Wason, Milford, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Wm. Blair, Berlin, council of administration.

## NEW JERSEY (8).

[Organized Dec. 10, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 2,019; Posts, 91.]

Department commander.....	Frank Briden <sup>1</sup> .....	Hilton.
Senior vice department commander.....	Frank Baker <sup>1</sup> .....	Union Hill.
Junior vice department commander.....	Daniel Lynch <sup>1</sup> .....	Newark.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Enos F. Hann <sup>1</sup> .....	Atlantic City.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Wm. H. Armstrong,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City.  
 H. Clay Keenan,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City.  
 William M. Barr,<sup>1</sup> Paterson.  
 James H. Van Horn,<sup>1</sup> Newark.  
 H. Craig Smith,<sup>1</sup> Plainfield.  
 William W. Mendell,<sup>1</sup> Cranford.  
 William H. Bryson,<sup>1</sup> Newark.  
 Stephen R. Mullen,<sup>1</sup> Summit.

## ALTERNATES.

Edward H. Bolgiano, Atlantic City.  
 Thomas F. Laubach, Jersey City.  
 Wm. H. Black, Jersey City.  
 Alvah A. Knowles, Newark.  
 Abram Ball, Newark.  
 Henry Hubbard, Trenton.  
 Charles Schinkel, Union Hill.  
 H. W. Dennis, Jersey City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

E. Jardine,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 William Ward,<sup>2</sup> 1869-70.  
 Richard H. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 J. R. Globe,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 Charles Burrows,<sup>1 3</sup> Rutherford, 1874-75.  
 E. W. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 John Mueller,<sup>2</sup> 1877-78.  
 Samuel Hufty,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 George W. Gile,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Charles H. Houghton,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 E. L. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 George B. Fielder,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Henry M. Nevius,<sup>2</sup> 1884-85.  
 Frank O. Cole,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City, 1886.  
 J. L. Wheeler,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 E. Burd Grubb,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 W. B. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. M. Matthews,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 J. R. Mullikin,<sup>1</sup> Newark, 1891.  
 R. A. Donnelly,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 H. L. Hartshorn,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John Shields, Vineland, 1894.  
 Henry S. White,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Ernest C. Stahl,<sup>1</sup> Trenton, 1896.  
 Emmanuel Sands,<sup>2</sup> 1897 (died in office).

Samuel G. Hayter, Kearney, 1897.  
 William C. Smith, Plainfield, 1898.  
 George Barnett, Camden, 1899.  
 E. V. Richards,<sup>2</sup> 1900 (see Florida).  
 John Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Enos F. Hann,<sup>4</sup> Atlantic City, 1902.  
 Stephen M. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James M. Atwood, Wellfleet, Mass., 1904.  
 Charles Currie,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Alfred Atkins,<sup>1 5</sup> Roselle Park, 1906.  
 Arthur W. Tench,<sup>1</sup> Maplewood, 1907.  
 John Foran,<sup>5</sup> 1908.  
 James F. Connelly,<sup>5</sup> 1909.  
 James Inglis, jr.,<sup>5</sup> 1910.  
 Adrian S. Appleget,<sup>1</sup> Trenton, 1911.  
 Terrence J. McDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John W. Bodine,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Forman J. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).  
 Samuel J. Garretson,<sup>1</sup> Perth Amboy, 1914.  
 William F. Washington,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 William O. Allen,<sup>1</sup> Newark, 1916.  
 Walter S. Tully,<sup>1</sup> Roselle Park, 1917.  
 George C. Boyd,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City, 1918.  
 A. J. Washburn,<sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Burrows, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Hann, assistant adjutant general.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Atkins, national council of administration.



## NEW MEXICO (32).

[Organized July 14, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 92; Posts, 8.]

Department commander.....	O. L. Gregory.....	Las Vegas.
Senior vice department commander.....	W. M. Berger <sup>1</sup> .....	Albuquerque.
Junior vice department commander.....	S. W. Sherfey.....	Las Cruces.
Assistant adjutant general.....	John Shank .....	Las Vegas.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

John Greenwald,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque.

## ALTERNATE.

A. B. Stanton.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry M. Atkinson,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
Edward W. Wynkoop,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
J. J. Fitzgerald,<sup>3</sup> 1885.  
E. S. Stover, Albuquerque, 1886.  
John Y. Hewitt, White Oaks, 1887.  
Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
John H. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).  
Lee H. Rudisille,<sup>4</sup> White Oaks, 1890.  
A. M. Whitcomb,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Albert J. Fountain,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
S. W. Dorsey,<sup>5</sup> 1892.  
W. H. Whiteman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
George W. Knaebel,<sup>5</sup> 1894.  
Thomas W. Collier,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
John C. Bromagen,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1897-98.  
Leverett Clarke,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
George W. Knaebel,<sup>5</sup> 1899.

John R. McFie,<sup>5</sup> Gallup, 1900-1901.  
John W. Edwards,<sup>6</sup> National Soldiers'  
Home, Calif., 1902-3.  
Theo. W. Heman,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
Jacob Weltmer,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
W. B. Brunton, East Las Vegas, 1906.  
W. W. McDonald,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque, 1907.  
John P. Victory,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
John W. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
H. B. Steward,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque, 1910.  
A. D. Higgins, East Las Vegas, 1911.  
John G. Caldwell,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque, 1912.  
D. M. Sutherland, Alamogordo, 1913.  
John A. Ross,<sup>1</sup> East Las Vegas, 1914.  
Z. H. Bliss,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque, 1915.  
F. E. Olney,<sup>1</sup> East Las Vegas, 1916.  
Jefferson Raynolds,<sup>1</sup> Las Vegas, 1917.  
John W. Terry, Socorro, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from the order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Rudisille, national council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of the order.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Edwards. See California and Nevada.

## NEW YORK (5).

[Organized Apr. 3, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 10,976; posts, 484.]

Department commander.....	Joseph E. Ewell <sup>1</sup> .....	Buffalo.
Senior vice department commander.....	Edward B. Long <sup>1</sup> .....	White Plains.
Junior vice department commander.....	Louis H. La Vallee <sup>1</sup> .....	Albany.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Charles A. Orr <sup>1</sup> .....	Albany.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Alfred E. Stacey,<sup>1</sup> Elbridge.  
George W. Brush,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
Henry L. Swords,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
James K. Prosser,<sup>1</sup> Oswego.  
Thomas B. Crocker,<sup>1</sup> Sardinia.  
Wallace Riley,<sup>1</sup> Lockport.  
Henry G. Fritsch,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
Louis Finkelmeier,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
Thomas J. McConeky,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
Alfred J. Moss,<sup>1</sup> Troy.  
Charles M. Blair, Brownville.  
George W. Flynn,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo.  
Patrick H. Doody,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
M. B. Brennan,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
J. R. Silliman,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
John W. Noble, New York.  
Edwin H. Squires,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
Thomas H. Kiernan,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.

## ALTERNATES.

Richard M. Barber,<sup>1</sup> Albany.  
Ira D. Rowley,<sup>1</sup> Silver Creek.  
Frank Danes,<sup>1</sup> Penn Yan.  
John H. Hilliker,<sup>1</sup> Jamaica, Long Island.  
Samuel M. Morgan,<sup>1</sup> Bath.  
Wm. H. Lyons, Brooklyn.  
Wm. J. Barry, New York.  
Joseph H. Benzino, Buffalo.  
Samuel Irvine, Brooklyn.  
David Thom, New York.  
Samuel Hodgkinson, New York.  
John W. Jacobus, New York.  
Albert L. Morgan, Dexter.  
J. W. Nye, Wilmington.  
Henry Lilly, New York.  
T. T. Donovan, Brooklyn.  
Jacob M. Erwin, Albany.  
Henry W. Valentine, Brooklyn.

## NEW YORK—Continued

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

R. S. Rimington,<sup>1</sup> Saratoga Springs.  
 James A. Allis,<sup>1</sup> Syracuse.  
 Henry H. Jones,<sup>1</sup> Seneca Falls.  
 Henry C. Draper, Brooklyn.  
 Seymour J. Palmer,<sup>1</sup> Binghamton.  
 W. E. Widrick,<sup>1</sup> Mexico.  
 I. W. Butler,<sup>1</sup> Johnson City.  
 Wm. M. Chatham, Albany.  
 T. C. Knight, Elbridge.  
 James W. Belknap,<sup>1</sup> Lyons.  
 W. H. Lonergan,<sup>1</sup> Albany.  
 Wm. B. Price,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 F. R. Meres,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
 Louis Wanner,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 J. J. Augustin,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.  
 Edward C. Case, Utica.  
 Isidore Isaacs,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
 Jerome Treman,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.  
 Francis A. Clark,<sup>1</sup> Middletown.  
 Frank E. Cooley,<sup>1</sup> Rensselaer.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

Cyrus W. Lord, Jamestown.  
 Lewis Cohen, Schenectady.  
 B. W. Austin, Clifton Springs.  
 George A. Lent, Rochester.  
 William Church, New York.  
 Isaac P. Koon, Elmira.  
 Charles C. Spaulding, Elmira.  
 Henry J. Kopper, New York.  
 James L. Lyons, New York.  
 Henry Alford, Crown Point.  
 Thomas R. Petrie, Rochester.  
 George Robinson, Albany.  
 Alonzo Howell, New York.  
 William Fenley, Mount Morris.  
 Thomas M. Valleau, New York.  
 Walter Shafer, Sodus Point.  
 L. D. Mereness, Sharon Springs.  
 Michael Buchanan, Albany.  
 Jacob Shaffer, Adams Basin.  
 Thomas Casey, Clay.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James B. McKean,<sup>2</sup> 1866–67.  
 Daniel E. Sickles,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Edward B. Lansing,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 John C. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Henry A. Barnum,<sup>2</sup> 1871–72.  
 Stephen P. Corliss,<sup>2</sup> 1873–74.  
 John Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James Tanner,<sup>3</sup> Washington, D. C., 1876–77.  
 William F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James McQuade,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 L. Coe Young,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Abram Merritt,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James S. Fraser,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 John A. Reynolds, Fairport, 1883.  
 Ira M. Hedges,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. Clay Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Joseph I. Sayles,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George H. Treadwell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 N. Martin Curtis,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Harrison Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Floyd Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles H. Freeman,<sup>1</sup> Corning, 1891.  
 Theodore L. Poole,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Joseph P. Clear,<sup>2</sup> 1893.

John C. Shotts,<sup>2</sup> Yonkers, 1894.  
 Edward J. Atkinson, New York, 1895.  
 James S. Graham, Oxford, 1896.  
 Albert D. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Anson S. Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Joseph W. Kay, Brooklyn, 1899.  
 Nathan P. Pond, Rochester, 1900.  
 Charles A. Orr,<sup>5</sup> Buffalo, 1901.  
 Allan C. Bakewell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 John S. Koster, Port Leyden, 1903.  
 Henry N. Burhans,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James N. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John S. Maxwell, Amsterdam, 1906.  
 Harlan J. Swift,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William H. Daniels,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 M. J. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 De Witt C. Hurd, Utica, 1910.  
 George B. Loud,<sup>1</sup> New York, 1911.  
 Oscar Smith,<sup>1</sup> Albany, 1912.  
 Samuel C. Pierce,<sup>1</sup> Rochester, 1913.  
 James D. Bell,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, 1914.  
 Zan L. Tidball, Bath, 1915.  
 Solomon W. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Wm. F. Kirchner,<sup>1</sup> New York, 1917.  
 Lewis S. Pilcher,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, 1918.

De Alva S. Alexander, Buffalo, 1884, transferred from Potomac.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>4</sup> San Diego, Calif., 1902, transferred from Oklahoma.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Tanner, past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gipson. See California and Nevada.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Orr, assistant adjutant general.



## NORTH DAKOTA (43).

[Organized April 23, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 164; Posts, 18.]

Department commander.....	James McCormick <sup>1</sup> .....	Devils Lake.
Senior vice department commander.....	Henry Dinsmore <sup>1</sup> .....	Ellendale.
Junior vice department commander.....	O. A. Potter <sup>1</sup> .....	Granville.
Assistant adjutant general.....	H. J. Rowe <sup>1</sup> .....	Lisbon.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Smith Stimmel,<sup>1</sup> Fargo.  
David McLain, Jamestown.

## ALTERNATES.

John H. Searight, Towner.  
D. S. Sheets,<sup>1</sup> Lisbon.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Harrison Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
George B. Winship, San Diego, Cal., 1890.  
William A. Bentley,<sup>3</sup> Los Angeles, Cal., 1891.  
S. G. Roberts, El Cajon, Cal., 1892.  
John D. Black, Los Angeles, Cal., 1893.  
J. M. O'Neale,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
A. P. Rounseville, Lemon City, Fla., 1895.  
William H. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
E. C. Geary,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
Edwin Southard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
William Ackerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
Freeman Orcutt,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
D. G. Duell,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1901.  
John C. Gipson,<sup>4</sup> San Diego, Cal., 1902.  
H. J. Rowe,<sup>1,5</sup> Lisbon, 1903.

Daniel F. Siegfried,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
Joseph Hare,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
B. F. Bigelow,<sup>1</sup> Jamestown, 1906.  
S. J. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
J. L. Richmond, Minnewaukon, 1908.  
Halsey S. Curry,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
Albert Roberts,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1910.  
James H. Mathews,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
George W. Kurtz, Jamestown, 1912.  
George B. Vallandingham, Los Angeles, Cal., 1913.  
Alexander Hay, Wahpeton, 1914.  
J. L. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
Henry Beal, Valley City, 1916.  
Christian J. Schmitt,<sup>2</sup> Jamestown, 1917.  
John W. Carroll, Aberdeen, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Bentley. See California and Nevada.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gipson. See California and Nevada.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Rowe, assistant adjutant general.

## OHIO (4).

[Organized Jan. 30, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 11,453; Posts, 439.]

Department commander.....	H. C. Martindale <sup>1</sup> .....	Cleveland.
Senior vice department commander.....	W. D. Heffner <sup>1</sup> .....	Lima.
Junior vice department commander.....	W. G. Alexander <sup>1</sup> .....	Toledo.
Assistant adjutant general.....	W. S. Matthews <sup>1</sup> .....	Columbus

## REPRESENTATIVES.

G. M. Saltzgaber,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.  
A. B. Adams,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
Edward Baker,<sup>1</sup> Madisonville.  
A. B. Applegate,<sup>1</sup> Milford.  
John McMullen,<sup>1</sup> Hillsboro.  
I. N. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Greenville.  
Wm. F. Brandt,<sup>1</sup> Dayton.  
L. M. Jones,<sup>1</sup> Jamestown.  
Wm. V. McDonald,<sup>1</sup> Logan.  
J. J. Davidson,<sup>1</sup> Portsmouth.  
A. G. O'Bleness,<sup>1</sup> Marietta.  
H. A. Leslie,<sup>1</sup> Zanesville.  
L. H. Derby,<sup>1</sup> Norwalk.  
H. G. Sharp,<sup>1</sup> Kenton.  
P. L. Frazier,<sup>1</sup> Sidney.  
J. S. Stuckey,<sup>1</sup> Van Wert.  
Jacob M. Longnecker,<sup>1</sup> Delta.  
Samuel G. Liles,<sup>1</sup> Wharton.  
N. B. Mason,<sup>1</sup> Clyde.

## ALTERNATES.

W. C. Bostwick, Mt. Sterling.  
D. R. Herrick, Cincinnati.  
John L. McArthur, Reading.  
B. F. Stead, Hamilton.  
David Jenks, Wilmington.  
J. W. Larimer, Greenville.  
Gustavus Smith, Dayton.  
C. E. Harrison, New Burlington.  
A. W. Rupel, Chillicothe.  
Wm. Clouse, Ironton.  
Ferd Conner, Buchtel.  
W. E. Atwell, Zanesville.  
Chas. M. Chapman, Sandusky.  
A. J. Sponsler, Kenton.  
D. W. Todd, Urbana.  
J. A. Crawfis, Leipsic.  
George D. Newcomer, Wauseon.  
J. P. Redfern, Findlay.  
W. L. Hammond, Elliston.

## OHIO—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

F. R. Stewart,<sup>1</sup> Fostoria.  
 R. G. Bacon, Toledo.  
 James H. Herring,<sup>1</sup> Mansfield.  
 J. M. Anderson,<sup>1</sup> Uhrichsville.  
 S. W. Osborn,<sup>1</sup> Cadiz.  
 A. C. Blackburn,<sup>1</sup> Steubenville.  
 Nathaniel Lang,<sup>1</sup> Warren.  
 George W. Harding,<sup>1</sup> Carrollton.  
 James B. Taylor,<sup>1</sup> Wooster.  
 C. L. Williams,<sup>1</sup> Columbus.  
 J. M. Bradford,<sup>1</sup> Akron.  
 Harry M. Stokes,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 Trasser Brown,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 E. R. Ward,<sup>1</sup> Conneaut.  
 Solomon Zarbaugh,<sup>1</sup> Hot Springs, S. Dak.  
 John M. Adams,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
 W. M. Hahn,<sup>1</sup> Mansfield.  
 John C. Hutsinpillar,<sup>1</sup> Gallipolis.  
 S. G. Harvey,<sup>1</sup> Toledo.  
 W. H. King,<sup>1</sup> Coshocton.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

S. N. Titus, Marion.  
 Christopher Sheets,<sup>1</sup> Toledo.  
 L. G. Hunt, Mt. Vernon.  
 Bethel J. Berkshire, Uhrichsville.  
 J. B. Gibson, Bellaire.  
 F. W. Webster, Salem.  
 W. E. Sprague, Youngstown.  
 Albert Hawkins, Alliance.  
 S. A. Williams, Wellington.  
 D. N. Osyor, Columbus.  
 C. C. Weber, Ravenna.  
 E. Shipman, Cleveland.  
 L. C. Merrifield, Cleveland.  
 T. B. Fitts, Painesville.  
 Conrad Liner, Cincinnati.  
 W. H. H. Dibble, Canal Winchester.  
 A. C. Stone, Wilmington.  
 John. W. Riley, Troy.  
 O. E. Hunt, Newark.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

B. F. Potts,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 Thomas L. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 J. Warren Keifer,<sup>1,3</sup> Springfield, 1868-70.  
 William C. Bunts,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 G. M. Barber,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 Alvin C. Voris,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 William Earnshaw,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Nathan L. Guthrie,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James H. Seymour,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James H. Steedman,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 David W. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 John S. Kountz,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Charles T. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 H. P. Lloyd,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. B. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Arthur L. Conger,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 D. C. Putnam,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Joseph W. O'Neill,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon, 1888.  
 S. H. Hurst,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 P. H. Dowling,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. M. Warner,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati, 1891.  
 Isaac F. Mack,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 L. H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 E. E. Nutt,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Charles Townsend,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

E. L. Lybarger, Spring Mountain, 1896.  
 Henry Kissinger,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David F. Pugh,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, 1898.  
 Thomas R. Shinn,<sup>1</sup> Ashland, 1899.  
 Elias R. Monfort,<sup>1,4</sup> Cincinnati, 1900.  
 Emmett F. Taggart,<sup>1</sup> Akron, 1901.  
 Walter Weber,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, 1902.  
 Arthur C. Yengling, Salem, 1903.  
 B. M. Moulton,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Amos Huffman,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1905.  
 George A. Harmon,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. S. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 John H. Sharer,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Hall,<sup>1</sup> Lima, 1909.  
 Charles H. Newton,<sup>1</sup> Marietta, 1909.  
 Henry A. Axline,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 J. F. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Chas. W. Blodgett,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati, 1912.  
 W. R. Warnock,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 J. Kent Hamilton,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Seeley P. Mount,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland, 1915.  
 W. H. Surles,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 W. A. Pittenger,<sup>1</sup> Dennison, 1917.  
 D. M. Hall,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, 1918.

Jos. O. Gregg,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, Ohio, 1893, transferred from Montana.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Keifer, past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Monfort, past commander in chief.

## OKLAHOMA (44).

[Organized Aug. 7, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 979; Posts, 50. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at Joint Encampment held at Guthrie May 19-22, 1908.]

Department commander.....F. M. Cline <sup>1 3</sup>.....Woodward.  
 Senior vice department commander.....E. G. Platts <sup>1</sup>.....Guthrie.  
 Junior vice department commander.....B. H. Riggs.....Ponca City.  
 Assistant adjutant general.....J. H. Norton <sup>1</sup>.....Oklahoma City.



## OKLAHOMA—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

D. M. Younkman,<sup>1</sup> Tulsa.  
J. S. Halliday,<sup>1</sup> Muskogee.  
J. Q. Adamson,<sup>1</sup> Edmond.  
J. F. Bainum,<sup>1</sup> Blackwell.

## ALTERNATES.

I. W. Scherich, Enid.  
F. A. Brown,<sup>7</sup> Shawnee.  
M. S. Dutton, Oklahoma City.  
J. W. Duck, Stillwater.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

C. M. Barnes,<sup>4</sup> Guthrie, 1890.  
G. M. Coulton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
D. F. Wyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
T. H. Soward,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894 (see California and Nevada).  
H. G. Trosper,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
W. H. Cater,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
C. R. Young, Guthrie, 1897.  
G. D. Munger,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
J. J. S. Hassler,<sup>2</sup> (died in office), 1899.  
I. W. Rush,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
M. L. Mock,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
James E. Burns,<sup>5</sup> Fresno, Calif., 1901.  
Wesley Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
Cyrus P. Green,<sup>1</sup> Enid, 1903.

S. P. Strahan, Perry, 1904.  
G. M. Parks,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
Peter A. Becker, Jefferson, 1906.  
W. H. Hornaday,<sup>1</sup> Guthrie, 1907.  
H. Veatch,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
William Higgins, Bartlesville, 1909.  
B. N. Turk, Enid, 1910.  
Wilberforce Jones,<sup>4</sup> 1911.  
W. R. Kelley, Kingfisher, 1912.  
L. C. Coffin,<sup>1</sup> Elgin, 1913.  
George W. Billings<sup>2</sup> (died in office), 1914.  
George W. Fletcher, Dover, 1914.  
A. A. Beasler,<sup>1</sup> Chandler, 1915.  
Albert Reeves,<sup>1</sup> Tulsa, 1916.  
J. C. White,<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma City, 1917.  
F. E. Hills,<sup>1</sup> Enid, 1918.

## FROM DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY, BY MERGER, MAY 19-22, 1908.

E. Calkins,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
B. F. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
J. H. Spann, McAlester, 1893.  
Savelon Boyles,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
J. L. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
William H. Harrison,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
R. M. J. Shriver, Miami, 1897.  
David Redfield, Ardmore, 1898.

Gideon S. White,<sup>4</sup> 1899.  
John S. Hammer,<sup>2</sup> 1900-1902.  
J. A. Rose,<sup>4</sup> 1903.  
Robert Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
Samuel H. Smith, Muskogee, 1905.  
J. F. Ayers,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
A. G. Krutchmer,<sup>2</sup> 1907.

D. W. Eastman,<sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Kansas.  
John C. Gipson,<sup>6</sup> 1902, transferred from North Dakota.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Cline, national council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade Burns. See California and Nevada.

<sup>6</sup> Comrade Gipson. See New York.

<sup>7</sup> Comrade F. A. Brown, national council of administration.

## OREGON (26).

[Organized Sept. 28, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 1,768; Posts, 62.]

Department commander.....Daniel Webster<sup>1</sup>.....Salem.  
Senior vice department commander.....J. M. Patterson<sup>1</sup>.....The Dalles.  
Junior vice department commander.....Wm. M. Hendershott<sup>1</sup>.....Portland.  
Assistant adjutant general.....C. A. Williams.....Portland.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. W. Gowan,<sup>1</sup> Burns.  
H. S. Clyde,<sup>1</sup> Oregon City.  
J. M. Watson,<sup>1</sup> Salem.  
E. E. Covey,<sup>1</sup> Portland.  
J. B. Sedgwick,<sup>1</sup> Portland.  
D. L. McKay,<sup>1</sup> Portland.  
F. A. Coleman,<sup>1</sup> Portland.

## ALTERNATES.

G. A. Castner, Hood River.  
H. C. Helm, Forest Grove.  
W. J. Terry, Portland.  
West Newton, Corvallis.  
Daniel Clark, Portland.  
Z. M. Parvin, Portland.  
W. S. Search, Eugene.



OREGON—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

N. S. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 G. E. Caulkin,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 F. J. Babcock,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 F. H. Lamb,<sup>3</sup> Inverness, Calif., 1885-86.  
 M. L. Olmstead,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. E. Borthwick,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 E. B. McElroy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 James A. Varney,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Owen Summers,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 H. H. Northup, Portland, 1892.  
 J. C. Cooper, McMinnville, 1893.  
 S. B. Ormsby,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 E. W. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 D. C. Sherman, Salem, 1896.  
 Frank Reisner,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 C. P. Holloway, Portland, 1898.  
 H. V. Gates, Hillsboro, 1899.  
 A. J. Goodbrod,<sup>2</sup> 1900.

J. A. Sladen,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 M. L. Pratt, Portland, 1902.  
 D. H. Turner, McMinnville, 1903.  
 B. F. Pike, Newberg, 1904.  
 T. E. Hills, Garden Home, 1905.  
 Hamer Sutcliffe,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 S. F. Blythe,<sup>1</sup> Hood River, 1907.  
 J. T. Apperson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James P. Shaw, Roseburg, 1909.  
 W. J. R. Beach, Forest Grove, 1910.  
 Newton Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas B. McDevitt, Portland, 1912.  
 S. W. Taylor, Eugene, 1913.  
 H. S. Fargo,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 George A. Harding, Oregon City, 1915.  
 J. E. Hall, Portland, 1916.  
 J. G. Chambers,<sup>1 4</sup> Portland, 1917.  
 T. H. Stevens, Portland, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Lamb, national council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Chambers, senior vice commander in chief.

PENNSYLVANIA (3).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1867; membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 10,980; Posts, 453].

Department commander.....	George W. Rhoads <sup>1</sup> .....	Harrisburg.
Senior vice department commander.....	W. F. Hambright <sup>1</sup> .....	Lancaster.
Junior vice department commander.....	A. B. Wannop <sup>1</sup> .....	Philadelphia.
Assistant adjutant general.....	Samuel P. Town <sup>1</sup> .....	Philadelphia.

REPRESENTATIVES.

B. J. Coll,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 J. I. Shoemaker,<sup>1</sup> Wyoming.  
 H. H. Bengough,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 Daniel Donne,<sup>1</sup> Pottsville.  
 J. W. Kaufman,<sup>1</sup> Huntington.  
 Hugh R. Fulton,<sup>1</sup> Lancaster.  
 John H. Horricks,<sup>1</sup> Johnstown.  
 Thos. D. Hutchinson,<sup>1</sup> Allentown.  
 C. C. Arensberg,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 Richard Jones,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 Thomas Numbers,<sup>2</sup> Harrisburg.  
 D. S. Beemer,<sup>1</sup> Scranton.  
 Samuel C. Coleman,<sup>1</sup> Norwood.  
 A. L. Ellis,<sup>1</sup> Uniontown.  
 Henry C. Deetz,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 J. H. Harbourne,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 Jacob W. Bishop,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 H. H. Spayd,<sup>1</sup> Minersville.  
 W. S. Burnwood,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 Campbell Stanton,<sup>1</sup> Bellevue.  
 Joseph E. Raphun,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 C. H. W. Ruhe,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 Alfred Stanger,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 H. C. Schenck,<sup>1</sup> Lancaster.  
 W. W. Renkin,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 O. L. Roushey,<sup>1</sup> Dallas.  
 Allen J. Clifton,<sup>1</sup> Easton.  
 William J. Day,<sup>1</sup> Washington.  
 Gustavus Joseph,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 O. A. Parsons,<sup>1</sup> Wilkes-Barre.

ALTERNATES.

J. W. McCune,<sup>1</sup> Lancaster.  
 F. K. Ployer, Mechanicsburg.  
 Thos. R. Wilson, Pittsburgh.  
 C. R. Lantz, Lebanon.  
 Joseph Forrey, Philadelphia.  
 C. W. Hoffman, Latrobe.  
 John C. Grissim, Philadelphia.  
 Wm. L. Hershey, Marietta.  
 W. H. Kramer, Allentown.  
 I. J. Minds, Houtsdale.  
 R. S. Moist, York.  
 B. H. Bowman, Huntingdon Mills.  
 George W. Boyer, St. Marys.  
 Joseph Carles, Philadelphia.  
 Samuel Dell, Lewistown.  
 Wm. J. Giles, McKeesport.  
 J. H. Long, Strasburg.  
 John Nixon, Pittsburgh.  
 Thomas Wardrobe, Mount Carmel.  
 S. Y. Kniseley, Steelton.  
 John R. Rutter, Altoona.  
 Nathan Tanner, Summit Hill.  
 C. J. Williams, Braddock.  
 S. T. Smith, West Chester.  
 Wm. S. Seabold, Annville.  
 John A. Quinton, Philadelphia.  
 George Stinson, Sunbury.  
 John A. Chaffee, Towanda.  
 L. T. Carpenter, Lock Haven.  
 Sydney J. Crocker, Warren.

## PENNSYLVANIA—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

W. B. Morgey,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 W. H. Rodgers,<sup>1</sup> Mifflintown.  
 George D. Runk,<sup>1</sup> Clearfield.  
 James M. Reed,<sup>1</sup> Greensburg.  
 C. C. Taylor,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 J. R. Dodd,<sup>1</sup> Franklin.  
 J. Underkoffler,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 Henry C. Sayers,<sup>1</sup> Waynesburg.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

H. H. McElroy, Wilkinsburg.  
 Daniel G. Moffett, Williamsport.  
 Samuel E. Gill, Pittsburgh.  
 John Hoerr, Pittsburgh.  
 Joseph C. McMillen, New Castle.  
 R. J. Long, Leechburg.  
 Edward Glass, Norristown.  
 C. O. Ellis, Carbondale.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Louis Wagner,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 A. L. Pearson,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 O. C. Bosbyshell, Philadelphia, 1869.  
 Howard J. Reeder,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Frank Reeder,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 Robert B. Beath,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 A. Wilson Norris,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 W. W. Tyson,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James W. Latta, Philadelphia, 1876.  
 Samuel I. Givin,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Charles T. Hull,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 George L. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Chill W. Hazzard,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 John Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 John M. Vanderslice,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 E. S. Osborne,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frederick H. Dyer, Des Moines, Iowa,  
 1884.  
 F. Austin Curtin,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 J. P. S. Gobin,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Samuel Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Frank J. Magee,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thomas J. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Joseph F. Denniston,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 George G. Boyer,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John P. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1892.

Thomas G. Sample,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 William Emsley,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 H. H. Cumings,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Alfred Darte,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 William D. Stauffer, Lancaster, 1897.  
 Wm. J. Patterson,<sup>1 3</sup> Pittsburgh, 1898.  
 James F. Morrison,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Charles Miller, Franklin, 1900.  
 Levi G. McCauley, West Chester, 1901.  
 R. P. Scott, Butler, 1902.  
 Edwin Walton,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 John McNevin,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 J. Andrew Wilt,<sup>1 4</sup> Towanda, 1905.  
 M. A. Gherst,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 William T. Powell,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1907.  
 P. De Lacy,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Thad. M. Mahon,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 L. W. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 N. P. Kingsley,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas H. Cole,<sup>1</sup> Erie, 1912.  
 William J. Wells, 1913.  
 John A. Fairman,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1914.  
 C. C. Gramlich,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia, 1915.  
 L. F. Arensburg,<sup>1</sup> East Millsboro, 1916.  
 Noah Dietrich,<sup>1</sup> Easton, 1917.  
 J. D. Hicks,<sup>1</sup> Altoona, 1918.

James E. Porter,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1895, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Patterson, past commander in chief.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Wilt, national council of administration.

## POTOMAC (14).

[Organized Feb. 13, 1869. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 863; Posts, 12.]

Department commander.....	H. B. Snyder <sup>1</sup> .....	Washington, D. C.
Senior vice department commander.....	R. B. Harlow.....	Washington, D. C.
Junior vice department commander.....	F. W. Archibald.....	Washington, D. C.
Assistant adjutant general.....	O. H. Oldroyd <sup>1</sup> .....	Washington, D. C.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Charles Loeffler,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.  
 George W. Street,<sup>1</sup> Washington.  
 Eugene W. Weaver, Washington.  
 John M. Young,<sup>1</sup> Washington.

## ALTERNATES.

John A. Haskin,<sup>1</sup> Washington.  
 C. M. Robinson, Washington.  
 Wm. Emerson, Washington.  
 Wm. H. Honn, Washington.



## POTOMAC—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Samuel A. Duncan,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Timothy Luby,<sup>2</sup> 1870-72.  
 Frank H. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 Benjamin F. Hawkes,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 A. H. G. Richardson, Washington, 1877.  
 Geo. E. Corson, Washington, 1878.  
 Harrison Dingman,<sup>3</sup> Washington, 1879.  
 Chas. C. Royce,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1880.  
 William Gibson,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Samuel S. Burdett,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 D. S. Alexander,<sup>5</sup> Buffalo, N. Y., 1884.  
 Newton M. Brooks, Washington, 1885.  
 Jerome B. Burke, Washington, 1886-87.  
 Charles P. Lincoln,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 William S. Odell, Washington, 1889.  
 M. Emmett Urell,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 J. M. Pipes,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1891.  
 A. F. Dinsmore, Washington, 1892.  
 S. E. Faunce, Washington, 1893.  
 Nathan Bickford, Washington, 1894.  
 Marion T. Anderson,<sup>1</sup> 1895.  
 John McElroy,<sup>1</sup> <sup>6</sup> Washington, 1896.

Thomas S. Hopkins,<sup>1</sup> <sup>7</sup> Washington, 1897.  
 Arthur Hendricks,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Calvin Farnsworth, Washington, 1899.  
 George H. Slaybaugh,<sup>3</sup> Washington, 1900.  
 Israel W. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 B. F. Bingham,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1902.  
 I. G. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Abram Hart,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 A. P. Tasker, Washington, 1905.  
 B. P. Entriakin,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1906.  
 Newton Ferree,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1907.  
 John S. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Edwin H. Holbrook,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Henry A. Johnson, Washington, 1910.  
 George C. Ross,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1911.  
 J. D. Bloodgood,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Thomas H. McKee, Washington, 1913.  
 J. K. Gleason, Washington, 1914.  
 L. H. Patterson,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1915.  
 A. H. Huntoon,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1916.  
 A. H. Frear,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1917.  
 S. G. Morrison, Washington, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Dingman, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Royce, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Alexander. See New York.<sup>6</sup> Comrade McElroy, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>7</sup> Comrade Hopkins, judge advocate general.<sup>8</sup> Comrade Slaybaugh, past senior vice commander in chief.

## RHODE ISLAND (11).

[Organized Mar. 24, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 722; Posts, 22.]

Department commander.....	Fred A. Burt <sup>1</sup> .....	Greenwood.
Senior vice department commander.....	William Massey <sup>1</sup> .....	Pawtucket.
Junior vice department commander.....	Frederick S. Oatley <sup>1</sup> .....	Norwood.
Assistant adjutant general.....	H. J. Pickersgill <sup>1</sup> .....	East Providence.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Leander N. Vallett,<sup>1</sup> Providence.  
 James L. Sherman,<sup>1</sup> Providence.  
 Charles E. Pierce,<sup>1</sup> Rumford.

## ALTERNATES.

John Williams, Providence.  
 Henry H. Clark, Silver Spring.  
 Christopher H. Carpenter, Providence.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Ambrose E. Burnside,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Horatio Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Charles R. Brayton,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Elisha H. Rhodes,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Edwin Metcalf,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 Edwin C. Pomroy,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Charles H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 Henry J. Spooner,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Fred A. Arnold, Providence, 1878.  
 Henry R. Barker,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Charles C. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William H. P. Steers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Henry F. Jenks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Philip S. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Andrew K. McMahon, Newport, 1884.  
 Eugene A. Cory,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Theodore A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Benjamin L. Hall, Edgewood, 1887.

Gideon Spencer,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Alonzo Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Benjamin F. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Benjamin H. Child,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 David S. Ray,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 George T. Cranston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles H. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Daniel R. Ballou, Providence, 1895.  
 William E. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Livingston Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Samuel W. K. Allen,<sup>1</sup> East Greenwich,  
 1898.  
 Charles O. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Walter A. Read,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles P. Moies,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 George H. Chenery,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 James S. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Joseph Wooley,<sup>2</sup> 1904.



RHODE ISLAND—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Ezra K. Parker, Providence, 1905.	George H. Cheek, Pawtucket, 1913.
George L. Greene, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Gilbert Wilson, Providence, 1914.
Edward Wilcox, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Henry J. Pickersgill, <sup>3</sup> East Providence, 1915.
William O. Milne, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Joseph Gough, Olneyville, 1916.
Francello G. Jillson, <sup>2</sup> 1909.	Augustine A. Mann, Central Falls, 1917.
Charles H. Ewer, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	Murdock C. McKenzie, <sup>1</sup> Bristol, 1918.
Ezra Dixon, Bristol, 1911.	
Thomas M. Holden, <sup>1</sup> Riverpoint, 1912.	
<sup>1</sup> Present.	
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.	
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Pickersgill, assistant adjutant general.	

SOUTH DAKOTA (29).

[Organized Mar. 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 672; posts, 55.]

Department commander.....	Abe L. Van Osdel <sup>1</sup> .....	Mission Hill.
Senior vice department commander.....	O. R. Van Etten.....	Highmore.
Junior vice department commander.....	Wm. Gengerich <sup>1</sup> .....	Sioux Falls.
Assistant adjutant general.....	C. A. B. Fox <sup>1</sup> .....	Sioux Falls.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Gordon W. Rudd, <sup>1</sup> Miller.	A. E. Winegar, Sioux Falls.
I. L. Bates, <sup>1</sup> Groton.	J. M. Garner, Onida.
H. C. Spencer, <sup>1</sup> Onida.	O. A. Sutton, Brookings.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thomas S. Free, <sup>2</sup> 1883–84.	Thomas Reed, Arlington, 1903.
W. V. Lucas, <sup>3</sup> Santa Cruz, 1885–86.	H. P. Packard, Redfield, 1904.
Harrison Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. B. Wolgemuth, <sup>2</sup> 1905 (see Montana).
S. F. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	N. I. Lothian, <sup>1</sup> Milbank, 1906.
George A. Silsby, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	T. C. DeJean, <sup>1</sup> Plankinton, 1907.
E. T. Langley, <sup>4</sup> Santa Ana, Calif., 1890.	Warren G. Osborn, <sup>1</sup> Zephyrhills, Fla., 1908.
C. S. Palmer, <sup>5</sup> Burlington, Vt., 1891.	Alexander S. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
J. B. Hoit, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	N. H. Kingman, Selby, 1910.
N. C. Nash, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Thomas H. Brown, <sup>1</sup> <sup>7</sup> Sioux Falls, 1911.
George W. Carpenter, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	O. S. Gifford, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).
S. R. Drake, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	H. L. Ferry, Vermilion, 1912.
John Ackley, <sup>2</sup> 1896 (died in office).	John L. Jolley, Vermilion, 1913.
John F. Baker, Zephyrhills, Fla., 1896.	C. A. B. Fox, <sup>8</sup> Sioux Falls, 1914.
C. B. Clark, Hot Springs, 1897.	Chas. S. Blodgett, <sup>1</sup> Rapid City, 1915.
E. P. Farr, Hot Springs, 1898.	Walter H. Carr, <sup>1</sup> Hurley, 1916.
W. L. Palmer <sup>2</sup> (see New York), 1899.	J. C. Luce, <sup>1</sup> Groton, 1917.
Philip Lawrence, <sup>1</sup> Huron, 1900.	James S. Sebree, Pierre, 1918.
George W. Snow, <sup>1</sup> Springfield, 1901.	
Thomas E. Blanchard, <sup>6</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif., 1902.	
<sup>1</sup> Present.	
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.	
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Lucas. See California and Nevada.	
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Langley. See California and Nevada.	
<sup>5</sup> Comrade C. S. Palmer. See Vermont.	
<sup>6</sup> Comrade Blanchard. See California and Nevada.	
<sup>7</sup> Comrade Brown, inspector general.	
<sup>8</sup> Comrade Fox, assistant adjutant general.	

TENNESSEE (34).

[Organized Feb. 26, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 498; posts, 19.]

Department commander.....	F. N. Fessenden <sup>1</sup> .....	Chattanooga.
Senior vice department commander.....	Joel I. Pyott <sup>1</sup> .....	Athens.
Junior vice department commander.....	P. M. Keeble <sup>1</sup> .....	Maryville.
Assistant adjutant general.....	B. F. Bashor <sup>1</sup> .....	Knoxville.

## TENNESSEE—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. W. Biese, Chattanooga.  
John Gray,<sup>1</sup> Greenville.  
Thomas O'Connor,<sup>1</sup> Memphis.

## ALTERNATES.

C. T. Tipton,<sup>1</sup> Knoxville.  
Sam Mann, Tullahoma.  
James Turner.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward S. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1884-85.  
E. E. Winters,<sup>3</sup> 1886.  
William J. Ramage,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
William Rule,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
A. H. Pettibone,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Charles F. Muller,<sup>3</sup> 1890.  
A. J. Gahagan,<sup>1</sup> Chattanooga, 1891.  
Henry C. Whittaker,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
Frank Seaman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
W. E. F. Milburn,<sup>4</sup> National Soldiers  
Home, 1894.  
William J. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
Halbert B. Case,<sup>2</sup> 1896-97.  
Wm. N. Nelson,<sup>1</sup> Backwoods, 1898.  
Henry Crumbliss,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
S. T. Harris, Dandridge, 1900.  
M. M. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
George W. Patten,<sup>2</sup> 1902-3.

Ben A. Hamilton,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
Walton W. French,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
John T. Wilder,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
Will A. McTeer,<sup>1</sup> Maryville, 1907.  
S. W. Tindell, National Soldiers Home,  
1908.  
D. Minor Steward,<sup>1</sup> Chattanooga, 1909.  
Ignaz Fanz, Knoxville, 1910.  
Chas. H. Flournoy, Knoxville, 1911.  
A. M. Gamble, Maryville, 1912.  
W. D. Atchley, Sevierville, 1913.  
A. P. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).  
D. D. Nicholas,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
F. M. Underwood,<sup>1</sup> Rockwood, 1915.  
J. R. Kennedy, Louisville, 1916.  
O. C. Kinley,<sup>1</sup> National Soldiers Home,  
1917.  
W. F. Roberts, Memphis, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>4</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

## TEXAS (38).

[Organized Mar. 25, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 244; posts, 10.]

Department commander.....Edward Loomis<sup>1</sup>.....San Antonio  
Senior vice department commander.....A. Rockhold<sup>1</sup>.....Dallas.  
Junior vice department commander.....W. H. Blake<sup>1</sup>.....Houston.  
Assistant adjutant general.....J. S. Ewing.....San Antonio

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. H. Dunn,<sup>1</sup> Denison.  
Fred Bownd,<sup>1</sup> Fort Worth.

## ALTERNATES.

Nat Underwood, San Antonio.  
G. E. Allgaier, Fort Worth.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. D. Wylie,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
O. T. Lyon,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
W. H. Sinclair,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
J. C. De Gress,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
A. G. Malloy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
A. K. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
M. W. Mann,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
O. G. Peterson,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
John W. Park,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
R. M. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
W. W. Bostwick, Longmont, Colo., 1895.  
G. W. McCormick,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Ed. N. Ketchum,<sup>1</sup> Galveston, 1897.  
W. F. Conner,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
John Roach,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
Charles B. Peck,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
P. B. Hunt,<sup>2</sup> 1901.

C. C. Haskell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
John H. Bolton,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
John L. Boyd, Dallas, 1904.  
Elmore A. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
W. H. Harvey,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
L. L. Whitaker,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
Thomas M. Wright,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
Calvin R. Hubbard,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
J. S. Dunlap, Dallas, 1910.  
W. O. Kretsinger,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
E. P. Brown, Fort Worth, 1912.  
Sidney Tuttle,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
Robert McCormick, Dallas, 1914.  
C. S. Brodbent,<sup>1</sup> San Antonio, 1915.  
C. A. Cahoon, Temple, 1916.  
M. B. Young,<sup>1</sup> Weatherford, 1917.  
Anson Miller,<sup>1</sup> Anahuac, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.



## UTAH (33).

[Organized Oct. 8, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 189; posts, 5.]

Department commander.....	C. W. A. Schnell <sup>1</sup> .....	Salt Lake City.
Senior vice department commander.....	John N. Westen.....	Ogden.
Junior vice department commander.....	Seymour B. Young.....	Salt Lake City.
Assistant adjutant general.....	N. D. Corser.....	Salt Lake City.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

G. W. Vogel,<sup>1</sup> Ogden.  
George B. Bridges,<sup>1</sup> Eureka.

## ALTERNATES.

Henry Tipton, Salt Lake City.  
George D. Fisher, Ogden.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George C. Douglas,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
Ransford Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
Henry C. Wardleigh,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
Elijah Sells,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
Eli H. Murray,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
Nathan Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
Henry T. Snyder, National Soldiers'  
Home, California, 1889.  
Henry Page,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Frank Hoffman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
James R. Elliott,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
J. W. Greenman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
Thomas C. Iliff,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
Charles O. Farnsworth,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
M. M. Kellogg,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Thomas C. Bailey,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
Norman H. Ives,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
Maurice M. Kaighn,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
Marshall A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900 (see California  
and Nevada).

Rudolph Alf,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
Wm. M. Bostaph,<sup>3</sup> Salt Lake City, 1902.  
Frank H. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
Henry P. Burns,<sup>1</sup> Salt Lake City, 1904.  
E. T. Hulaniski, Ogden, 1905.  
B. M. Sperry, Salt Lake City, 1906.  
Alfred Kent,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
R. G. Sleater,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
Lucian L. Smyth, Salt Lake City, 1909.  
Thomas Lundy,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
A. B. Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
J. W. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
Frank H. Hall,<sup>1</sup> Salt Lake City, 1912.  
Reuben Oehler, National Soldiers' Home,  
California, 1913.  
N. A. Heath, Ogden, 1914.  
H. G. Rollins, Salt Lake City, 1915.  
N. D. Corser,<sup>4</sup> Salt Lake City, 1916-17.  
J. C. A. Warfield, Salt Lake City, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Bostaph, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Corser, assistant adjutant general.

## VERMONT (13).

[Organized Dec. 23, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 1,272; Posts, 83.]

Department commander.....	A. T. Woodward <sup>1</sup> .....	Rutland.
Senior vice department commander.....	Charles Cota <sup>1</sup> .....	St. Albans.
Junior vice department commander.....	William Cummins <sup>1</sup> .....	Orwell.
Assistant adjutant general.....	D. L. Morgan <sup>1</sup> .....	Rutland.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. H. Granger,<sup>1</sup> Rutland.  
C. H. Stone,<sup>1</sup> Fair Haven.  
J. M. Hyde, Bennington.  
W. W. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Middlebury.  
C. A. Brunell, Woodstock.

## ALTERNATES.

J. C. Wright, Woodstock.  
George H. Waldron, Springfield.  
J. D. Hanrahan,<sup>1</sup> Rutland.  
F. H. Ketchum,<sup>1</sup> Randolph.  
A. M. Banks, Bradford.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George P. Foster<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
William W. Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
Wheelock G. Veazey<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
Stephen Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
Theodore S. Peck,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
J. H. Goulding,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
George W. Hooker,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
A. B. Valentine,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
C. C. Kinsman,<sup>2</sup> 1884.

W. L. Greenleaf,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
George T. Childs,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
P. D. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
Herbert E. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
A. S. Tracy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Z. M. Mansur,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
D. L. Morgan,<sup>3</sup> Rutland, 1891.  
Hugh Henry, Chester, 1892.  
George W. Doty,<sup>2</sup> 1893.



VERMONT—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Charles F. Branch, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John A. Sheldon, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Barney Cannon, jr., <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Andrew C. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
N. M. Puffer, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Charles E. Beach, <sup>1</sup> Burlington, 1908.
E. W. Jewett, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Alvin B. Franklin, Townshend, 1909.
L. B. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	E. J. Foster, Waterbury Center, 1910.
F. G. Butterfield, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Chester M. Ferrin, <sup>1 4</sup> Burlington, 1911.
U. A. Woodbury, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Albert A. Niles, Morrisville, 1912.
Joel H. Lucia, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Thomas Hannon, Bennington, 1913.
R. E. Hathorn, <sup>1</sup> 1902.	Edward Baker, Montpelier, 1914.
Frank Kenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1903,	George P. Martin, Bennington, 1915.
James E. Eldridge, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Henry C. Streeter, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Seymour H. Wood, St. Albans, 1905.	C. T. S. Pierce, <sup>1</sup> Vergennes, 1917-18.
C. S. Palmer, Burlington, 1891, transferred from South Dakota.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Morgan, assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Ferrin, surgeon general.

VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA (15).

[Organized July 27, 1871. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 277; Posts, 19.]

Department commander.....	Charles H. Haber <sup>1 3</sup> .....	National Soldiers Home.
Senior vice department commander.....	Charles Grandy.....	Norfolk.
Junior vice department commander.....	George W. Gray.....	Phoebus.
Assistant adjutant general.....	G. W. Burchfield.....	National Soldiers Home.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Joseph F. Bean,<sup>1</sup> Winchester.  
W. H. House.<sup>1</sup>

ALTERNATES.

Solomon Burden, Norfolk.  
Nelson Carney, Portsmouth, Va.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William N. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	Jas. E. Porter, <sup>4</sup> Pittsburgh, Pa., 1895.
William H. Appenzeller, <sup>2</sup> 1875-76.	H. W. Weiss, <sup>1</sup> Emporia, Va., 1896.
William Ryder, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	John W. Stebbins, <sup>1</sup> Norfolk, Va., 1897.
R. F. Staples, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	James M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Pennsylvania).
Richard Bond, <sup>2</sup> 1879 (see Georgia and South Carolina).	John W. Rutter, <sup>1</sup> Portsmouth, Va., 1899.
A. B. Hurlburt, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	A. B. Heistand, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
W. Hervey King, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Peter Morton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
P. T. Woodfin, <sup>2</sup> 1882-83.	C. D. Grew, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
B. C. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	M. H. Haas, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
H. DeB. Clay, <sup>2</sup> 1885-86.	John C. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
John W. Woodman, Portsmouth, Va., 1887-88.	Isaac Powell, <sup>1</sup> Newburn, N. C., 1905.
R. P. Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	D. R. Wilson, Richmond, Va., 1906.
N. J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. A. Hager, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
H. B. Nichols, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Thomas Fogerty, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Edgar Allan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Frank M. Work, National Soldiers' Home, Ohio, 1909.
W. Whitcomb, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Charles H. Haber, <sup>1 3</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Virginia, 1910-18.
Joseph G. Fulton, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Haber, junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Porter. See Pennsylvania.

## WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30).

[Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 2,269; Posts, 78.]

Department commander.....	A. A. Stevens <sup>1</sup> .....	Wenatchee.
Senior vice department commander.....	E. D. Quinn <sup>1</sup> .....	Yakima.
Junior vice department commander.....	John M. Huntington..	Orting.
Assistant adjutant general .....	A. W. Hastie <sup>1</sup> .....	Seattle.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

H. W. Blakeslee,<sup>1</sup> Seattle.  
 J. F. McCafferty,<sup>1</sup> Yakima.  
 F. F. Thompson,<sup>1</sup> Tacoma.  
 G. W. Lincoln,<sup>1</sup> Seattle.  
 J. A. Harris,<sup>1</sup> Spokane.  
 V. J. Knapp,<sup>1</sup> Anacortes.  
 R. H. Ball,<sup>1</sup> La Conner.  
 Wm. Himberger,<sup>1</sup> Seattle.  
 H. S. Abbott,<sup>1</sup> Seattle.

## ALTERNATES.

J. M. Birmingham, Aberdeen.  
 J. P. Bankerd, Yakima.  
 H. C. Keeler, Chelan.  
 C. L. Thompson, Seattle.  
 Wm. M. Badger, Yakima.  
 R. N. Ashmore, Chehalis.  
 E. R. Harding, Orting.  
 George White, Retsil.  
 John Hardman, Retsil.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. W. Sparling, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	H. A. Bigelow, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
George D. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	B. C. Bedell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
H. A. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Thomas H. Cavanaugh, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
A. M. Brooks, Seattle, 1885.	Frank M. Davis, <sup>1</sup> Seattle, 1904.
C. M. Holton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	J. T. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
A. P. Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	C. B. Dunning, Spokane, 1906.
J. W. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	W. H. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
S. C. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George H. Boardman, Tacoma, 1908.
M. M. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Lyman Banks, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
D. G. Lovell, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	W. H. Wiscombe, Spokane, 1910.
J. S. Brown, Rochester, 1892.	F. H. Hurd, <sup>1</sup> Seattle, 1911.
Joseph F. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	R. R. Harding, Port Angeles, 1912.
J. N. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	J. E. Stewart, Spokane, 1913.
Norman Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	H. R. Gale, Bremerton, 1914.
C. T. Patterson, South Tacoma, 1896.	H. W. North, Everett, 1915.
John F. McLean, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. E. Gandy, <sup>1 3</sup> Spokane, 1916.
George W. Tibbetts, Seattle, 1898.	John J. See, Anacortes, 1917.
J. W. Langley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Samuel F. Street, Edmonds, 1918.
R. B. Freeman, Spokane, 1900.	

E. A. Shores, Tacoma, 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.

John Phelps, Orting, 1889, transferred from Missouri.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Gandy, national council of administration

## WEST VIRGINIA (28).

[Organized Apr. 9, 1868. Reorganized Feb. 29, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 647; Posts, 27.]

Department commander.....	L. B. Moore <sup>1 3</sup> .....	Parkersburg.
Senior vice department commander..	W. S. Grafton <sup>1</sup> .....	Wheeling.
Junior vice department commander..	H. S. White.....	Matewan.
Assistant adjutant general .....	I. M. Adams <sup>1</sup> .....	Ravenswood.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

S. Lemon,<sup>1</sup> Wheeling.  
 W. S. King,<sup>1</sup> Belleville.  
 David Thomas,<sup>1</sup> Wheeling.

## ALTERNATES.

Eber D. Morgan, Fairmont.  
 J. P. Stewart, Moundsville.  
 A. G. Chapman, Huntington.



WEST VIRGINIA—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. H. Flick, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	M. B. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
C. B. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	C. C. Mathews, Moundsville, 1902.
John Carlin, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Alexander C. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
G. W. Taggart, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	O. H. Michaelson, Charleston, 1904.
Lee Haymond, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. W. Shroyer, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
R. E. Fleming, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Thomas M. Mills, New Martinsville, 1906.
S. S. Hazen, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Isaac M. Adams, <sup>4</sup> Ravenswood, 1907.
George J. Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Thomas R. Marks, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
I. H. Duval, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	D. Mayer, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Chas. E. Anderson, Weston, 1892.	J. L. Caldwell, Huntington, 1910.
Anthony Smith, Harrisville, 1893.	Thomas V. Salisbury, Wheeling, 1911.
F. H. Crago, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	E. A. Billingslea, <sup>1</sup> Fairmont, 1912.
R. E. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	John Millan, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
R. H. Freer, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Thos. G. Hammond, <sup>1</sup> Moundsville, 1914.
Thomas A. Maulsby, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	C. T. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Richard Robertson, Wheeling, 1898.	James T. Piggott, <sup>1</sup> Parkersburg, 1916.
Charles R. LaValley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	S. R. Hanen, <sup>1</sup> Glen Easton, 1917.
Arnold Brandley, <sup>1</sup> Elkins, 1900.	W. T. Cox, <sup>2</sup> 1918 (died in office).

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Moore, national council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Adams, assistant adjutant general.

WISCONSIN (2).

[Organized June 7, 1866. Membership, Dec. 31, 1918, 3,382; Posts, 173.]

Department commander.....	Robert L. Campbell <sup>1</sup> .....	Green Bay.
Senior vice department commander.....	M. L. Snyder <sup>1</sup> .....	Waukesha.
Junior vice department commander.....	Alvin Alder.....	Edgerton.
Assistant adjutant general.....	W. J. McKay <sup>1</sup> .....	Madison.

REPRESENTATIVES.

J. M. Whitley,<sup>1</sup> De Pere.  
Charles F. Steele, Waukesha.  
Henry Stannard,<sup>1</sup> Greenbush.  
H. R. Bird,<sup>1</sup> Madison.  
H. E. Putnam,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee.  
Frank N. Fox,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee.  
H. L. Bacon, Oshkosh.  
Frank Wilcox, Mauston.  
John W. Evans, Waupaca.  
Dennis Meidam, Appleton.  
L. A. Brace, Eau Claire.  
Robert Inglis, Bayfield.

ALTERNATES.

Arthur Quigley, Milwaukee.  
Fred Wardrobe, Wausheka.  
G. T. Scott, Fort Arkansas.  
S. D. Gault, Richland Center.  
John M. Galloway, Milwaukee.  
Henry Haas, Milwaukee.  
Robert Law, Neenah.  
William Thompson, New Lisbon.  
Leander Swope, Wausau.  
Herman Heckert, Appleton.  
S. C. F. Cobban, Chippewa Falls.  
O. A. Britton, Superior.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James K. Proudfit, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
H. A. Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	H. P. Fisher, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
J. M. Rusk, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Michael Griffin, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
T. S. Allen <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	A. G. Weissert, <sup>1 4</sup> Milwaukee, 1888.
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	Leander Ferguson, Brandon, 1889.
A. J. McCoy, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Benjamin F. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
G. A. Hannaford, Boise, Idaho, 1874-75.	W. H. Upham, <sup>1</sup> Marshfield, 1891.
John Hancock, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	C. B. Welton, <sup>1</sup> 1892.
Henry G. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	E. A. Shores, <sup>5</sup> Tacoma, Wash., 1893.
F. S. Hammond, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	J. A. Watrous, Milwaukee, 1894.
Griff J. Thomas, <sup>3</sup> Harvard, Nebr., 1879-1881.	W. D. Hoard, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
H. M. Enos, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	D. Lloyd Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
Phil Cheek, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	E. B. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
James Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	C. H. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
	Henry Harnden, <sup>2</sup> 1899.



## WISCONSIN—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

S. H. Tallmadge,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 D. G. James,<sup>2 6</sup> Richland Center, 1900.  
 A. H. DeGroff,<sup>7</sup> San Jose, Calif., 1901.  
 J. H. Agen,<sup>2</sup> Houston, Tex., 1902.  
 J. P. Rundle, Milwaukee, 1903.  
 Pliny Norcross,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 F. A. Copeland, LaCrosse, 1905.  
 John W. Ganes, Ripon, 1906.  
 John C. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Madison, 1907.  
 E. D. Coe,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 R. B. Laing, Racine, 1909.

William H. Grinnell,<sup>1</sup> Beloit, 1909.  
 Frank A. Walsh, Milwaukee, 1910.  
 Hiram J. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Racine, 1911.  
 Geo. Spratt,<sup>1</sup> Sheboygan Falls, 1912.  
 Charles H. Henry, Eau Claire, 1913.  
 S. A. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 W. J. McKay,<sup>8</sup> Madison, 1915.  
 O. L. Rosenkrans, Milwaukee, 1916.  
 William A. Wyse, Reedsburg, 1917.  
 George D. Breed, Chilton, 1918.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Thomas. See Nebraska.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Weissert, past commander in chief.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade Shores. See Washington and Alaska.

<sup>6</sup> Comrade James, national council of administration.

<sup>7</sup> Comrade DeGroff. See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> Comrade McKay, assistant adjutant general.

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<sup>1</sup> Died January 26, 1919.

DEPARTMENTS IN ORDER OF SENIORITY, ACCORDING TO DATES OF  
PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AS HERETOFORE ANNOUNCED.

No.	Department.	Organized.
1	Illinois.....	Apr. 6, 1866
2	Wisconsin.....	June 7, 1866
3	Pennsylvania.....	Jan. 16, 1867
4	Ohio.....	Jan. 30, 1867
5	New York.....	Apr. 3, 1867
6	Connecticut.....	Apr. 11, 1867
7	Massachusetts.....	May 7, 1867
8	New Jersey.....	Dec. 10, 1867
9	Maine.....	Jan. 10, 1868
10	California and Nevada.....	Feb. 21, 1868
11	Rhode Island.....	Mar. 24, 1868
12	New Hampshire.....	June 30, 1868
13	Vermont.....	Oct. 23, 1868
14	Potomac, provisional department, organized Aug. 6, 1867.....	Feb. 13, 1869
15	Virginia and North Carolina..... As department of Virginia; name changed to Vigrinia and North Carolina May 20, 1892.	July 27, 1871
16	Maryland, organized Jan. 8, 1868.....	June 9, 1876 <sup>1</sup>
17	Nebraska.....	June 11, 1877
18	Michigan, organized May 6, 1868.....	Jan. 22, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
19	Iowa, organized Sept. 26, 1866.....	Jan. 23, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
20	Indiana, organized Aug. 20, 1866.....	Oct. 3, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
21	Colorado and Wyoming..... As department of the Mountains; name changed to Colo- rado July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyo- ming Aug. 28, 1889.	Dec. 11, 1879
22	Kansas, organized Dec. 7, 1866.....	Mar. 16, 1880 <sup>1</sup>
23	Delaware.....	Jan. 14, 1881
24	Minnesota, organized Aug. 4, 1867.....	Aug. 17, 1881 <sup>1</sup>
25	Missouri, organized May 16, 1867.....	Apr. 22, 1882 <sup>1</sup>
26	Oregon.....	Sept. 28, 1882
27	Kentucky.....	Jan. 16, 1883
28	West Virginia, organized Apr. 9, 1868.....	Feb. 20, 1883 <sup>1</sup>
29	South Dakota..... As department of Dakota; name changed to South Da- kota Apr. 11, 1890.....	Feb. 27, 1883
30	Washington and Alaska.....	June 20, 1883
31	Arkansas.....	July 11, 1883
32	New Mexico.....	July 14, 1883
33	Utah.....	Oct. 8, 1883
34	Tennessee.....	Feb. 26, 1884
35	Louisiana and Mississippi..... As department of the Gulf; name changed to Louisiana and Mississippi June 13, 1888.	May 15, 1884
36	Florida.....	June 19, 1884
37	Montana.....	Mar. 10, 1885
38	Texas.....	Mar. 25, 1885
39	Idaho.....	Jan. 11, 1888
40	Arizona.....	Jan. 17, 1888
41	Georgia and South Carolina.....	Jan. 25, 1889
42	Alabama.....	Mar. 12, 1889
43	North Dakota.....	Apr. 23, 1890
44	Oklahoma..... As department of Oklahoma and Indian Territory; name changed to Oklahoma July 3, 1891.	Aug. 7, 1890
45	Indian Territory..... Consolidated with and merged into the department of Oklahoma May 19-22, 1908.	July 3, 1891

<sup>1</sup> Reorganized.





# RECEPTION *and* SEMI- OFFICIAL MEETING

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RECEPTION AND SEMIOFFICAL MEETING  
OF THE  
FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
HELD IN MEMORIAL HALL, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
MONDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 8, 1919.

FORMER GOVERNOR JAMES E. CAMPBELL, OF OHIO, CHAIRMAN.

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Memorial Hall was attractively decorated, and every available seat was taken long before the hour for the opening of the meeting had arrived. The audience was entertained by band music during the long wait.

After singing "The Star-Spangled Banner" by the audience, the band accompanying, the invocation was delivered by Chaplain in Chief Philip A. Nordell, of Brookline, Mass., as follows:

Shall we all unite in prayer? Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we invoke Thy presence upon us as we gather this evening in this great patriotic assembly. We thank Thee for the country that blesses us and which we have been permitted to help build up and save. We thank Thee for all that it means to us and for the splendid inheritance it brings us from our fathers in the past. It may not be all that we should desire it to be, not all that is perfect by any means, but we rejoice that it is the greatest and the best and the noblest Government and country that our struggling humanity has ever known. We thank Thee for all that it means to not only us but to the nations of the world, our flag a beacon light of liberty to the oppressed nations. We beseech Thee that it may ever be to the nations of the world a land of liberty, a land that holds out the rays of hope and of blessing and of liberty. We pray, our Father, that as we were permitted in our boyhood to help save this country and to make it the great and splendid inheritance that it is, that it may be passed on to generations after us and be the greatest and the best in all the world's history.

Grant, we pray Thee, Thy blessing upon the meeting of the evening, upon all the exercises here and upon all the organizations represented here to-night. We thank Thee for the splendid patriotism that has been represented not only by those who years ago were permitted to offer themselves for the country and for the flag, but for the young men who in our day have shown the same spirit of noble sacrifice and of patriotism; and in every future crisis of our country be Thou our strength and our hope and our help as Thou hast been in the ages past.

We ask in the name of Him who is our Redeemer and our Lord. Amen.

The CHAIRMAN. Comrades, ladies and gentlemen: I owe you an apology for being late, but was caught in a jam on the street. For the first time in a long while it looks as if we had too many people in Columbus to-night. We have had some little disappointments in days gone by in promised crowds and we have had hard work to make some of the people of this city believe we were going to have a crowd here at this encampment. And I was rather glad I was held up. It was the best evidence in the world that the Grand Army of the Republic and its affiliated orders recognized that Columbus was

a hospitable city which would welcome them with open arms. [Applause.]

Now the business of a chairman is to preside and refrain from speech making. You will be welcomed according to the program, first on behalf of the great State of Ohio by its able, vigorous young governor, James M. Cox. I have known him from his boyhood and every day I esteem and love him more. Therefore you can imagine the pleasure with which I present to you the governor of Ohio.

Gov. JAMES M. COX, of Ohio. Mr. Chairman, the great State which gave birth to Grant, to Sherman, to Sheridan, to McPherson, bids a warm welcome to you, the representatives of the great army which helped to add undying fame to their records as military leaders. The State gave them to the Nation, but other States helped supply the great army which was to give this distinguished quartette their opportunity. In behalf of these distinguished sons I express to the members of the vast army what they would express to you if they could speak from beyond the stars to-night.

We gain an unaffected happiness by gathering you together at our capital city. We are impressed with the fraternity that binds you men together, possessing seemingly the qualities of real comradeship, and then it is an inspiration to us of the younger generation to see the evidence which you give of the stability of the human race, and this carries with it a thought that we can well reflect upon. You must in your average ages approach or approximate four score, and yet you possess in a marked degree an enthusiasm for the things of life and an interest in the conditions which are to be, an unselfish interest in the conditions that are to be, because they will affect the next generation and not yourselves, which becomes an example to those of us who must attempt at least to take your places in the affairs of society.

You men, or your forebears, came from the period when muscle supplemented firm resolution in clearing the forests and building an enduring civilization out of the swamps of America. That experience of necessity made you a rugged race of people, and well might we ask ourselves whether we will ever see the like of you again. And yet you produced through your sons and your grandsons a generation of soldiers that shaped the civilization of the world. [Applause.]

If I were a delegate from Kentucky to this great convention, I might be persuaded on that occasion to make the observation that the stock gives evidence that it will breed on. [Applause.]

Somehow this seems to be the greatest of your encampments. Perhaps it is so because our minds have been turned to the militant things of war in the last five years and we have been brought to a better understanding as to what a soldier means to his country. But in all probability this is more joyous than all preceding occasions of its kind because in the happy contemplation of America having saved the civilization of the earth. We realize that it was you who made it possible. [Applause.] The United States of America saved the civilization of the globe. You men, thank God, saved the Nation that saved the earth. [Applause.]

There would seem to be a divinity in design connecting the events of 50 years or more ago with those we have but recently lived through. If this country had been dismembered in the sixties, and it would have been except for you and your comrades, America then could



not have made the response which she made to the call from over the seas. I speak of these matters in order that you will understand this, the uppermost thought, at least in my mind and I believe in the minds of those for whom I speak, that in every single emotion of gratitude that swells our hearts for the boys of the late war we realize that it was you who made their achievement possible. [Applause.]

It may be that the evidences of affection that you see on every hand in this hospitable city are due to the fact that the golden rays of the approaching sunset show to us the lines in your faces, certain and unmistakable impress of the service that you rendered to us not only in time of stress but that which you rendered to the Nation in maintaining its public opinion 100 per cent American. [Applause.] You have no fear of death because you faced it many times, and to us of the younger generation you seem as unafraid to answer the call of the Great Commander as you were to follow the command of your chieftains in the Civil War.

And after all, that period preceding the eventide has its compensation. The dawn of the morning and of life itself has only its uncertainties, whereas sunset brings its realized accomplishments. You are sitting near by the sunset with the devoted companions of your life at your side, your children, too, and your grandchildren, with their arms around your neck, manifesting their pride in what you have done and their love for you, and as you pass from this to the next scene yours will certainly be a happiness enjoyed only in the rarer epochs of human history.

And yet your race is not yet run. We must lean upon you in the days of the immediate future, claiming the counsels of your riper judgment. You made response to the question in the sixties as to whether human slavery as an American institution should die. The Almighty gave to mankind a Lincoln to destroy it. And now we must muster every ounce of the power of resistance within our veins and within our resolve in order to combat another threatened institution—a microbe, if you please—the microbe of bolshevism. [Applause.]

In America we realize that we must progress by evolution and not revolution. Let us give the best within us to change the things that should be altered by the orderly and calm processes of human reasoning, and condemn as a traitor and an enemy to this country any man who inveighs against the institutions of the American Republic. [Applause.]

In behalf of the hospitable people of this great State, and I wish I had the facility of words that would enable me to tie phrase to their emotions, we indulge the hope that your meeting here is fraught with many pleasures and that as you turn your faces homeward again you will carry with you the certain reflection that as we love you here in this State so do the people love you elsewhere in the other States. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. The city of Columbus has a number of assets in its banks, factories, and shops, in its citizenship, in its location, and in many other respects, but there is one asset that the city of Columbus has that is worth all the rest and that asset is George J. Karb. I shall introduce him as mayor, but that goes without saying. He has been mayor ever since I can remember. We nominally go through the process of electing mayors in Columbus, but as a matter of fact it is



a mere motion that we pass over and the returns always show George Karb away ahead and nobody else in the race. Now you may imagine after that what sort of people we are in Columbus, and I make proffer, as the lawyers say, of our great mayor, George J. Karb. [Applause.]

Mayor GEORGE J. KARB, of Columbus. Mr. Chairman, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, members of the Woman's Relief Corps, ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and all members of similar auxiliary organizations: Sitting here and looking this magnificent audience in the face it struck me that Prof. Hoenig, the song leader, could have very appropriately sung "The Gang's All Here." It looks like it from here, I assure you.

Now, to begin with I am given five minutes to make my address of welcome. I didn't know that I was ever charged with talking too long on an occasion of this kind, but the order is issued, and like all of you good soldiers I expect to and will obey that order.

Sometimes one need not say a word of welcome, but prove by his actions, by his every act and demeanor toward his guest, whether he is welcome or not. [Applause.]

First I want to publicly and cheerfully thank and compliment and congratulate every member of the Grand Army of the Republic of the city of Columbus and the county of Franklin for bringing you here. [Applause.] I want to assure you that we were mighty happy when the committee, consisting of Gen. Mathews, Col. Hall, and Col. Halladay, sent word back that "we have got the bacon and we are going to bring it to Columbus."

Now you are here with us, and I have profound pleasure and great honor, I assure you, in taking just a little part in this your fifty-third encampment in extending to you just a few words of welcome on behalf of the city of Columbus, the capital city of this great, good, old Buckeye Commonwealth of Ohio. [Applause.] We want to prove to you, ladies and gentlemen, who are our guests this week, as I stated, with our actions whether you know down deep in your hearts that you are welcome to this city that we all love so much.

I assure you every man, woman, and child in Columbus appreciates what you have done during the war of '61 to '65. We can scarcely realize but we do appreciate your sufferings and your sacrifices that you made during that great struggle for the preservation of this Union. We realize that then, as in the late war, you were fighting for justice and liberty and that flag which I am sure this week during your presence here never looked quite as beautiful to us as it does to-night. [Applause.]

I would that I could talk to you for a half an hour in making you feel that you are welcome, but you have a very long and a very beautiful program consisting of about 20 numbers. I know who you want to listen to. Most of them are mighty handsome and sweet ladies who are going to address you to-night, and I know all of these young fellows who were in the war are just dying to hear what the girls have got to say on this occasion.

But let me impress down deep in your hearts that we are indeed glad that you came back home after waiting for 31 years. We to-day have the pleasure of saying to ourselves, if we can not appreciate all of the emotions in our hearts as we pass you on the streets and see you on the highways and the byways, that this is possibly the last



encampment that we have the honor to do you the honor of entertaining you, and on behalf of every man, woman, and child in this "good old Columbus town" that we all love so much I want to extend to you the warmest and most sincere hospitable greeting and welcome that can come from my heart, and I hope and trust that during this encampment you will have the best time that you ever had and that this meeting will be a most profitable one to you.

You can rest assured that not only the members of the Grand Army of the Republic of this city and county, but we all know and say to you that as long as time shall last and history endure your names will always be upon honor's roll. I thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. I wish to withdraw all the nice things I said about Karb. I am chairman of this meeting, and if there is anybody going to compliment the good-looking women that are going to speak, that is my business. [Laughter.] And after I had made the most fulsome and complimentary speech about Karb he butts in and takes away the best part of my business.

The next item on the program is music by the band, "Hail to the Chief." [The band then played the selection.]

When they play "Hail to the Chief" before this audience they can only mean one man, and that is the chief of the order of the Grand Army of the Republic in the United States of America. As a boy, a mere stripling, he went to the war, made a fine record, came home, settled down, minded his own business—and that is a great art in this country—succeeded in it, grew in grace and reputation, took an active part in the many things that grew out of the recent war, and at last achieved an honor that any man who ever lived in this country might be proud of; and I take great pride in introducing Clarendon E. Adams, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS, of Omaha, Nebr. I just want to impart the fact to this splendid audience after witnessing the demonstrations of your mayor in watering the stock on this platform, that for 18 months we have been running our Nebraska windmills with water. [Applause.] And coming to this splendid State of Ohio I have been contemplating securing a patent—you know you are the State of great automobile factories, and I have been succeeding pretty well in determining just how long an individual could be run on a gallon of gas. [Laughter.]

Mr. Chairman, honored governor of the State of Ohio, honored mayor of the city of Columbus, comrades of the wars, officers and members of the allied societies of the Grand Army of the Republic—and after witnessing the splendid decorations that line your streets and beautify your residences and public buildings, I feel absolutely warranted in addressing you as patriots and Americans all. [Applause.]

I am profoundly sensible, Mr. Mayor and Mr. Governor, of the great honor that it is to be called a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, but, sirs, when that honor is supported by 100 per cent American citizens it becomes the supreme honor of the world. And, gentlemen, you are entertaining here to-night as your guests, and during this week in your city, literally tens of thousands of men that maintain and sustain that supreme title. [Applause.]

I know about what is passing in the minds of my comrades here to-night. When the chairman referred to the fact that I was but a small stripling of a boy, that was the case with nearly all of these



men here before me to-night, and the rallying cry in those days was from the lips of that mighty old man, afterwards governor of the State of New York, John A. Dix, who said, "If any man attempts to haul down the American flag, shoot him on the spot." Those were the days when these men were young. There is another mighty sentiment that is swelling our breasts to-day, and I will proclaim it to you to-night from the high office that I hold, "If any man attempts to raise the red flag of anarchy in this country, shoot him on the spot." [Great and prolonged applause.]

I know, Mr. Mayor, that it is unnecessary for me to attempt to speak words of praise to your splendid city and its citizenship. Mr. Governor, I know that it is unnecessary for me to attempt eulogy upon your great State of Ohio. But, sir, when I look down the lines of the Civil War history of this State, 314,000 volunteer soldiers start into line. They stood shoulder to shoulder during that mighty war and assisted in saving us our glorious Union undivided and our flag unsullied. Their services were great and grand. That perhaps would be sufficient for almost any State in this Union.

But in passing down in front of your capitol building to-day my eye caught sight of that splendid galaxy of men that stand sentinel to the approach of your capitol building, heroes all. Their names and their fame have reached the farthest boundaries of the earth, and I can truthfully say that if we could enshrine within a manly and majestic form the history of this country from 1861 to 1865 where would we find so complete an embodiment of the greatest generals of the war?

Gen. Grant, that mighty man, that silent leader, that man who knew when to strike and when to quit, that man who said, "This war can only end in one way, and that is unconditional surrender." [Applause.] Why did that mighty man say that? It was because he did not believe in compromising with wrong. That is why he did it. That was a splendid foundation then for the lasting words which followed, and the words that have held the peace of this country for the last 50 years, and those words were "Let us have peace," words that were understood by every American citizen, every child in the land that could read. And we have had peace from that day to this, and that peace will continue for centuries to come as it has continued for the last half century.

Standing alongside of that mighty man is that great strategist, William Tecumseh Sherman, whose campaigns and his battles and his march to the sea startled the world and settled the destinies of a nation. Beside him, is that splendid cavalry leader, the mightiest man in the world in his line, Phil Sheridan, the hero of the Shenandoah Valley, and your splendid citizen, Gen. Kiefer, will bear me out in that fact, because he served in that campaign with Sheridan.

Then again stands that lovable, that supreme soldier, that splendid man, Gen. James B. McPherson, with whom we parted on that fatal 22d day of July at Atlanta. To make that splendid coterie of men more complete, there are also three of our great statesmen there: Presidents Hayes and Garfield and that lovable comrade President of ours, William McKinley. There stand also like mighty sentinels binding the history of your State to our Nation a trio of the greatest Secretaries this country has ever produced, Edwin M. Stanton, Lincoln's iron-willed Secretary of War; Salmon P. Chase, the mighty jurist and



counselor of his day; and John Sherman, the skillful financier, the splendid statesman, and the learned diplomat. And those are Ohio's contribution to this great Nation of ours. [Applause.]

But, sirs, in the history of the men that are with us to-night I must connect with your splendid coterie of men from Ohio 2,500,000 volunteer soldiers from the North that helped to settle, maintain, and preserve the American Union. These men are the men that you see before you to-night. They came to the standard of their country under the call of Abraham Lincoln. [Applause.] And when I pronounce his name I do it with the deepest reverence possible, and I want to tell you, my fellow citizens, that the liberty loving people not only of this country but of the world at large, yea, the Congress of the United States, the people that are sitting around and have been sitting around the peace tables of Europe and considering the league of nations and the peace of the world, can all well afford to halt long enough each day to raise their eyes reverently toward Heaven and thank Almighty God for the day and the hour that honest Abraham Lincoln was made President of the United States. [Applause.]

These men in the heyday of their youth answered the call of Lincoln. They left their homes, their firesides, their families, and all that men hold dear on earth, and they formed a battle line that was 3,000 miles in extent. They manned that battle line with 1,700 regiments of infantry, 480 regiments of cavalry, 900 batteries of artillery, and the United States Navy. That line commenced on the Ohio River and zigzagged down through the Mason and Dixon line, on beyond Indian Territory, the State of Texas, the Territories of Arizona and New Mexico, and doubled back along the entire sea-coast. And for four long years that line was firmly defended. For four long years the Southland fairly quaked under the feet of marching men. The rocks and the trees trembled and shook from the concussion of cannon and the bursting of shells. The sky was black with the sulphurous smoke of battle, and the tide of war rolled to and fro across the land like the surging billows of the mighty deep, maiming, killing, and wounding human life; and in more than 2,500 battles of the war these men saved us a stronger and better union than ever before.

Now, Mr. Governor and Mr. Mayor, these splendid organizations, the Grand Army of the Republic and its allied societies, have come here to blend their patriotism and their enthusiasm with your patriotism and your Americanism to make this one of the greatest patriotic meetings that was ever held upon this continent. [Applause.] And, sirs, I want to thank you most heartily in behalf of these organizations for your splendid words of welcome and good cheer.

But it is not alone because of the felicitous manner in which you have addressed us to-night that we feel proud. Our hearts grew stronger the minute we felt the handshake of your splendid people, and still stronger when we felt the unexcelled generosity of this city. Those are the things that make us feel that the heartbeat of the nation is in Columbus to-night. [Applause.]

We are here also to instill as far as possible the firm and splendid proposition of America for Americans [applause], a country of one language and that the American language [applause], a country of but one flag and that the American flag. [Applause.]



The CHAIRMAN. Those very eulogistic remarks made by the commander in regard to the State of Ohio are received with thanks and with the modesty that has always become the Ohio man.

The next item on the program is music by the Elks Chorus of this city.

The chorus sang several numbers, all of which were heartily applauded by the audience.

The CHAIRMAN. We will interrupt the printed program for a moment for a very nice little unexpected episode. I take pleasure in introducing Gen. Hosley, chief of staff to the commander in chief.

Chief of Staff GEORGE A. HOSLEY, of Boston. Mr. Governor, honorable mayor, Gen. Kiefer, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and friends: This is one of the happiest moments of my life. I stand as I might say on consecrated ground. Although hailing from the Old Bay State where we are bound with historic points of interest, still Ohio is not far behind in its points of historical interest also. She soon followed in her early history in events that made history in this great country of ours. Only a short period after the Revolution she renowned herself on the lake that borders here on your State under Perry. Then during the Civil War, and you have heard stated by the commander in chief the distinguished men sent from this State. Every President of the United States, from Abraham Lincoln down to Grover Cleveland, with the exception of one, was a Grand Army man and all born in the State of Ohio.

As I said, this is a proud moment. It becomes my duty now, although I have had many hours of pleasure traveling with our beloved commander in chief through the New England States and other places, where I found him one of the most companionable of men, respected and loved by all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the allied associations. If I was to tell him of one-half of the complimentary letters that I have received from his staff and and his official family his head would expand so that it would certainly have to be hooped.

So following in the footsteps, as I might say of my own footsteps for the last three years, and in those of my predecessors, I am about to present to you, Commander in Chief, an emblem of our order, and I take great pleasure at this moment in presenting you with this badge of our order, which is presented to you this evening by the members of your official family and staff. I take great pleasure in pinning this upon your breast, and may you wear it above a heart that has ever beat loyal and true to the Grand Army of the Republic and for this Nation which you love so well. [Applause.]

Your wife, while you have been wandering over this country, east and west and north and south, has remained at home in the seclusion of her home. You have been the admiration of these lovely women that Comrade Campbell, our late governor, has spoken of. You will say that you have not; but, Mrs. Adams, I know he has. But you have stayed at home and taken care of the ranks in his absence. Now, then, he is about to be roped in, headed in, and I know you will have to have a chain to keep him in his place, and I take great pleasure in presenting you this pendant from the members of his staff and official family, with their kindest and best greetings. [Applause.]



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Chief of Staff and Comrade Hosley: Even an experienced speaker under circumstances of this kind, and especially in my case, I can not find words to express my appreciation, sir, of this splendid badge. I know it has not only a money but an intrinsic value which I certainly appreciate and admire, but, Comrade Hosley, I realize also through you and my official staff there comes a sentiment with this memento that can not be measured in money or words, a sentiment that can not be told in language. It can not be written in the books. If we would know, sir, what that sentiment is, and as we feel it in our hearts, we must go to the march and the camp, the bivouac and the battle field, where these splendid comrades of ours gained the word "comradeship." There we will find its true merit. There we will find the coin and the treasure of which this badge is wrought. Love to home is love to country. Love of a comrade is love to God, and it is one of the highest and most exalted attributes of humanity. Sir, through you and to you I desire to express my profound appreciation of this badge, and also support it with the thanks of a loyal wife, two sons, and two daughters. I thank you. [Applause.]

Mrs. ABBIE A. ADAMS, of Omaha, Nebr. Chief of staff and commander in chief: There are no words with which I can express my emotions. When you so kindly asked me this afternoon if I would be present this evening, it came to me how thoughtful you were to have me present to witness the honors to be paid to the commander in chief. All during the year I have heard of your courtesies and your many deeds of kindness, and I know the commander in chief has found in you a true comrade. For myself I want to say to you I never expected to be remembered in this way. I know that you and the members of his official staff have thought of me as his wife and given me this token as a reminder not of me, but of his good deeds and of my respect for you. I thank you all, and I wish that I had words more appropriate so that I might better thank you. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. I am sure that we all concur in the opinion that these tokens of esteem have been well and worthily bestowed, and beautifully and graciously received. I congratulate Mrs. Adams on her first public appearance as a speaker. My private opinion is that she made a better speech than the old man.

I expect you all had a little experience with war nurses when you were out in 1861-1865. There is no man in this house who can speak more feelingly of the war nurses of the Civil War than I can. I have no words--my vocabulary is not copious enough--to express the sentiments that well up in my bosom. It is just 55 years ago since I lay in a hospital at Memphis condemned to death by three doctors, and a war nurse took hold of me and snatched me back to life. [Applause.] Thank God for the war nurses. They will be represented here in greetings by Mrs. Alice Cary Risley, the young lady whom I now present to you.

Mrs. ALICE CARY RISLEY, president of the National Association of Army Nurses, of Jefferson City, Mo. Commander in chief, Mr. Governor, Mr. Mayor, members of all the allied societies, and our comrades: I feel it a great honor to come here to-night and bring you greetings from the National Association of Army Nurses.



Now, I intended to make a long speech, but they only gave me five minutes, like the mayor. You see there is so much to be done and so many things to be told about that I am kind of a back number. But I have got one thing I want to tell you confidentially. I don't want any newspaper reporter to get hold of it. Did it ever occur to you that the Army nurse is the same age as yourself, that we were in the same war at the same time that you were, and that the coming to these encampments means the same to us that it does to you, and when we meet a comrade who remembers the great God, we feel fully repaid for coming here?

Our hearts are just as loyal to you to-day as they were in the days when we were helping in the war, and so to each comrade I bring greetings from the National Association of Army Nurses, and I want to say something. If there are any comrades here of the Sixteenth, Forty-second, Eighty-third, and One hundred and fourteenth Ohio who were in the hospitals at New Orleans, I wish them to hunt me up at the Hotel Deshler. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. You know the women had a lot to do with the war and they have had a lot to do since. There are four organizations of ladies represented here. That may account for the size of the crowd. You know St. Paul in one of his epistles said that wherever the women were gathered there the men would be found. I am not very certain in my reading and it has been a long while since I have been acquainted as well as I ought to be with the epistle and I am not sure St. Paul said that at all. But I am sure of this that if he didn't say it he missed an excellent opportunity to enunciate a great truth.

Now, I am not going to play favorites among these ladies. There are four of them who will address you. I am simply going to announce their names. I would as soon try to decide what was the best looking baby at a baby show as to undertake to make remarks appropriately or attempted to be appropriate of the ladies who will speak to you. The first is Mrs. Eliza Brown Daggett, national president of the Women's Relief Corps. [Applause.]

Mrs. ELIZA BROWN DAGGETT, of Attleboro, Mass. Mr. Chairman, your honor Gov. Cox, Mayor Karb, Commander in Chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and allied patriotic organizations: It is indeed a great honor and a privilege for me to stand before you to-night and bring you the greetings of 175,000 loyal, patriotic women, members of the Women's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Our love and reverence for the Grand Army of the Republic know no bounds. We deem it a great honor and privilege to work with and for the Grand Army of the Republic, and as my time is brief this evening I will but say that to express our love in a tangible form I will present in the name of the National Women's Relief Corps, Commander in Chief, \$1,000 from your auxiliary. [Applause.]

There is no organization so near and so dear to the Grand Army of the Republic as the Civil War nurses, the Association of Army Nurses. They, in their young womanhood, went forth at the call of our country, went upon the fields of battle, ministered to the sick and dying soldier, shared with them in long marches and gave to them all that they had of their young womanhood to comfort them in their dying and in their living and in their homecoming. And to-day there is but a remnant of



these splendid women left, grown gray with these veterans of the Civil War, as loyal and as patriotic to-day as when they answered the call of their country over 58 years ago. And it is my pleasure, Mrs. Risley, in the name of the National Woman's Relief Corps to present to the Association of Army Nurses \$100. [Applause.]

I have brought the greetings of this great army of patriotic women to these splendid organizations. I have yet to show the appreciation of the Women's Relief Corps for what the city of Columbus has done for the Grand Army of the Republic at this time, and I wish to thank you, Mayor Karb, and to extend to you, the governor of the State of Ohio, our greatest and most heartfelt appreciation for all that you have done at this time. For Mayor Karb with his wonderful—oh, so great responsibility, has taken time to give the handclasp and the pleasant smile to everyone that he has met, and I do appreciate it from the bottom of my heart. And I will say to you, Governor, and to the mayor of this great city, that this Nation and this great State of Ohio is the richer and the more enduring because of the patriotic women that are within your midst, and with all my heart I thank you, and it will be our object and our desire in all future years to carry aloft the Stars and Stripes and teach the young American that that flag stands for liberty under the law, and it is ever our aim that there shall be but one country, one language, one flag, and America for Americans. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. The next greeting will be from Mrs. Rose Houghton, national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. ROSE HOUGHTON, national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Seattle, Wash. Mr. Governor of the State of Ohio, Mr. Mayor of the city of Columbus, Mr. Chairman, our national commander in chief, and all the allied orders and friends, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and your wives: I salute you. In the name of your wives, your mothers, your sisters, and your daughters, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic bring to you their greetings, an organization which of course is composed of the blood kin of you veterans of the Civil War.

An honor was conferred upon me when they placed in my hands the gavel and made me the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army, an honor of which I am proud. There is nothing in the world that I would appreciate more than to say that I was the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Why? Because you veterans of the Civil War, you young men who are here to-night, the work that you accomplished during the Civil War and the wonderful work that you have carried on in these years, when we think of the boys, your grandsons and your sons who went across the waters and carried that flag that you placed in their hands, when we think of all the grand deeds that they have done, well might we be proud of them when we know that they are the relatives, grandsons, or nephews of you veterans.

Comrades, I have not very much to say to you to-night because I expect to speak to you the night of the campfire. But I want to say this to you: I am glad that my father wore that bronze button. [Applause.] I lost my father—he died during this year—and I am thankful that he lived long enough to see me national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. And, comrades, I



want to say to you that we as an organization stand ready to do everything we can to perpetuate and carry on this noble work which you have done. We are going to keep that flag forever floating, and see that no other flag comes into the United States but that one flag. [Applause.]

I had two sons in this late war and they both have returned from France, and I am proud of my boys. I am proud of my boys for the record that they made. But they did not make it alone. The teaching of their grandfather made those boys the brave boys that they were, and the teaching of you, my comrades. And I want to say to you that our country, the United States, is the one big country the world is looking to to-day, and is looking forward to, and we have you veterans to thank for it.

Mr. Mayor, when we were here you told us that you would do everything in your power to make it pleasant for us while we were here, and would show us just as good a time as the citizens of Portland. Being a western woman, living so near the city of Portland, I know what wonderful work they did, how well they took care of us. But I want to say to you that you have and are doing just as much, and we appreciate every bit of it and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts, and we will always remember the citizens of Columbus and the big State of Ohio, the one great State. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief, my year's work has been pleasant, and I want to thank you for your kindness and for the courtesy which you extended to the Ladies of the Grand Army during the year. And the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Daggett, I extend the warmest feeling to her. She has been to me just like a real sister, and I want to say that to me the organizations are just like one great big family, and we are going to work together in peace and harmony from now forever. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. The response to the greetings of Mrs. Risley, Mrs. Daggett, and Mrs. Houghton will be made by Past National Commander John E. Gilman, who is well and favorably known to every member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN E. GILMAN, of Boston, Mass. Mr. Chairman, at the direction of our commander in chief I have been called upon to respond to the greetings of these loyal ladies. You can appreciate with what pleasure I obey that order. It is one of the greatest orders I have ever received, and one with which I am most pleased, to respond to greetings of noble women who are represented by these still nobler women sitting before you.

The Army nurses. O God, bless them. [Applause.] We comrades take a pride in having fought for our country, but it is not a selfish pride, for we realize that we were not the only ones who fought at that time for the Stars and Stripes. Ah, no. The women represented by Mrs. Risley fought just as nobly and fearlessly as we did. [Applause.] They are the women who took the lanterns in their hands on the dark nights and went through the rows of dead men on the battle fields looking, endeavoring, hoping to find a man with yet the breath of life left in him. They found him; they had him conveyed to the hospital; they restored him to health and strength and country. They are the women who responded at the call made by the surgeons of our Army, "Ye women who are willing to give up your lives, your homes, your friends, your families, come to us in the



smallpox hospitals." They heard that call, they wrote letters of farewell to their loved ones at home, they settled up all their earthly business, and then they went into that hospital never expecting to come out alive. Those are the women represented by Mrs. Risley, the Army nurses of the Civil War, our companions, the women who fought for our country just as bravely as did we.

Since the war we have become a great and powerful order, the Grand Army of the Republic. Time was when we numbered half a million or more, but oh, that time has gone, and now we are living in days when the Grand Army of the Republic is decreasing day by day, almost hour by hour. Who is to stand by us? Who has stood by us in all those years? Who is standing so nobly by us now? The Woman's Relief Corps. That is our one great hope. Thousands of Grand Army posts in this great country of ours are kept from giving up their charter by the Woman's Relief Corps. They will not let them surrender that charter. They insist, so long as five men are living, they insist that the post continue to exist, and they will see to it that it does exist. [Applause.] That is the Woman's Relief Corps, our great hope, our great strength. Oh, how grateful we are to them. They have stood by the Grand Army of the Republic, they have stood by their country, well and truly, and we honor them for it.

The ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, how we love them and how we should love them, for they are our wives, our sisters, our daughters, and they in times past have been our mothers when we were young enough to have mothers living. That time has gone by. Our hearts go out to them in love and reverence. We owe everything to our wives and sisters and daughters. [Applause.]

For example, before I close, on the 2d of July, 1863, my right arm was shot away from me at Gettysburg. Two years ago at the Grand Army encampment in Boston my left arm was broken in two. Think of it, my friends. Consider the position I was in. What would I do? Go to a hospital? Oh, no. The grand wife that had been with me for over 40 years, nearly 50, she was there. My arm was tied up for five and a half weeks, and that wife, one of the wives represented by Mrs. Houghton, stood by me until I could use that arm. She was not only my right hand; she was my left hand, too. So it has been ever since the war. The wives represented by Mrs. Houghton have been our right hands, our left hands. They have stood by us nobly. When we needed help they have helped us.

They, the Army nurses and the Woman's Relief Corps, have shown not only their love for the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, but their love for God, love for their country, their love for humanity, and as you have seen tonight their love above all for the commander in chief and his graceful wife. [Applause.]

The next item on the program was a song, "The Americans Come," by Mrs. Viola A. Galbraith. It was enthusiastically received and she responded with "A Lad in Khaki" as an encore.

The CHAIRMAN. We will now have greetings by Mrs. Estella M. Moore, national president of the Daughters of Veterans.

Mrs. ESTELLA M. MOORE, national president of the Daughters of Veterans, of Chicago, Ill. Mr. Governor, Mayor of the City of Columbus, Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, the National Association of Army Nurses, allied orders, comrades, and friends:



To-night I have the honor and the pleasure of bringing to you, commander in chief, and through you to the Grand Army of the Republic the loving greetings of the National Alliance Daughters of Veterans. No organization can stand closer to the Grand Army of the Republic than the Daughters of Veterans [applause] because, comrades, the membership of our organization is composed of your own daughters and granddaughters. We would perpetuate the memories of our fathers and we would keep alive the deeds of 1861-1865.

The tents throughout our organization, assisted by the national chief of staff, Sister Mary M. Holmes, and her aides, have made it possible for me to come to you to-night with a token of love in the nature of a check for \$500 for your permanent fund. As I stated before, the \$500 is for the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic. This silver casket is for you to keep. Mrs. Adams wanted it, but I told her "No."

But, Mrs. Adams, the Daughters have not forgotten you, the wife of the commander in chief, and we present to you these flowers with our love and affection. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. We will now have greetings by Gen. Francis M. Callahan, commander of the Sons of Veterans.

FRANCIS M. CALLAHAN, commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans, of Philadelphia, Pa. Mr. Governor, Mr. Mayor, Commander in Chief, Mr. Chairman, and all patriotic people: I may address you all that way because you are patriotic people. If you were not you would not be here to-night sweating and wiping the sweat off of your faces. Boys, you were all boys, for if you hadn't been boys away back in the sixties you would not be here now [A comrade: We are boys yet.], we boys—and we look very near as old as you do—that are your sons and your comrades' sons compose that great patriotic American organization, the Sons of Veterans of the United States of America, to sustain your record, the record that you made away back in the sixties.

Do you know what I am going to tell you, boys, that 25 per cent of that great American Army that was on the European continent was the offspring of you men and your comrades. Twenty-five per cent, imagine it, of that great American Army.

Last spring I was out in this hospitable city of Columbus—and I was very much taken up to-night with the remarks of the governor of this great State of Ohio in reference to the "ism" of the bolsheviks. I expressed myself forcibly in the Chamber of Commerce on that occasion, and in response to my expression the honorable mayor of this patriotic city expressed himself in like manner and said that there was no room in the city of Columbus or in the State of Ohio for the "ism" of bolshevism. And I believe that that is the spirit all over this great commonwealth.

Boys, I am only allowed five minutes, but I must express myself forcibly as to the great arrangements that have been perfected by the officials of this great city of Columbus for your protection. I am a prominent police official myself in the city of Philadelphia and I know how large crowds should be handled, and I want to say to you that in my travels through this patriotic and hospitable land I have never seen the public handled as well as it is being handled on this occasion with an immense throng of people going to and fro, and with the immense number of vehicles going here and there all over the streets of this patriotic town.



As the commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans of the United States of America I extend the greetings of that great patriotic institution to the Grand Army of the Republic and all its allied organizations. I thank you for your attention during this hot spell.

The CHAIRMAN. Greetings will now be tendered by Miss Margaret W. Carney, national president of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary.

Miss MARGARET W. CARNEY, of Melrose, Mass., national president of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary. Mr. Chairman, Governor Cox, Mayor Karb, members of the affiliated organizations, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and friends: It is my great pleasure to bring to you, commander in chief, and your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, the greetings of the National Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, and I want to tell you that in bringing the greetings of the National Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary I bring to you all the spiritual things that we have to give you. I bring to you devotion to those principles for which your comrades so bravely fought during the dark days of the Civil War; I bring to you loyalty to those objects for which so many of your comrades gave the last full measure of devotion; and I bring to you fidelity to those ideals of splendid citizenship that you have demonstrated in the United States of America. Just as your deeds in the dark days of the Civil War will endure forever, so will your splendid example of citizenship endure forever.

I want to tell you also, that as your Woman's Relief Corps has been your strong right arm, we are being the strong right arm to the Sons of Veterans. We want them to be the best memorial that was ever raised to the veterans of the Civil War. We want them always to stand as you have stood for the best citizenship and give testimony of the caliber of their splendid fathers.

And the last thing I have to give you, commander in chief, is something material. It is not as big as what the Women's Relief Corps gave you, it is not as big as what the Daughters of Veterans gave you, but it is lots heavier. It is \$250 in gold. [Applause.] And we give it with all the love, and loyalty, and devotion of the National Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. If I had known that they showered big checks and gold and silver boxes and diamond-studded medals on the commander in chief I would have run for that office 40 years ago myself.

Response will be made to the greetings of Mrs. Moore, Miss Carney, and Gen. Callahan by that well-known Grand Army man, Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS, of Bridgeport, Conn. Mr. Governor, Mr. Mayor, comrades, Daughters of Veterans, Sons of Veterans and the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans: What a wealth of grace is embraced in those last three organizations. They are equivalent to the graces of prose and of poetry.

First, the Daughters of Veterans, the blood and the sinew of the men who 50 years and more ago followed Grant and Sherman and Sheridan and hurled back the foes of the Republic, brought peace to our land and established the fact that the Union is one and indivisible and must ever remain so. How could the Daughters of Veterans but be the organization that they are when they are the daughters of the men who rendered this service to their country? They would be false to their lineage if they were otherwise, and it



is not in them to be false. [Applause.] They are of the best, the sweetest, of American girlhood and womanhood, and as Daughters of Veterans they have done for the Grand Army of the Republic a work in their peculiar sphere that could not be done by others. They have the love, the sympathy, the respect of every man who wears the little bronze button. [Applause.] And if all of the kisses of all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic could be concentrated in one kiss, the kiss would be bestowed upon the sweet lips of the Daughters of Veterans. [Applause.]

And then the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, who are doing not only for the Sons of Veterans but for the members of the Grand Army of the Republic much of the same work that is being done by the Daughters of Veterans. They have our love, they have our veneration. We appreciate the service that they render to the Sons of Veterans, our sons, and there are no words of mine that could appropriately characterize our feeling toward them. If all of the embraces of the Grand Army of the Republic could be concentrated into one great embrace, that embrace would be given to the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans [applause] as the affection of the Grand Army of the Republic.

And as for the Sons of Veterans, you see we have a trinity here, the Sons of Veterans, the Daughters of Veterans, and the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, a noble trinity. Yet the Sons of Veterans stand in one sense to the Grand Army of the Republic the same as the Daughters of Veterans. They are our boys, not somebody else's boys, but your boys and my boys who have the patriotic blood of their parents in their veins, and who long before war was thought of banded together to help the Grand Army of the Republic and to perpetuate the deeds of their ancestors, to educate the rising generation of this Nation so that they might know whether or not it was Grant that conquered at Appomattox or whether it was Lee; whether all of the great men of the war were men of the South or men of the North, and also the mission to help the Grand Army of the Republic to take their stand with us, hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder, in our work, and on Memorial Day to help to do the work of the Grand Army of the Republic in decorating the graves of our fallen heroes. And it is upon them that the duty will rest when in the future the last member of the Grand Army has passed away, to take up the work of Memorial Day of the Grand Army of the Republic in all its ramifications and to do that work for the coming generations, to fill the gap left by the Grand Army of the Republic as a living and vital force in instilling patriotism into the hearts of the rising generation and all the adults of this Nation, teaching them to know and believe, as we know and believe, that there is only one country in the world worth living for, only one country in the world worth dying for, and that is the United States of America. [Applause.] The Sons of Veterans are to take our place and we have confidence that they will take the place and they will fill it as thoroughly and as effectually as you have done.

They have shown their metal in the war that is happily past. A large percentage of the Sons of Veterans were volunteers, a large percentage of the Sons of Veterans were selected men, and every son of a veteran who has served in the United States Army in the Great War has served with credit to himself, with honor to himself, and with



honor to his family and to his father, the veteran who fought in that other war. They have been present on the ocean manning our destroyers, manning our submarines, manning our torpedo boats, laying mines. They were in every battle in which the American Army was engaged. They were a part of that force that was lost for four or five days in the woods at Belleau and who, surrounded by the German force, without food, without water, without their runners being able to communicate their sad plight to their troops in the rear, whom even the aeroplanes could not support with food, when presented with an ultimatum for surrender from the German force made that utterance which is a benediction and not an oath "Go to——." That was the American boy of it and the American man of it, and that was the son of a veteran of it. It exemplified the spirit that is in the blood of the boys who are the sons of the survivors of those who served in the Civil War.

And so we have these three jewels—the Sons of Veterans, the Daughters of Veterans, and the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary—and while the jewels that were presented to the commander in chief here to-night are most magnificent and will be cherished by him and by his children and by his children's children to the last generation, and the jewels presented to his good wife will be in like manner cherished and preserved, yet with all their beauty they can not compare with the loyal girls of the Daughters of Veterans, the loyal Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, and the loyal sons we have upon our rolls and whom we honor. [Applause.]

The Democratic Glee Club then rendered several selections which pleased the audience.

The CHAIRMAN. We will have greetings from the department commander, H. C. Martindale, of the Department of Ohio.

Comrade H. C. MARTINDALE, commander of the Department of Ohio. Comrades, ladies, and friends: For 46 years it has been my privilege to welcome to the great heart of the great Christ the children of men. With all reverence I want to say, with that exception, there has never come to me in my life a greater privilege than that of welcoming the comrades of the Grand Army and the allied organizations from the ends of the earth to Columbus.

I am mindful of the lateness of the hour. We extend you the heart and hand, the home and hospitality of the people of Columbus and all Ohio. There are not as many of us as we wish there were. The boys are dropping out. When you get the published reports of the standing of the Grand Army you will learn that for the first time in a great many years the Department of Ohio has forged to the front and is the largest in point of membership of any department in the organization. There are two ways of accounting for that. Your decrease or our taking the lead in membership may be because so many of the good comrades in the other States have passed on to the better world. There is an old proverb, you know, that says that the good die young, and your boys of other departments may have dropped out to let the fellows that would rather live in Ohio than be in heaven stay here and take the lead.

We welcome you to this our city, and 20 years from now the Seventy-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will accept your invitation to come and see you again. Until then, God speed you in all your work. [Applause.]



The CHAIRMAN. The last speaker is one of the best-loved men the State of Ohio has ever produced. He enlisted under the first call, the first day, at the first tap of the drum as a private soldier, and after more than four years of service he came out a brevet major general. He has the reputation of having been in more battles and bloodier ones than any of the 314,000 men whose names were emblazoned on the muster roll of the Union. And that did not satisfy him. When the Spanish War broke out he was appointed a major general and sent to Cuba. When this late war broke out he had four grandsons who promptly volunteered and went to the front, and he had two sons, the fathers of these boys, and he told me confidentially they had to straddle the old man's neck to keep him from going to this war. And this old hero is no less than Maj. Gen. J. Warren Kiefer.

Maj. Gen. J. WARREN KIEFER, of Ohio (representing the United Spanish War Veterans). Commanding Officer, Gov. Cox, Commander in Chief Adams, and all the representatives of military organizations, even should there be some here from the fields of battle of 1846-47, with Mexico, with all the auxiliary organizations, the aids without which these organizations could not have accomplished the great things that have been accomplished in our lifetime, my comrades, and friends: I am not going to make you a speech for it would be cruel to keep you here longer, for all the good things have been said. But I want to emphasize all that has been said in exaltation of the great things accomplished by the Grand Army of the Republic and the other war veterans down the line. Don't forget the Spanish War Veterans, if you please. Did they accomplish anything?

We had an emancipation day, made on 100 days' notice, by the great and immortal Lincoln. It was the 1st day of January, 1863, and by the valor of the soldiers of the Civil War that was made a reality and stands only confirmed by the amendments to the Constitution of the United States. But the Spanish War veterans made another emancipation day, a 1st day of January—you may have forgotten it—the 1st day of January, 1899. We wiped out the monarchy that had reigned over Cuba and the islands belonging to North America, and we wiped out human slavery there. We saw come down from Morro Castle at Habana the flag of Spain that reigned over slavery and had represented autocracy and militarism for 400 years. I saw it come down, and there went up instead of it a flag bearing the words "Cuba Libre." But then there ran up by the side of it rapidly, as a guarantee that that represented the truth, the Stars and Stripes of the United States of America. [Applause.]

We had another emancipation day. Your presiding officer has spoken of my being in two wars, and he has spoken of my splendid grandsons. I only had four and only four got over across the sea. One of them got back the other day. They ditched him for a while to teach them a little something about police work, sent him as chief of the military police to that historic city of all the ages to keep order there when our boys went down to see it. But he is home now, and he is proud that he was a soldier in this Great War, terminated, we trust, permanently, and we also trust that this determination of the epoch that ended when the armistice was signed on the 11th of November last was the end of war, on any broad scale at least, in this world.



There are people who imagine that some of us who have seen war and battles and blood, that they represent a glory that we would want to propagate. But let me say to you that all the glories of the battle fields, victories if you call them that, are drowned in the human blood that is shed there. I am a man of peace. I believe that our battles in the past have been fought for a great cause, but that the recent war, the Civil War, and other wars should be regarded as wars to secure peace, that peace on earth that was represented in the vision of Isaiah 760 years before the birth of Christ when he dreamed that the nations of the earth would beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, and that other marvelous record that we get from the Holy Bible, a record as though it came, and it is singular of itself as a message from the great God on high, that message that was delivered by an angel with a heavenly host around him when they assembled over the manger cradle of our Saviour at Bethlehem and cried "Peace on earth; good will to men." That is the message which came from on high and is written, and that is the message we pray for and we have fought for.

And I now close by saying, speaking with authority from the great authorities about me, that we welcome you all, veterans, and ladies of all the allied organizations, for they, as has been well said, have been helping fight the battle. You are welcome not only to this city by her people but by the people of the great State of Ohio. [Applause.]

After singing "America" the audience, at 10.35 p. m., was dismissed





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HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1919, IN HOTEL DESHLER,  
COLUMBUS, OHIO.

The meeting was called to order by Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams at 11 o'clock a. m. The following members of the committee, in addition to the commander in chief, were present: Adjutant General Albert M. Trimble, Quartermaster General Cola D. R. Stowits, Comrades George A. Price, Philip G. Woodward, J. W. Willett, John B. Inman, J. Andrew Wilt, Americus Whedon, and John A. Ehrhardt.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The senior vice commander will not be here until evening. Now, comrades, what is your pleasure? It is suggested that I make a statement of my acts.

I think perhaps I better state, in the first place, that I possibly have acted somewhat ridiculously, but we have had a pretty good year so far as the Grand Army is concerned. It has at least been a patriotic year. My visitations have been to 25 of the different departments and I have attended quite a number of meetings for various patriotic purposes—the departing of soldiers, the return of soldiers, the dedicating of monuments, and so on.

Among the first of these was the dedication of the Lincoln monument at Springfield, Ill. That was on the 5th of October, 1918. I was called there on the occasion of the dedication of the Lincoln and Douglas monuments and the laying of the corner stone of their million-dollar Centennial Memorial Building. I took part in the exercises of the laying of the corner stone, about 9 o'clock in the morning. At 10.30 was the dedication of the monument erected to Stephen A. Douglas, the dedicatory speech being made by Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy. The committee invited Lord Charnwood, of England, a historian who had written a history of the life of Abraham Lincoln. He was invited to speak from the English standpoint. I was called there as a representative of the Grand Army of the Republic to talk from the American soldier's standpoint. The audience consisted of, it was estimated, forty to forty-five thousand people; and the Lincoln monument was very enthusiastically dedicated. It stands in front of the capitol building of the State of Illinois and is, I think, one of the finest monuments there is in the country.

The next event of importance to the Grand Army was the arranging for the holding of the Fifty-third National Encampment at Columbus, and I invited to meet me here the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, the chief of staff, Comrade Price, chairman of the executive committee, and the heads of each one of the various allied organizations—the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army, Daughters of Veterans, Sons of Veterans, and the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary.

Prior to coming here the adjutant general accompanied me to Washington for the purpose of making rates for the encampment. The rate matter, to make it as brief and concise as possible, I will simply say was obtained for the asking. I did not have to go through any



minutia, or argument, or anything else. It actually came by the asking.

Returning to Columbus, we met the various officials that I have just designated. Each one of the heads of the allied organizations selected a hotel for their headquarters, and gave the committee the number of rooms they desired and such accommodations as would be necessary for them. We met with the Columbus committee on arrangements, Hon. Ex-Gov. James E. Campbell as chairman, S. A. Kinnear, W. S. Mathews, and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce Daniels representing the citizens' committee. The number of rooms required for each of the various organizations was set forth to the committee, including the general headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and associate orders, and a contract was drawn, agreed to, and signed up in the space of 40 minutes. Hence you see we had but very little difficulty in determining the arrangements for this meeting. I found Comrade Stowits, Comrade Trimble, Comrade Hosley, and Comrade Price more than efficient in assisting about the general arrangements and looking after the necessary things to bring this meeting into successful existence.

The reason I did not assemble all of the executive committee was they thought it might not be necessary, and finding everything running smoothly I carried out the rather tacit agreement at Portland, Oreg., that they would not be assembled unless it was necessary. It was a saving of expense to the encampment not to assemble them, and those are the only two reasons that they were not assembled. Not that I wished to overlook anyone, but I thought it was your desire to have it done that way.

That comprises practically the business end and the obligations that this encampment has been under so far as I know up to the present time.

Comrade WILLETT. Commander in Chief and members of the executive committee. You have heard the report of the commander in chief and without undertaking to review it, I move you, comrades, that the action of the commander in chief and his associates in transacting the business of the executive committee without assembling it shall be approved by this committee as a whole, and that the report made by the commander in chief of his itinerary and work among comrades throughout the United States be commended, if I get a second.

Comrade WILT. Second the motion.

Comrade WILLETT. You have heard the motion, comrades. Those of you who are in favor of the motion will signify the same by saying aye. Opposed, no. It is unanimously carried, and it is so ordered, Commander in Chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Trimble, have you any special report?

Adj. Gen. TRIMBLE. I don't know of a thing, Commander in Chief, to come before this committee. If the quartermaster general has anything to offer I don't know of it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am going to call on the quartermaster general.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I know of no new business other than that which is fully set forth by the adjutant general and myself in the official reports which will be handed out a little later, but the auditing committee should make a report to this committee.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will have the report of the auditing committee.

Comrade PRICE. The auditing committee makes the following report [reading]:

COLUMBUS, OHIO, *September 8, 1919.*

The committee appointed by the commander in chief to examine the accounts of the quartermaster general beg leave to report that they have performed the duties assigned them and that they find the said accounts correct in every respect, and that the balance in bank on August 1, 1919 was, \$5,092.17. Your committee would also at this time extend its congratulations to the Grand Army of the Republic in having such a quartermaster general as Cola D. R. Stowits, who for these many years has kept its accounts so accurately and has so faithfully performed all the duties pertaining to his office.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE A. PRICE,  
J. W. WILLETT,  
JOHN B. INMAN.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption of this report.

Comrade WILT. I move that the report of this auditing committee be accepted and added to the quartermaster general's report.

Comrade WOODWARD. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the report of the committee be accepted. All in favor will say, aye. Opposed, no. The report is adopted unanimously.

Is there any member of the committee who has anything further to offer?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Commander in Chief, just at this time I want to say to the members of this committee that I appreciate their kindness throughout the year. It has been my endeavor and it has been the endeavor of every member of the executive committee to sustain this administration, and I don't believe that a finger can be raised in any way, shape, or manner, and in so far as the financial condition of the administration is concerned it is better than it was a year ago, and I, as quartermaster general, am proud of it. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to say that I am doubly proud to hear that statement. I am sure, because we have had some extraordinary things to meet so far as personal matters are concerned, and I am very glad to hear that statement. I know that everybody connected with the encampment has guarded the funds, and I will say not only the funds, but the real, earnest, beneficial things for the Grand Army of the Republic, as religiously as any institution ever was guarded, through the entire year. I mean by that in sentiment and patriotic feeling and standardizing it as a national body and everything connected with it.

Comrade WILT. If there is nothing further, Commander in Chief, I move that we adjourn.

Comrade INMAN. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, comrades. Those in favor of adjourning will say, aye. Contrary, no. The ayes have it, and the meeting is adjourned. (11.20 a. m.)





# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

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## MINUTES OF MEETING OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1919, AT 11 O'CLOCK A. M., AT THE  
HOTEL DESHLER, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

The council of administration met at 11 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, September 9, 1919, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief. Those present were:

Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams, Omaha, Nebr.  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief J. G. Chambers, Portland, Oreg.  
Junior Vice Commander in Chief Chas. H. Haber, National Soldiers' Home, Virginia.  
Adj. Gen. Albert M. Trimble, Lincoln, Nebr.  
Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
Comrade Manohar Bostick, of Alabama.  
Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.  
Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut.  
Comrade A. C. Shaffer, of Florida.  
Comrade W. M. Scott, of Georgia and South Carolina.  
Comrade G. F. Kimery, of Idaho.  
Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.  
Comrade Milton Garrigus, of Indiana.  
Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.  
Comrade H. E. Merriam, of Maine.  
Comrade J. A. Thompson, jr., of Maryland.  
Comrade R. A. Parker, of Michigan.  
Comrade Philip G. Woodward, of Minnesota.  
Comrade John M. Williams, of Missouri.  
Comrade George H. Taylor, of Montana.  
Comrade John A. Ehrhardt, of Nebraska.  
Comrade Alfred Atkins, of New Jersey.  
Comrade George A. Price, of New York.  
Comrade H. F. Dinsmore, of North Dakota.  
Comrade John C. Roland, of Ohio.  
Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.  
Comrade John Middleton, of Potomac.  
Comrade John A. Medbery, of Rhode Island.  
Comrade Newton Hacker, of Tennessee.  
Comrade H. W. Nye, of Texas.  
Comrade Elias Price, of Utah.  
Comrade E. E. Pierce, of Vermont.  
Comrade J. E. Gandy, of Washington and Alaska.  
Comrade L. B. Moore, of West Virginia.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This is a meeting of the council of administration. Please come to order.

The roll was then called by the adjutant general, with the result shown above.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We had a meeting of the executive committee yesterday. I made my report and the secretary will please read that report for your consideration.

Whereupon the shorthand reporter read from his notes the minutes of the meeting of the executive committee held on September 8, 1919. (See page 77 of this journal.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the subject matter just read is before you. What is your pleasure?

Comrade EHRHARDT. I move you, sir, that we adopt the resolutions.

Comrade ALTENBERG. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. Are there any remarks?

Comrade WILT. You say resolutions. Why not the action of the commander in chief and his staff and the executive committee be approved and adopted by this council of administration?

Comrade EHRHARDT. I accept that.

Comrade ALTENBERG. So do I.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the proposition that is before you—the acceptance of this report. Any remarks? [Calls for the question.] Those in favor will say “aye.” Those contrary, “no.” The report is adopted unanimously.

Has any member of the council any business to bring before this council?

Comrade MOORE. How is the council of administration created for next year?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Each department selects their representative and reports it to the encampment.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. I would like to have the council see to it that each department reports to headquarters before to-morrow night the name of its member of the committee on resolutions and of its member on the council of administration. That is provided in general orders, but I remind you of it so that it will not be overlooked. We want to get the names arranged and typewritten and in the hands of the commander in chief before the encampment opens.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I want to thank you before we adjourn for your most loyal support. Whatever has come of pleasure or interest to this encampment has come through you and not your commander.

Comrade ALTENBERG. I understand that when we adjourn it is sine die.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Subject to call. The commander in chief can call you if there is anything.

Comrade ALTENBERG. Then I vote for it with pleasure.

Comrade SHAFFER. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, to adjourn subject to call. Those in favor will say “aye.” Contrary, “no.” The ayes have it.

And thereupon, at 11.23 a. m., the meeting stood adjourned subject to call.

# THE GRAND PARADE

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Wednesday, September 10, 1919, 10 A. M.





## THE GRAND PARADE.

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The following accounts of the parade held on Wednesday, September 10, 1919, are taken from the Columbus daily papers:

[Evening Dispatch, Sept. 10, 1919.]

### TO THE MARCHING HEROES.

Heroes of many a battle, proudly you marched along,  
With the shrilling fife and the rumbling drum sounding the victor's song.  
Heroes of Spotsylvania and the Angle bloody-red,  
You who fought at Petersburg where desp'rate siege was led—  
In the fury of Antietam some held your life in fee;  
Some saved the day at Gettysburg 'gainst the hurling hordes of Lee—  
In the clouds of Lookout Mountain, on the Ridge's fearful height,  
In the terror of Cold Harbor you carried Freedom's light.  
And now to-day a remnant of that mighty host of old,  
You march our streets while o'er your heads are cheers and tears untold.  
You march, a treasured handful of the Nation's G. A. R.'s  
To the last eternal encampment and the bivouac of the stars.  
—H. E. Cherrington.

Two score and fourteen years ago a half million "Boys in Blue" marched down Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, in the grand review.

Under cloud-swept skies Wednesday, thousands of that tumultuous multitude of years ago swept Columbus's streets in what will be for many the final march. Thousands of persons from all parts of the country, their hearts still stirred fast by events of the recent war, gathered patriotism and fervor anew, as the aged heroes of '61 swept past, row upon row.

The vast concourse, however, had gotten but fairly under way when the clouds that had piled themselves high in the north swept down upon Columbus. Burns wrote himself well into the parade when he said: "The best laid plans of mice and men aft gang alee." Swirling raindrops sent most of the marchers hurrying for shelter, while the onlookers pushed into every available niche.

### FAILS TO DAMPEN ENTHUSIASM.

Patriotism that had drawn thousands halfway and more across the continent could not be drenched by mere rain, and the gay pageant continued following the storm. The parade route, however, was shortened when the marchers were turned into Broad Street as they came north on High Street, thereby disappointing thousands who lined High Street from Broad to Spring Streets.

As bands blared pulse-quickenning airs, onlooking thousands voiced their approbation by continued cheers. Frequent salvos of huzzas roared skyward, puncturing sharply the martial airs of "Dixie," "Yankee Doodle," "Marching Through Georgia," and other airs that were carried south of the Mason and Dixon line in the sixties. Wednesday was the heyday of the Grand Army of the Republic. It was the culminating moment of its Fifty-third Annual Encampment.

### YOUNG AND OLD IN LINE.

Down High Street they swung, not only thousands of blue-coated heroes, but hundreds in khaki, their lithe and sinuous step contrasting markedly to the halting pace of their forbears. Those of the World War and those of the fight of '98 vied for favor with the boys of Grant, of Sherman, of Sheridan.

There were cheers enough for all, but it was to the old boys grown young to-day—the tottering but jubilant lads of '65—the gray-haired, shoulder-bent heroes who fought "that this Nation shall not perish from the face of the earth," that the monster,

massive, pulsating, surging, pushing, tear-faced crowd reserved the highest encomiums of praise. For the Boys in Blue, all reserve was swept aside and the thousands gave vent to mad enthusiasm.

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord,  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He has loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword,  
His truth is marching on.

#### UNPRECEDENTED IN CITY'S HISTORY.

On and on they came—Americans all— swinging in pulsing cadence down living avenues drawn up to pay homage. Never before has Columbus been so stirred, despite recent avenues of enthusiasm provided by the World War.

The acme of Americanism was reached.

#### THOUSAND VETERANS OF WORLD WAR.

Promptly at 10 o'clock, the head of the great column left its position at East Broad Street and Grant Avenue, moving south on Grant on the first lap of the eventful march. Rank after rank of khaki-clad veterans of the World War, eight abreast, led the van, preceded by Chief Carter, a detail of officers, and the barracks' band.

Nearly 1,000 World War veterans of all branches of the service—Army, Navy, Aviation, and Marines—moved in splendid phalanx at the head of the column. In this concourse were Americans in Canadian uniforms, having joined with Canada before this country entered the war.

Followed approximately 500 United Spanish War Veterans in the blue uniform of '98, and several hundred Sons of Veterans came next.

All these completed the entire route of march, reaching Spring and High Streets and countermarching to Broad and thence east past the reviewing stand. At this juncture, however, Jupiter Pluvius joined in the encampment celebration.

#### OFFICIALS STAND IN DOWNPOUR.

Entirely unprepared for his arrival, the marchers were for the nonce at a loss to know whether to continue or seek shelter. Gov. Cox, Mayor Karb, Commander in Chief Adams, Lieut. Gov. Brown, Gen. Johnny Clem, Mrs. Elizabeth Brown Daggett, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, and other distinguished guests, stood bareheaded in the reviewing stand on East Broad Street waiting. For fully 10 minutes, in which rain poured in torrents and the reviewing officials became soaked to the skin, there was no sign of the remainder of the marching host.

Then, to the shrill of fife and roll of drum, a detachment of Civil War veterans from New York turned into Broad Street and approached the stand. Cheers and applause greeted the marchers who had braved the rain and refused to seek dry shelter.

Other delegations of G. A. R. veterans soon followed. At this juncture the downpour slackened and finally gave place to intermittent drizzles. The parade was saved after all, and as delegation after delegation joined the march the reviewing party continued to greet the passersby until after 1 p. m.

#### VETERANS REFRESHED AFTER SHOWER.

The veterans marched in spite of age and faltering limbs. They found the rain refreshing and inspiring after the perspiring heat of the first of the march and it was noted that they showed more spirit than ever as they passed the reviewing stand.

There were many eyes that became bedimmed as the old veterans passed by. One old soldier marched with the aid of a crutch and he refused all assistance in his marching. A delegation of colored veterans from Louisiana and Mississippi bore staffs topped with balls of snowy cotton. Veterans from Florida carried grapefruit and pineapples along with other battle standards.

#### MANY DRUM CORPS.

There seemed no end to the number of fife and drum corps interspersed among the State delegations.

The delegation from Minnesota bore a huge American flag, the veterans holding the edges of the sacred emblem. South Dakota brought with its veterans a group of men costumed as Minute Men, with fifes and drums.



At the end of the line came the Ohio posts. Their members cheered loudly and waved their hats and caps as they passed the reviewing stand. There was pride and exultation in the demeanor of all the marching hosts, but these Buckeye men threw age and weariness to the winds in their exuberance.

#### THOUSAND AUTOLOADS.

The final group of marchers passed the stand at 12.36, after which fully a thousand automobiles, carrying old soldiers too faltering in their stride to walk, completed the parade.

Marshal Speaks, in charge of the parade, said that every department represented at the encampment appeared in the parade and that the only G. A. R. outfit which failed to complete the march before the reviewing stand was the Civil War Cavalry detachment under Col. Curry of Columbus. The horses ridden by the veterans became unmanageable during the downpour and this feature of the parade had to be abandoned at the last.

The line-up was marked by many points of unusual interest. Colonels and even generals marched in platoons under the command of corporals and buck privates. Col. Bush marched in such a platoon, as did many other "old war dogs" bearing the insignia of commissioned officers.

With one group of overseas veterans in the line trotted the canine mascot of the One hundred and thirty-sixth regiment. He was the proudest marcher in the line.

#### WOMEN IN LINE.

It was announced early Wednesday morning that the parade would be womanless. This was not borne out, however, by the actual parade itself. Many wives of the old veterans, not to mention a good many daughters and granddaughters, marched beside their soldier husbands and fathers.

Boy Scouts never gave more efficient service than did they during the parade Wednesday. They helped police officers, Columbus Reserve Guard men, and soldiers from the barracks keep back the crowds which momentarily threatened to overflow the line of march. They carried water out to the marching veterans.

As the delegation from a western State passed by, an aged woman, unable to leave a small rocking chair in which she sat at the curb, was carried to the line of marchers, where she was greeted by the passing veterans.

Col. E. S. Wilson "went over the top" Wednesday for the first time in his life since the war of the sixties. He made his way to the stand to greet the governor and other dignitaries there. At a word from Gov. Cox two stalwart officers in khaki picked up the veteran newspaper editor and deposited him on the stand with the other reviewers.

[Citizen, Sept. 10, 1919.]

More than 200,000 persons lined Columbus streets Wednesday and cheered the 10,000 veterans of the Civil War, who marched in "Grand Review."

It was estimated in the reviewing stand that fully 300,000 marched in the parade, including all divisions.

The crowd scattered when an avalanche of rain poured down.

But ardor born in the darkest days in our national history could not be quenched by mere rain.

The old veterans broke ranks, too, but only during the hardest part of the rain. Then they returned to the march and not until 1.18 p. m. did the last automobile detail pass the reviewing stand on East Broad Street.

Just two and a half hours after the parade started the last of the marching veterans passed the reviewing stand. The entire parade consumed 3 hours and 18 minutes.

Thousands of automobiles, the greatest number that ever participated in a parade in the history of Columbus, carried the veterans unable to march.

Chief Carter estimated the crowd of onlookers at more than 200,000.

The rain began with a slight drizzle at 11 o'clock as the thousands of doughboys who composed the escort of honor were sweeping past the reviewing stand.

#### SALUTES PASSING COLUMNS AS RAIN BEATS DOWN.

Suddenly the rain hurled itself down in torrents. It seemed like a cloudburst and drenched to the skin.

Men, women and children in the reviewing stand refused to move from their positions. Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams stood stiffly at attention and swept the rain from his eyes as he saluted the passing columns.

Along the line of march, where it is estimated a crowd of 200,000 had gathered, the rain had a different effect. The throngs broke, and spectators scattered in all directions seeking shelter, while the veterans, with few exceptions, marched on undaunted.

Homes, theaters, business houses, and every conceivable place of shelter were utilized in the mad rush. But none went home.

#### BUT VETERANS OF SHOT AND SHELL MARCH ON.

The war heroes marched steadily on.

After the gallant doughboys—privates and brigadier generals marching shoulder to shoulder—had passed, came the “gobs” and marines. The rain was at its height as the Sons of Veterans and Spanish War Veterans marched down the drenched street.

Then the shrill of fifes and the beat of drums announced that the G. A. R. veterans were coming. A cheer broke through the crowd as the gray-haired boys defiantly pushed through the rain and came to stiff salute at the reviewing stand.

Headed by the Department of Illinois, which held the honor position because of seniority, the veterans swept on. State after State dipped dripping flags, and gray heads were bared. Some shouted and sang to show their defiance of the weather.

Then the rain stopped as suddenly as it came. At 11.30 the sun broke through the clouds. Thousands poured forth from their places of shelter and swarmed into the streets, almost impeding the progress of the parade.

The fighting spirit of the veterans dominated. The crowds caught the spirit and cheered and sang the songs of Civil War days.

Marching Through Georgia, Dixie, The Girl I Left Behind Me, and John Brown's Body, were played by fife and drum corps time after time. And the cadence of the music kept the marchers steadily pouring through the streets.

Thousands of doughboys, veterans of the World War, marched proudly at the head of the long column. Their numbers surprised even the most sanguine parade official.

Khaki-clad and erect, their faces bronzed from service over there, every division was represented. Democracy was the spirit of the event. They had all come to pay tribute to the valor of their granddads—and rank was forgotten.

#### RANK NO FIGURE.

“Dress up that line there,” one sergeant with three gold stripes shouted to his company of majors, second “looies,” and privates.

The boys of the Navy, spick and span in blue and white, brought up on the heels of their fighting brothers. A delegation of marines was the signal for cheers and hand clapping.

About 7,000 Spanish War veterans and Sons of Veterans followed.

Civil War Cavalry led the boys of '61. Headed by Col. W. L. Curry, the cavalrymen on well-bred, fiery horses, charged down the line of march, presenting a picturesque and martial appearance.

#### AH, THE VETS.

Then the old veterans came on foot. Not straggling, but gingerly walking and striding they advanced in evenly dressed files.

They came by the thousand. As far as the eye could discern the old blue uniform and black campaign hat could be seen coming en masse.

As they swept down East Broad Street and past the reviewing stand, varicolored streamers were hurled from the buildings flanking the avenue. Flags and handkerchiefs waved in one great mass of color. Cheers were given, again and again, but the shouts of acclamation failed to drown out the martial note of the ever-present fife and drum corps.

[Citizen, editorial page, Sept. 10, 1919.]

#### THE BOYS IN BLUE MARCH AGAIN.

Once—and that not so many years ago—northern veterans of the Civil War marched by the hundreds of thousands when they came together in national encampments, and thus it was for decades of American history. They came in great numbers to the Atlantic coast, the Pacific, and to cities inland, year after year, with ranks thinning so slowly that we who stood on the side and cheered the Boys in Blue scarcely noticed the dwindling, the ebbing away of what had been the greatest of armed forces this world had known.



And then, so suddenly that most of us were startled, we began seeing the growing gaps in those ranks of blue, the shortening of the line, the aging of the faces and the bodies that marched by reviewing stands upon which Lincoln, Grant, Sherman, Hayes, Garfield, Sheridan, and Logan had stood.

It was the beginning of the end that we saw.

And to-day, on the streets of Ohio's capital, we see it more plainly than ever before. This may be the last time the Boys in Blue will walk in slow and measured tread before that reviewing stand, and even now the tax of a short line of march is too great an effort for time-worn bodies. And in the early sixties they marched miles and miles. They were young then. They are old now.

It is the way of life, of the bravest, the youngest, the strongest of every living thing.

And even as that is life, so, too, is this turning over of Civil War treasures, prized more highly by the Boys in Blue than any other thing they own, to the Boys of the Great War, the last war, the most terrible and most costly of all wars.

And the cheers for the passing mingle with cheers for the coming. But our cheers for the younger heart and stronger body will not lessen our love for those who almost have become a memory, a sacred and glorious memory, for all time in American history and the minds of American people.

For untold ages after the last of them shall have passed away they shall live a part of our lives—as long as America lives. The Grand Army of the Republic does not cease to exist when the last veteran passes by the last reviewing stand of life.

[Ohio State Journal, Sept. 11, 1919.]

An unforgettable demonstration of love and reverence for the Grand Army—it always will be so known—characterized the annual parade of the 1919 encampment through Columbus streets yesterday.

In years to come, the day will be recalled with pride and joy by Ohioans and visitors from most of the States in the Union.

There have been greater turnouts of veterans, but the happy old boys say never before have they received such an overwhelming ovation—great unnumbered throngs of men, women, and children on the streets united in a heartfelt greeting with cheers and tears intermingled, flags and flowers all about, and the glorious, ever-stirring martial airs of Civil War days from fife and drum and voice.

And the veterans marched despite age and heat and storm. First-aid stations were all along the line, but were not called upon for much service.

#### PERSONIFIED DEMOCRACY.

The enormous gathering personified democracy and so did the parade, for there was no mark of rank or class or race.

Inevitably, there were comparisons with the 1888 meeting in Columbus, when possibly seven times as many veterans marched.

Said Attorney General Price, who stood in the reviewing stand: "I wasn't here in 1888, but that was a picnic for men in the prime of life. This to-day is really a grand reunion—the greatest occasion Ohio probably has ever known, a thrilling object lesson none of us can ever forget."

Youngsters recently honored in Columbus on their home-coming from overseas, conceded that yesterday's event outdid the other demonstrations.

It is believed that 200,000 people saw yesterday's parade, that 10,000 veterans marched and 4,000 rode in autos.

A sudden rainstorm of marked severity sent thousands of spectators hurrying into near-by houses, stores, and offices, but comparatively few of the marching veterans forsook their places. Their chief officer, Commander C. E. Adams, of Omaha, Gov. Cox, Mayor Karb, and many others in the Broad Street reviewing stands remained until all had passed.

#### COMPLIMENTING COLUMBUS.

It would take a whole page of the State Journal to print the letters and resolutions of Grand Army posts praising the people of Columbus for the fine reception given them during the Grand Army encampment. These thanks and compliments are in letters crowding Gov. Campbell's mail these days, and from these we are permitted to copy two that are expressive of the sentiments of all the rest. They are from Commander in Chief Adams, of the G. A. R., and from Mrs. Daggett, National President of the W. R. C. Here they are:



Mr. Adams says: "The entire alignment of committees, the wise preparation, the cordial greetings of your people, and the unexcelled hospitality of your entire citizenship has no parallel in our encampment history. This, together with the true spirit of patriotism everywhere displayed, made us all feel the pulsation of the heart-to-heart beat of this Nation radiating from the historic city of Columbus."

Mrs. Dagget says: "Not one complaint came to me in any form. Ohio as a State, Columbus as a city, and your comrades representing the Grand Army of the Republic, each and all have done themselves proud. \* \* \* As a whole we were never more royally entertained."

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT

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## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

# FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 11 AND 12, 1919.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1919—MORNING SESSION.

The Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened at Memorial Hall, Columbus, Ohio, on September 11, 1919, at 10.20 o'clock a. m.

The encampment was opened in due form by Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams, of Omaha.

Under the direction of Chief of Staff Hosley, Memorial Hall was in charge of the following-named comrades, all of whom performed their duty in an efficient manner:

Officer of the day Fred Knagi, Post No. 751, Columbus.

Officer of the guard: George Morey, Post No. 751, Columbus.

Members of the guard: B. S. Stevenson, S. B. Williamson, and S. J. Long, Post No. 751, Columbus; W. D. Heyl, Benjamin Ollum, James Judy, and B. F. Minear, Post No. 1, Columbus.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chaplain will invoke the divine blessing.

Chaplain in Chief PHILIP A. NORDELL, Brookline, Mass.: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we invoke Thy presence and Thy blessing upon this, the fifty-third encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. We thank Thee for all the past through which Thy gracious hand has led us, and it inspires us with greater confidence and hope for all the years that may remain before the sunset of our journey ends.

We thank Thee for our country. We thank Thee for all that it means to us of opportunity and of privilege. We thank Thee for all the liberties that we enjoy and for all the institutions which it embodies; and we thank Thee for the flag of our country, the emblem of all that our country means to us and the symbol of light and of hope to the nations of the world.

We are glad that we, Thy servants, in the early days of our young manhood were permitted to offer ourselves and all that we had and all that we hoped for in the defense of the country and the flag in its great crisis. We thank Thee that Thou hast led us and preserved us in all these intervening years. We thank Thee for the assembling of so many here to-day who have not only borne the brunt of battle, but who have in all these years shown a spirit of great and loyal patriotism and of renewed service.

To-day also we would remember with very tender feelings those comrades of our early years who with us not only offered themselves in defense of the country and the flag, but who made the supreme sacrifice. O Lord God, may their memories ever be cherished as sacred by the generations to come, and may the country for which they suffered and bled and died be worthy of the noble sacrifice which they made.

We thank Thee, our God, for the splendid comradeship grown up on the field of battle and in the bivouac and the camp and amid all the sufferings of those memorable years, a comradeship so sweet and strong that it has blessed every one of us and abides with us still as an abiding and cementing bond. We thank Thee for all that it means to us, and we beseech Thee when at length our journey shall have ended and our summons comes and we shall be mustered out of service on earth, may we with joy and gladness join the spiritual companionship of all the heroes of all times and all nations and peoples who have gone up out of great sufferings and great sacrifices to see the face of Him whose supreme sacrifice was made for the redemption of our humanity and the world.

Bless, we pray Thee, our country. Bless the President of the United States and all others with him in authority, and grant, that as they are placed in positions of great responsibility and of great perplexity, that they may be guided with divine wisdom.

Now that we thank Thee to-day for the victories that have been won in the war, may we look to Thee for guidance in the still greater victories of peace that shall come to us and to the troubled, distracted nations of the world. Hasten, we beseech Thee, the day when the Prince of Peace shall reign over all peoples and all nations and when the kingdom of God, which is righteousness and peace and love, shall take the place of all the armaments of the world and we shall be joined in the great brotherhood of service unto Him in whose name we offer these prayers, even our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Please remain standing while we sing "America," led by John Gilman, our past commander in chief.

(The encampment sang one verse of "America," being led by Past Commander in Chief John E. Gilman.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, comrades, we will hasten the business of this encampment by giving absolute and unqualified attention to its proceedings. I trust you will all do us the honor to obey that little injunction because there is business in it.

The adjutant general will call the roll of the officers of the encampment.

(The roll of officers was called by the adjutant general and the following officers of the encampment were found to be present: Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams, Senior Vice Commander in Chief J. G. Chambers, Junior Vice Commander in Chief Chas. H. Haber, Surg. Gen. C. M. Ferrin, Chaplain in Chief Philip A. Nordell, Adj. Gen. Albert M. Trimble, Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Judge Advocate Gen. Thomas S. Hopkins, Insp. Gen. Thomas H. Brown, National Patriotic Instructor Geroge D. Kellogg, Asst. Adj. Gen. George A. Newman, Asst. Q. M. Gen. J. Henry Holcomb, Chief of Staff George A. Hosley, and Senior Aide-de-Camp Joseph Teeter.)



Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you that the roll as submitted by the committee on credentials be accepted by this encampment and become the roll of the encampment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. Is it seconded? [Several of the comrades seconded the motion.] Those in favor will say "aye." Contrary will say "no." It is so ordered.

Next in order is the reports of officers.

Comrade R. L. CHASE, of Iowa. We have on our delegation Past Commander in Chief DAVID J. PALMER. I wish you would order him on the platform. We want to get rid of him.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I beg your pardon. I did overlook that little courtesy and I now ask the past commanders in chief to come forward on the platform so that this splendid organization that you have builded up can have the privilege of seeing you once more on the platform and facing them. Kindly come at once, will you?

(Whereupon the past commanders in chief present and not already on the platform came to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am going to ask you to be seated. If there is anything in our Grand Army encampment which should command respect it is for you to listen to and criticise any overt act of your officers. [Applause.] You can only do that by giving attention, and I invite your criticism.

(The comrades standing in the aisles were then seated, Senior Vice Commander in Chief J. G. CHAMBERS was called to the chair, and the commander in chief then read his address to the encampment, as follows:

#### ADDRESS OF COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

My Comrades: This is the fifty-third unbroken session of the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the one hundred and forty-third year of our national independence. Great organizations, like the mighty mountain ranges, suggest perspective and distance. Their grandeur and beauty can not be measured until viewed from the distant plains.

Now that 53 years have passed and the years of 1917 and 1918 have become epochal in the history of the world, we can justly say that the going-out of the fifty-second and the ushering-in of the fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic were during a critical period in our country's history, a period in which our order took an important, and in some respects, a leading part.

Reviewing its history, we find it has not only been the greatest patriotic body of men in the world, but it has stood as a bulwark of freedom and justice, protecting our every interest at home and exalting our freedom throughout the world. In 1914 it was the one patriotic order of men who clearly defined the diabolical purposes of the Kaiser of Germany to extend his autocratic power until he had enveloped and enslaved the human race. It was the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic that first called the attention of our country to the dangers confronting us and the duties incumbent upon us to combat this arch enemy of freedom, the tyrannical ruler of Germany.



In retrospect, let me say, the Grand Army of the Republic has stood, not only as the bulwark of freedom and justice in the past, but it has strenuously combated every disturbing element in our country. It has opposed the pernicious doctrines of States' rights, copper-headism, pacifism, and communism, but today it is battling the anarchist, the socialist, the I.W.W.'s, and the Bolsheviks.

A brief résumé of our history might not be amiss here. Push back the curtains of time and it will seem as though some infinite power had entered the ranks of our association and guided its course along the lines of purity of the principles upon which the American Union is founded. Looking back over the 143 years of our history, a mighty pageant starts into view, in which the soldier forms an interesting and important part.

The War of the American Revolution called to the ranks of the Continental Army 309,781 intrepid, brave, freedom-loving men, who were willing to match their courage with the armed forces of despotism. Their trials, sufferings, and sacrifices were great, their battles were most sanguinary and for eight years did they continue the fight until victory was won. The money cost of the war was \$170,000,000, but it was worth all it cost, because it drove from our shores, kings, tyrants, and despots. It did more than this. It gave us two of the mightiest documents ever handed down by man, the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States. It also gave us George Washington, the beloved "Father of our Country," whose words of wisdom are pulsating the heartbeat of our country to action in the settlement of the great questions that are now before us.

The next war was in 1812. Five hundred and seventy-six thousand six hundred and twenty-two American soldiers rallied to our standard in this war. They had their sufferings, sacrifices, and casualties. The money cost of this war was \$120,000,000 in round numbers. This war was also worth all it cost, because it gave us the freedom of the seas for more than 100 years and it also gave us that stern, fighting American soldier, General Andrew Jackson, the hero of New Orleans.

Then came the Mexican War, and in contemplating the outrageous conditions down there for the last seven years, I am hoping we may have a Gen. Scott or a Zachary Taylor who will soon go down and clean out that murderous gang of cutthroats, because we have got it to do.

The great war was the War of the Rebellion. In this war 2,772,408 men offered their lives as a sacrifice that the "American Union might be preserved." These men formed a battle line 3,000 miles in length and protected it with 1,700 regiments of Infantry, 900 batteries of Artillery, 480 regiments of Cavalry, and the Navy.

This mighty host was fully imbued with the fighting spirit of 1776, patriots all of them. They had answered the call of the immortal Lincoln and in more than 2,500 battles, they preserved the Union undivided and our flag unsullied. Their losses were:

Killed and died of wounds received in battle.....	110, 070
Died in prisons, and by accident.....	40, 154
Died of disease.....	199, 720
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Making a total of deaths during the war.....	349, 944
And those who have since died of wounds would bring the total casualties to 20 per cent of all the soldiers engaged.	

A great sacrifice was this, but the supreme sacrifice was the life of our beloved Lincoln. He lived to save the Union; he died to consecrate it with his life's blood. It is not enough to say that his name is unrivaled in the history of mankind; that he molded and shaped a mighty epoch, and his character was supreme above it all, but greater and beyond this, he was a true American, and this brings him closer than any other man to the hearts of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

To no one else, however honored and great, has come so much of the pure American spirit that courses the veins of our people; such spirit as exalts liberty, right, and justice and dethrones wrong and oppression. His words are an inspiration to the liberty-loving people of all nations. His name is first among the world's elect and it is immutably fixed. His voice was radiant as the sunbeam and charmed all his hearers. His Gettysburg speech had its abiding place down in his soul's deep cell and came forth with undying love to bless mankind.

Edward Everett, the chosen orator for the Gettysburg dedication, in his two-hour speech, uttered hundreds of polished sentences; his speech is booked up in the libraries to be read at leisure, but the six-minute speech of Abraham Lincoln scattered a handful of golden grain that has taken root in the hearts of the liberty-loving peoples of the world and became the beacon light that guided our valiant legions in winning the World's War.

The money cost of the Civil War was approximately \$5,000,000,000. It also was worth all it cost. It gave us a stronger Union than ever before; it freed a race from bondage; it gave us the greatest military leaders of all time; but greater than all, it gave us Abraham Lincoln, and it gave us the Grand Army of the Republic, the true conservators of our patriotism for the last 50 years.

Then came the war with Spain. This was not a long war, but it had its sufferings and sacrifices. The money cost was over \$200,000,000, but it was worth all it cost. It forever lowered the tyrannical flag of Spain from the Islands of the Antilles and the Luzon, and the Cuban and the Philippino became free. It also gave us that beloved comrade, President William McKinley, and it started Theodore Roosevelt on his mission for a stronger and better America.

Then came the great World's War. For two years our Nation marked time and seemed almost to be lulled to sleep by the siren voice of the pacifist, and it began to look as though the ropes and chains had already been forged to bind and fetter the liberties of the world.

Finally the demands of the Grand Army of the Republic caused our Nation's heart to begin to beat. The swish of the submarine and the murder of our citizens upon the high seas caused the "Old Guard" to awaken. Our blood ran at fever heat; Grand Army men and Grand Army posts offered their services and demanded that Germany must be punished.

Finally Congress declared war against the Imperial German Government, and on April 5, 1917, including the 750,000 men who had volunteered, ten million American freemen knelt at Freedom's shrine. From the farm, the shop, the factory, the counting-house, the forum and the marts, came an army of 4,000,000 men, the best blood of the land. More than a million and a half of them were the



lineal descendants of the veterans of the Civil War; Federal and Confederate. Thank God!

I would like to be able to describe this splendid army of 100 per cent Americans as they marched forth in 1917 and 1918, as you did, my comrades, in 1861 to 1865, under the Flag of our country. I would like to be able to pen a picture of these splendid American legions as they marched to the training camps "over here" and the battlefields "over there."

Two millions embarked to cross the seas and enter the battlefields of the Allies under the command of that superb American soldier, Gen. John J. Pershing. It would be an inspiration if I could catch but a single spark of Americanism that flashed from the sword of Gen. Pershing and ran along the line of gleaming bayonets of his charging men as they "went over the top," amidst the roaring Krupp cannon, the rattle of the machine guns, the repeating rifles, the bombs, the hand grenades and poisonous gasses; unwilling to give up until the Hindenberg line was smashed and the morale of the German army broken.

The lamentable thing to me is that they could not have had their way about it and pounded the German army into "unconditional surrender," thereby forcing a true basis for a lasting peace and carrying out the traditions of the American soldier, that freedom and justice have no compromises. The settlement of the Civil War and the reuniting of our distracted country was embraced in just six words. Two were "unconditional surrender," and the remaining four were, "Let us have peace," and there was peace; a peace so just that it immediately fixed in the hearts of all our people, never to be disrupted again.

I can see arising from the ranks of the World's War veterans a mighty legion, founded upon the unwritten law of sacrifice of life and limb, of millions; an organization born in the vortex of war and welded in the fire and heat of battle. This organization will stand, as our own organization has stood, for freedom and right, and it will do for the world what the Grand Army of the Republic has done for this country—command its peace.

The living, fighting legions of the United States are mainly back upon their native soil. Oh, how grand the welcome. Those who fell upon the battlefields are enshrined in a halo of unsought glory and are our mightiest departed. Their heroic deeds and sacrifices stand out unique in the history of all time, glorifying the American soldier and placing his name upon the brightest pages of the world's history.

To those who survived the war, the world is their debtor, and may the day never come when they shall be forgotten.

#### PENSIONS.

A maximum pension of \$50 per month for all soldiers of the Civil War, and \$30 per month for their widows and the Army Nurses of the Civil War has received almost universal approval from our comrades. This bill has been approved by your committee on legislation as well as by myself and is receiving the active support of the committee, as well as our friends in Congress. Comrades Washington Gardner and John McElroy have especially been active on the com-



mittee. Senators Reed Smoot and McCumber and Congressmen Sherwood, Osborne, Hollingsworth, Fuller and many others have contributed their time in forwarding bills in Congress for the relief of our comrades, and since writing my report the bill has been reported unanimously for passage by the Congressional committee.

#### OUR AUXILIARY, THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

This organization stands without an equal. It is the largest patriotic body of women in the world; over 173,000 loyal women banded together in the cause of Friendship, Charity and Loyalty; friends of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. But this does not express all. The loyalty and patriotism displayed by this organization has no bounds. Care of and assistance to our comrades is their first recognized duty and it is most carefully and loyally performed. Among the patriotic societies of our country, their work and name is supreme.

Their president, Mrs. Eliza Brown Daggett, in all her work and public utterances has enthused her hearers and pointed the way to a united country and a higher and nobler Americanism. This great order has raised and disbursed millions for our comrades. No suffering comrade or his dependent one in village, cottage, hut, or hovel has gone unnoticed. Blessed deeds of mercy have been performed in their name, of which no legible record is ever made save in heaven.

If we would really know what this organization is, what a wealth of power it possesses, and where its best works are wrought, we must ask the unfortunate comrade or his dependent one, who but for this order would be left kneeling in her somber robes, penniless and alone, beside the grave where lie her buried hopes and love.

The name, Sisters of the Woman's Relief Corps, has great significance. It is supreme in the annals of the Grand Army of the Republic. It blends the life of our loyal and patriotic order with the good deeds they have inaugurated, and they will ultimately carry the name and the fame of our veteran organization and place it in the brightest pages of our country's history, there to remain as the synonym of all that patriotism and loyalty can imply.

I can not speak too highly of the vast amount of money our auxiliary has raised to assist in the World War. Their donations to the Red Cross, the ambulance fund, and the win-the-war fund were far greater in amount than from any other patriotic order of men or women, and at the same time they loyally and generously attended to every want of the veterans of the Civil War.

The total amount of money expended by the Woman's Relief Corps since its organization is approximately \$5,080,000. Their assistance in winning the World War was as follows:

Amount contributed to Red Cross.....	\$21, 319. 46
Amount contributed to win-the-war fund.....	15, 200. 91
Amount subscribed for Liberty bonds.....	60, 710. 74
Amount invested in war savings stamps.....	147, 578. 24
Value of Liberty bonds sold by members.....	6, 076, 038. 60
Total amount.....	6, 320, 847. 95

In view of this extraordinary work and the phenomenal growth of this order, the relief they have and are now extending to our comrades, the growing patriotic tendencies, the building up of a true American sentiment and spirit so noticeable in the rising generation, its capability to go far beyond the original purposes of its organization, and considering the urgent calls for relief that have come to them from ravages of the World War, and their ability to take the lead in supplying needed assistance, and believing as I do that it will not detract one iota from the care and assistance our comrades should receive, I therefore recommend that the Grand Army of the Republic encourage our auxiliary to extend their charitable work of necessary assistance to the loyal soldiers, sailors, and marines of our later wars; also to join our organization in extending and broadening the observance of our sacred Memorial Day's exercises unlimitedly to the graves of all the departed heroes who fought in defense of American freedom, thereby placing this incomparable order of loyal women in the van of civilization; to keep sacred the name of the Grand Army of the Republic in all future generations, enlarging the scope of their national duties, and enabling them by their efforts to alleviate much of the suffering of our loyal Army and Navy.

#### ARMY NURSES OF THE CIVIL WAR.

The basis of this organization was founded in the dark days of our Nation's greatest trials. These women were the soldiers' friends on the march and in the camp. They were our guardian angels on the battle fields and in the hospitals. The good they did and the suffering they relieved can never be told. Their love, their loyalty, their prayers, their watch in the silent vigils of the night made many despondent sick and wounded men strong. Their tender care eased the pain of the soldier whose life was fast ebbing away and whose spirit took its flight to heaven on the fervent prayer of these "angels of mercy." Here let me say with the poet:

Ever in the realms of glory  
Shall shine their starry fame;  
Angels have heard their story,  
God knows all their names.

#### LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC AND DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

These organizations are performing a great and laudable work. Their constant care, sympathy, and devotion to the veterans of the Civil War have been a solace and an inspiration to the members of our order. They have assisted the crippled, the sick, and the needy. They have spread lessons of patriotism and love of country, upon which our Nation grew strong.

The national presidents of these two patriotic orders, Mrs. Rose Houghton, of Washington State, and Mrs. Estella M. Moore, of Illinois, respectively, have performed a great work in inculcating the spirit of loyalty to our country and its flag and in inspiring their organizations to strictly adhere to the principles of freedom upon which rests the hopes of our Republic.



## SONS OF VETERANS AND THEIR AUXILIARY.

The Sons of Veterans are the lineal descendants of the veterans of the Union Army, and their auxiliary, the loyal womanhood of our land and the help and support of both the Sons of Veterans and the Grand Army of the Republic. In the line of patriotism the work of these orders can not be measured by words, but the fruits of their labors, varied and numerous, are taking deep hold upon the country wherever they have wrought.

The commander in chief of the Sons, Francis Callahan, of Pennsylvania, and the president of their auxiliary, Miss Margaret W. Carney, of Massachusetts, have ably represented these organizations. It has been my pleasure to attend many meetings with them, and I have seen their audiences inspired by their eloquent and patriotic appeals.

## MEMORIAL DAY.

This great day has leaped the boundaries of its institution and has, without formal action, extended this holy American day to the graves of the heroes of other wars, and, like the inspiration of American independence, has taken deep root in the hearts of all liberty-loving people. This day was universally observed by our people this year and the graves of our heroic comrades were tenderly cared for. Some efforts were made to subvert the day to other things, but an indignant public joined with the Grand Army in their suppression.

I firmly believe the cooperation of all our patriotic societies would be a great blessing and would not only result in bringing about a higher order of patriotic endeavor, but a truer and better American spirit.

George H. Thomas Post, No. 17, of Indianapolis, Ind., passed resolutions; which were indorsed by Past Judge Advocate Gen. William A. Ketcham and Past Adj. Gen. Robert W. McBride, calling my attention to the advisability of broadening and extending our Memorial Day exercises to include the graves of the soldiers of all our wars. This commendable request, I hope, will receive the unanimous support of this encampment, and that such action will be taken as will make it the permanent policy of our order to hold sacred the resting place of all those who have served our country in times of war.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Since our last national encampment we have parted with many of our loyal comrades. Past Senior Vice Commanders in Chief Thomas H. Soward, of Oklahoma; William F. Conner, of Texas; and J. Kent Hamilton, of Ohio; and Past Junior Vice Commanders in Chief Ira E. Hicks, of Connecticut, and Guy T. Gould, of Illinois, have gone.

Past Chaplains in Chief John Ireland, of Minnesota, and J. Wynne Jones, of Maryland, have gone. Twenty-six or more of our past department commanders have gone, and we mourn the death of nearly 10,000 who have "crossed the bar" this year, and with Thomas O'Hara, the American poet, we say:

On fame's eternal camping ground  
 Their silent tents are spread,  
 And glory guards with solemn round  
 The bivouac of the dead.



## BATTLE MOUNTAIN SANITARIUM.

Our comrades are all familiar with the attempt to subvert this great national home for the afflicted veterans to other uses than those for which it was intended, and it was only through the vigilance and prompt action of Hon. Charles H. Sloan, Congressman from the fourth district of Nebraska, supported by Comrade John McElroy, that we defeated the bill providing for the transfer. I trust that no such ungrateful act will ever be attempted again.

## RAILROAD RATES.

Railroad rates of 1 cent per mile for this encampment and 2 cents per mile for all department encampments were obtained simply by the asking, and thanks are due to the Director General of the United States Railroad Administration, Mr. Walker D. Hines; Director of Traffic, Mr. Edward Chambers; and Assistant Director of Traffic, Mr. Gerrit Fort, for this generous treatment.

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

All organizations rightfully interested in this meeting were represented by their respective presiding officers at a meeting held in the city of Columbus, Ohio, last February, seven in number. We selected accommodations to full requirements, went before the Columbus committee on national encampment, and by the prompt action of Adj. Gen. A. M. Trimble, Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, first member of the executive committee George A. Price, and Chief of Staff George A. Hosley, the contract for all requirements was made and signed in the space of 40 minutes, thereby convincing us that the Columbus committee, consisting of ex Gov. Campbell, Postmaster Kinnear, Mayor Karb, Asst. Adj. Gen. Matthews, and Secretary Daniels, of the chamber of commerce, have the habit of "going over the top."

## OFFICIAL RECOGNITION.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief John G. Chambers, of the Department of Oregon, has given every aid possible to the administration. He has visited department encampments in his territory and performed valuable service where needed.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Charles H. Haber, of the Department of Virginia and North Carolina, has loyally performed his part in the true spirit of a comrade and deserves much commendation.

Surg. Gen. Chester M. Ferrin, of the Department of Vermont, has exercised care and diligence in his important office and is entitled to great credit for duty well performed.

Chaplain in Chief Philip A. Nordell, of the Department of Massachusetts, has performed the religious rites of our Grand Army in a reverential spirit and he has ably represented the head of the Grand Army at department meetings.

Adj. Gen. Albert M. Trimble, of the Department of Nebraska, has ably met every requirement and faithfully performed every duty in an absolutely creditable manner and in a spirit of comradeship such as he only can command. His counsels have been an inspira-

tion and a guide and his courtesy is unexcelled. More than competent has he been in the classification of his great work, its application and its execution. He, too, has ably represented my office at department encampments and he has been the main spoke in the active business affairs of our order throughout the year.

Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits of the Department of New York, ever active, keen, and alert to the finances of our order, by his gracious civilities has endeared himself to all our comrades. His great experience as a financier applied to the finances of our order, has always placed his work in the list of the perfect. He, too, on all occasions has rendered me great assistance by his able counsel, and not only has my confidence, but is entitled to a great share of any success coming to my administration.

Judge Advocate Gen. Thomas S. Hopkins, of the Department of the Potomac, in the most able manner has performed the duties incumbent upon his office. The Grand Army of the Republic is exceedingly fortunate in having his excellent legal mind to guide us in determining the intricate questions which confront us.

Insp. Gen. Thomas H. Brown, of the Department of South Dakota, is entitled to the thanks of his comrades for his efficiency. His report as to what is being done by the various States for our comrades and their widows, and the aid given toward the support of many of the department headquarters, is worthy of notice and commendation.

National Patriotic Instructor George D. Kellogg of the Department of California and Nevada has performed a lasting and patriotic service which will inure to his fame and add to the patriotic spirit of our country.

Asst. Adj. Gen. Newman, of the Department of Iowa, has performed a great service by his ever wholesome comradeship and advice.

Asst. Q. M. Gen. and Custodian of Records J. Henry Holcomb, of the Department of Pennsylvania, has endeared his name to the Grand Army for his splendid work performed in his office.

Chief of Staff George A. Hosley, of the Department of Massachusetts, has no peer in the line of his duty. Broadminded, active and competent in every way, he is a skillful organizer and tactician; lays his plans well and executes them fearlessly. He accompanied me to several department encampments and I found his comradeship so affable and his speech so true to the patriotic ring, that I detailed him to represent me at the Vermont encampment.

Senior Aid de Camp Joseph Teeter of the Department of Nebraska, has honored the staff with his good words and works. His record as a comrade and a soldier is unsurpassed.

Miss Katherine R. A. Flood, of Newton Mass., secretary to the commander in chief, is entitled to the respect and gratitude of us all for her competent services. Ever ready to do a kindness and act the part of a lady in her painstaking and inimitable manner, her loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic is unquestioned.

#### VISITATIONS.

Among the pleasant duties performed, was the dedication of the Lincoln and Douglas monuments and the laying of the cornerstone of the million-dollar memorial at Springfield, the State capital of Illinois. These ceremonies occurred on the date of the centennial of



Illinois statehood and were under the direction of the governor, Hon. Frank O. Lowden. Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, delivered the address at the Douglas monument and Lord Charnwood, of England, spoke from the English standpoint on the life of Lincoln, and, representing the Grand Army of the Republic, I was called upon to deliver the dedicatory address at the Lincoln monument.

At Atlantic, Iowa, I was called upon to dedicate the Cass County soldiers' monument, at which the department commander of Iowa and staff and Past Commander in Chief David J. Palmer and Hon. Robert G. Cousins were among the speakers.

My duties called me into 25 States, visiting department encampments, national-holiday meetings, Liberty loan drive, departing soldiers, returning soldiers, patriotic meetings, dedication of soldiers' monuments. In all the visitations called for 120 addresses from a Grand Army standpoint, and the distance traveled approximated 20,000 miles. The loyalty and respect shown to the Grand Army of the Republic on all occasions was phenomenal. Whatever success has come to my part in this administration is due to the loyalty and good standing of our beloved order.

#### UNLAWFUL USE OF OUR NAME.

There seems to be a desire to connect the name of the Grand Army of the Republic, or "G. A. R.," to numerous societies whose purposes and ambitions seem to be to thrive on this name and possibly fall heir to the effects of our organization. I realize that one deleterious effect has been to cheapen our name. These organizations ignore the fact that our name and its organization are copyrighted and belong solely to the Grand Army of the Republic. I submit the propriety of this encampment passing resolutions requesting all future administrations to take action in preserving the name of the Grand Army of the Republic and "G. A. R." inviolate, and for our more necessary protection I recommend that steps be taken at this meeting to incorporate our organization.

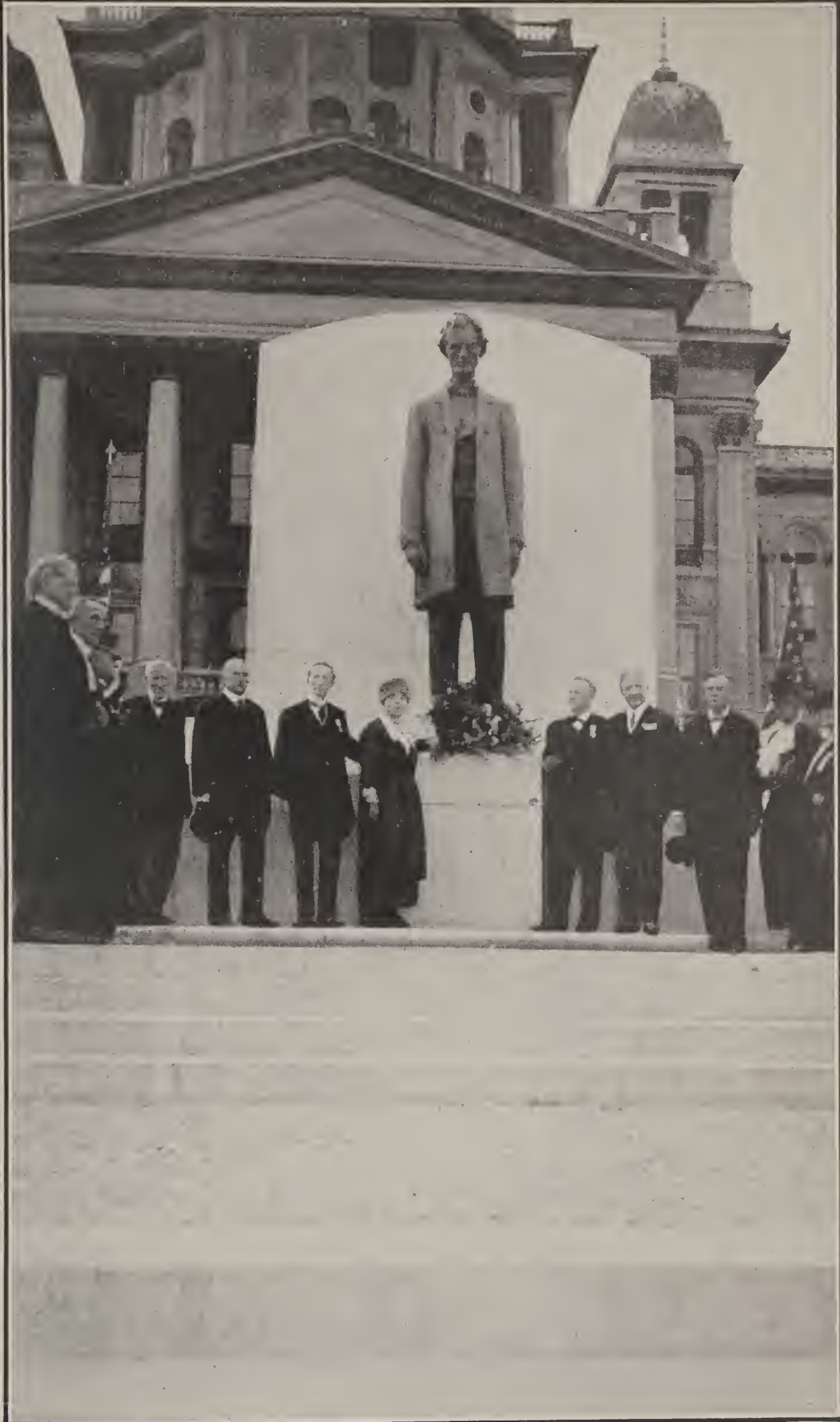
#### SOLDIERS' PREFERENCE LAW.

During this administration the Grand Army of the Republic, ably assisted by the Spanish War Veterans, succeeded in placing upon the statute books of this country the soldiers' preference law, whereby preference shall be given all soldiers, sailors, and marines and their widows in all civil governmental appointments. This just law has been waiting for 40 years. Our organization can receive but little benefit from it, except the satisfaction coming to those who have done good unto others. I trust the broadest construction will be put upon this law to the end that no political spite or greed will ever subvert it from its humane and laudable purpose.

#### WORLD'S WAR VETERANS.

These wonderful fighting legions have consulted the Grand Army of the Republic, and on all occasions have been advised to the best of our ability as to the formation of the "American Legion." And it is my hope that the soldier organizations of all our wars will form





DEDICATION OF LINCOLN MONUMENT, SPRINGFIELD, ILL., OCTOBER 5, 1918.  
CENTENNIAL OF THE ADMISSION OF ILLINOIS INTO THE UNION.

Left to right: F. G. Blair; L. L. Emmerson; Lieut. McKillen; Homer Colkins; Clarendon E. Adams, commander in chief; Lord Charnwood, of England; Miss Florence Lowden; Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy; Gov. Frank O. Lowden, of Illinois; Dr. Otto L. Schmidt; Mrs. F. O. Lowden; and Mrs. Josephus Daniels.



a mighty patriotic federation, to the end that the love of our own United States may receive an impetus that will carry it to the highest ideals for which they fought and sacrificed.

It is my belief, superinduced by the true spirit of Americanism, that I have everywhere witnessed in the 25 States I have visited, that not only the Grand Army of the Republic, the Spanish War Veterans, and the American Legion but that all other patriotic organizations should form a strong union and of their respective societies, founded upon the principles of freedom and justice, having for its solid foundation the true spirit of America for Americans, the land of one language, and that the American; the country of one flag, and that the American flag.

And as the Grand Army of the Republic has been prominent among the true conservators of patriotism in this country for the last 50 years it seems proper for them to take the initiative in bringing about this patriotic federation, and looking to that end I recommend that committees be appointed to perfect and establish this laudable American undertaking.

This will not mean the amalgamation of these separate societies. It simply means a united harmonious action against all disrupting influences that may beset our Government. It would mean that bolshevism, I. W. W. ism and anarchy in all its forms would be suppressed. It would mean that the people would govern this country, and that the agitator whose only mission is to disrupt and destroy—they together with the merciless profiteer and the mountebank—would be either suppressed or deported.

The united efforts of these societies is not only essential but indispensable in the great constructive period we have to contend with.

United we can carry forward the great principles of freedom upon which our Government rests, maintaining its peace and prosperity at home and its dignity and respect abroad.

#### FEDERATION OF SOCIETIES.

It is my hope, superinduced by the good work I have witnessed, that the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R., the Daughters of Veterans and the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary may form a national federation of loyal societies, the same to be based upon the solid foundation of "America for Americans; one Country, one Language, and one Flag." This federation does not mean the consolidation of all patriotic societies, by any means. It simply means an effort to bring about, if possible, a more united harmonious action among the several organizations along patriotic lines.

#### CONCLUSION.

My comrades, my duty as commander in chief will end with this encampment. The success of this year's work belongs to your sympathy and loyal support. Its failures or imperfections are mine. May all things precious come to you and to my successor to this high office.

I close with these sentiments: "America for Americans;" let our slogan be "One Country, one Language, and one Flag." And I say: If anyone attempts to raise the red flag of anarchy in this country, "shoot him on the spot."



The ADJUTANT GENERAL. The department president of the Woman's Relief Corps of Tennessee has just died and they are calling for the commander of the Tennessee Department.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. (Calling the encampment to its feet by the gavel.) Comrades, salute our commander in chief.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. A committee from the national convention of the Ladies of the Grand Army at the outpost.

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. Comrades, I presume each one of you have a printed copy of the reports of all the officers. Therefore I move you, Commander in Chief, that all the reports of the other national officers be received as printed, without reading.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the motion. All who favor it will say, aye. If there be any opposed, say no. It is carried, and so ordered.

I will appoint on the committee on the address of the commander in chief, Alfred B. Beers, of Connecticut; D. J. Palmer, of Iowa; and S. R. Van Sant, of Minnesota.

(The reports of the national officers referred to above are printed at the end of the official proceedings.)

(The commander in chief then resumed the chair.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I believe it would be your pleasure to admit the Ladies of the Grand Army. The officer of the day will see that they are admitted.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. The committee to receive the Ladies of the Grand Army is Comrades George W. Rhoads, of Pennsylvania; J. E. Gandy, of Washington and Alaska; W. W. Smith, of Kansas; and W. C. Calland, of Missouri.

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. There is nobody in this encampment that has more regard for these splendid women that compose the allied organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic than I have, but we come here to transact the business of the encampment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. My comrade, I have decided they could be admitted, and unless my comrades call me down they will be admitted.

Comrade BENGOUGH. Just one moment, Commander in Chief, and I think you will forgive me. I hope the commander in chief will say to these ladies to have one representative speak and get through with it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has already been attended to. Don't take up the time. Comrades, I have endeavored to put "pep" into this encampment. Don't think I am leaving out these little matters.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. The wife of the commander in chief with a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps is at the outpost.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Did you also report the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic?

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. Yes, sir, I reported the Ladies of the Grand Army.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Please announce the members of the committee to the Woman's Relief Corps.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. The committee to receive the committee from the Woman's Relief Corps is S. R. Van Sant, of Minnesota, chairman; J. W. Willett, of Iowa; George A. Price, of New York; and Samuel Fallows, of Illinois.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will announce that resolutions to come before this encampment will be presented to the committee on resolutions. Hand up your resolutions now.

Comrade W. M. HAHN, of Ohio. I want to make an inquiry. I noticed in your address that you speak about pensions. What I want to inquire is, Ohio passed a resolution providing pensions should be paid monthly. By some reason or other——

(At this point the encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as the delegation from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic composed of Past President Mrs. Virginia C. McClure, of Illinois; Dr. Mary B. Martin, of Washington; and Dora H. Lyon, of Indiana, who were escorted to the platform by the receiving committee and presented through the chief of staff to the commander in chief.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I have the great pleasure and honor to present to you a delegation from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. We will hear from them.

Mrs. VIRGINIA C. MCCLURE, of Illinois. Commander in Chief, officers and members of this encampment: Comrades, other committees are in waiting and I know that you want to proceed with your business. I shall detain you but just a moment. It would not be possible for me to express the great pleasure with which we, the representatives of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, come into your presence to-day. We come to bring our memories, our hopes, and our greetings, and we are much impressed by the gracious courtesies extended in this hearty welcome and fully reciprocate by tendering you our loyalty, confidence, and devotion.

This is not the first time we have had this privilege accorded us to meet with you in these annual gatherings, and as we stand again here to-day many loved faces appear whose presence is with us only in memory. When we would consider the aims and objects of the order to which we have consecrated our service, the grand heritage which it is ours to honor and protect, and the faithful records of the sufferings, heroisms, and triumphs of those who devoted their lives to our country and our flag and preserved to us the Nation, holding the honor and respect of all nations of the globe, we are filled with renewed gratitude and additional patriotic devotion.

We are proud of our title and our association with the Grand Army of the Republic, that we can assist it in its high and holy mission of perpetuating our Government and handing it down to future generations as a grand heritage from those who sacrificed so much that our country might exist. We shall stand by you as did your mothers in the hour of triumph and conflict.

There is no other organization in the world that has done so much for the people, for good government, for righteous laws, for liberty, and the dissemination of general intelligence and the spirit of patriotism worthy the emulation of the present and future generations as the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Long may you live, happy in the welfare of your native land, the love of your countrymen and the admiration of the world. I thank you. [Applause.]



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Ladies, the Grand Army of the Republic appreciates the honor of your call this morning. We trust your organization will prosper and that your convention here will be not only a satisfactory one but an eminent success, as they have always been.

Mrs. McCLURE. I have the pleasure, Commander in Chief, of pinning this badge upon your breast. It is from the president of our organization.

The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as the delegation retired and as the delegation from the Woman's Relief Corps was received. The latter delegation consisted of Mrs. Eliza Brown Daggett, of Massachusetts, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps; and of Past Presidents Abbie A. Adams, of Nebraska; Emma Stark Hampton, of Michigan; Harriet J. Bodge, of Connecticut; Mary L. Carr, of Colorado; and Sarah E. Fulton, of New York.

Chief of Staff GEORGE A. HOSLEY. Commander in Chief, I take pleasure in presenting Past Commander in Chief Van Sant, who will present the ladies.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. Commander in Chief, I have the honor to present a delegation from the Woman's Relief Corps headed by Mrs. Eliza Brown Daggett, national president; Mrs. Abbie A. Adams, whom you know very well; Emma Stark Hampton; Harriet J. Bodge; Mary L. Carr; and Sarah E. Fulton. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, we will hear from the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Eliza Brown Daggett. I have the honor to present her to you now.

Mrs. ELIZA BROWN DAGGETT, of Massachusetts. Commander in Chief and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, this is not the first time that you have heard my voice on this platform, and as it is customary to bring not only the greetings but the report for the year's work of the Woman's Relief Corps, I will take but a very few moments of your time and will now with your permission, Mr. Commander in Chief, read the report for the year of the Woman's Relief Corps. [Reading:]

REPORT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, TO THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

COLUMBUS, O 110, September 8, 1919.

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: I have the pleasure of presenting to you a brief summary of the work accomplished by the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, for the year ending March 31, 1919.

*General Summary to Mar. 31, 1919.*

Number of departments.....	36
Number of provisional departments.....	2
Number of corps.....	2,564
Number of members.....	173,286



Amount expended for relief.....	\$30, 393. 08
Amount of cash turned over to posts.....	19, 853. 71
For relief, other than money.....	61, 335. 32
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Total expended as above.....	\$111, 582. 11
For Memorial Day.....	1, 052. 80
For Southern Memorial Day fund.....	1, 007. 00
For Army nurses.....	1, 360. 00
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Total.....	3, 419. 80
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As above during the year.....	115, 001. 91
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Total amount expended for relief and Memorial Day, etc, from date of organization to Mar. 31, 1918.....	4, 955, 136. 94
Total expended for year ending Mar. 31, 1919.....	115, 001. 91
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Total expended for relief, Memorial Day, etc., since organization to May 30, 1919.....	5, 070, 138. 85
The national treasurer's report shows cash balances Mar. 31, 1919:	
In general fund.....	8, 219. 15
In all other funds.....	15, 666. 68
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Total cash in all funds.....	23, 885. 83
Due from departments.....	144. 10
Due from detached corps.....	000. 00
Salable supplies, valued at cost.....	8, 634. 81
Invested in Liberty bonds.....	2, 000. 00
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Total assets.....	34, 664. 74
Liabilities, none.	
The following items are submitted of war work for the past year:	
For French and Belgian refugee children.....	\$1, 000. 00
Partial reports from departments show the following amount contributed to Red Cross.....	
Amount subscribed for Liberty bonds.....	21, 319. 46
Amount invested in war savings stamps.....	60, 710. 74
Value of Liberty bonds sold through efforts of corps members.....	147, 578. 24
	6, 076, 038. 60
In addition there were thousands of garments for soldiers made and many thousands of surgical dressings and hospital garments for the sick and wounded that the loyal women of your auxiliary produced.	
Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.	

ELIZA BROWN DAGGETT,  
National President.

Comrades of the Grand Army, your wives at home have more money than you realize. We do the saving and know the value of a dollar.

Commander in Chief, it is my great pleasure this morning to have with me one of the incorporators of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Mary L. Carr, of Colorado; one of the veteran workers, Mrs. Harriet J. Bodge, of Connecticut; and also our first national president and the senior vice president past that is living, Mrs. Emma Stark, of Michigan; and my own sister, Sarah E. Fulton, of New York. And not last nor least is our commander's wife, Abbie A. Adams, of Nebraska. I would like this committee to rise. They are very modest, because like you they have grown gray in service. I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Torrance, will you kindly reply to the felicitations of the Woman's Relief Corps?

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. Mrs. Daggett, National President Woman's Relief Corps, and most distinguished and honorable women: It is a bright and beautiful morning and we are in a happy frame of mind, and your coming at this early hour has added to the brightness of the day and the happiness of the hour. [Applause.]

I listened, as did all the other comrades, with the greatest attention to that splendid report of the past year's work, and I tried to picture in my mind 173,286 ladies associated together for a common purpose, and that purpose of the highest possible order; 173,286 American women, 100 per cent American women, representing every village and hamlet and section of this great United States of America. And I thought how greatly you had contributed to the splendid results of this dreadful war from which we have just emerged. These statistics are dry and incomprehensible to us, but the living womanhood behind them, the noble character of these American women is worth to America more than all the wealth of the mines and of the forests and of the fields of America. [Applause.]

So you are welcome this morning. Our poor, old, feeble bodies and hearts are inspired by your presence, and we thank God for the gift of you and your association, and we will try in some way to show our gratitude and our appreciation of what you have done by striving to be better husbands and citizens of this great Republic. [Applause.]

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITS. Commander in Chief, as quartermaster general of the Grand Army of the Republic, I think it is no more than proper that we should recognize the great aid the Woman's Relief Corps has been to us. They donated \$1,007 in April for the Southern memorial fund, and I hold in my possession \$1,000 for our general fund, and I move that the thanks of this encampment be extended to them publicly.

(Several comrades seconded the motion.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. (The encampment having been previously called to its feet by the gavel) I shall take the standing sentiment of this encampment at this moment as a vote on the resolution. The motion is unanimously adopted.

(The delegation then retired, and the encampment was seated.)

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. In regard to the reports on the members of the committee on resolutions and members of the council of administration, we find that Delaware, Oregon, and Texas have failed to send in their nominations. We hope they will do so at once.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades will please take notice accordingly. Announcement of committees.

(The adjutant general then read the following list of committees appointed by the commander in chief:)

On address of the commander in chief:

Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers, of Connecticut.

Past Commander in Chief David J. Palmer, of Iowa.

Past Commander in Chief Samuel R. Van Sant, of Minnesota.

On reports of other officers:

Past Commander in Chief Orlando A. Somers, of Indiana.

Past Commander in Chief Leo Rassieur, of Missouri.

Comrade George A. Newman, of Iowa.

Chairman committee on resolutions:

Past Commander in Chief John E. Gilman, of Massachusetts.

On rules and regulations and ritual:

Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers, of Connecticut.

Past Commander in Chief Leo Rassieur, of Missouri.

Comrade William A. Ketcham, of Indiana.

Comrade F. H. Hurd, of Washington and Alaska.

Past Junior Vice Commander in Chief John M. Vernon, of Illinois.

Greetings to Association of Army Nurses:

Comrade Frank O. Cole, of New Jersey.

Comrade John M. Adams, of Ohio.

Comrade E. L. Hawk, of California and Nevada.



Greetings to Woman's Relief Corps (revised):

Past Commander in Chief Samuel R. Van Sant, of Minnesota.

Past Commander in Chief W. J. Patterson, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.

Comrade Samuel Fallows, of Illinois.

Greetings to Ladies of the G. A. R.:

Comrade George W. Rhoads, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade J. E. Gandy, of Washington and Alaska.

Comrade W. W. Smith, of Kansas.

Comrade W. C. Calland, of Missouri.

Greetings to Daughters of Veterans:

Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner, of Michigan.

Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.

Comrade John H. Mills, of Iowa.

Greetings to Sons of Veterans:

Comrade J. D. Hicks, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade J. S. Hoagland, of Nebraska.

Comrade F. M. Cline, of Oklahoma.

Greetings to Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary:

Comrade Philip A. Nordell, of Massachusetts.

Past Commander in Chief John R. King, of Maryland.

Comrade Daniel Ryan, of Indiana.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the appointments. The first named on each committee shall be the chairman. You will please see that the committees are properly organized, transact their business, and report to this encampment as dexterously as possible. Next order of business, reception and reference of communications from departments by seniority. The communications will be passed up as soon as the department is called.

Comrade W. M. HAHN, of Ohio. We will adjourn pretty soon and I want an expression in this encampment on the matter I presented. In your report you speak about the monthly pension. I am deeply interested.

Comrade Wm. A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. A point of order. The point of order is that the recommendations of the commander in chief will be referred to a committee that is to consider that subject, and suggestions that are to be made should be made to that committee and not undertake to creep under the tent here.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The point of order is sustained, comrade.

Comrade HAHN. I only want to say the comrade is against me.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is all right. If anyone has a communication or resolution, pass it up now.

(Whereupon the roll of departments was called by the adjutant general, and those departments having communications or resolutions for the consideration of the encampment sent them to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the next order of business is the presentation of individual communications. Have you anything to offer?

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. If it is in order, I would now move that all resolutions be referred to the committee on resolutions without reading.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those in favor will say, aye. Contrary, no. The ayes have it. It is so ordered.



Anyone any communication to offer? That order of business is closed. The next in order is the reports of committees.

(Committees not ready to report.)

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Mrs. Lillian Pollock, of the W. R. C., Denver, lost or had stolen her purse containing return ticket to Denver, five \$10 American Bankers' Association Traveler's checks, and \$10 in cash. Return if found to the cashier at Deshler Hotel.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Next in order is unfinished business. Any unfinished business?

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. A motion to adjourn is always in order. It is not debatable.

Comrade COLE. I want to say why I make this motion. The different committees can visit the organizations to which they have been appointed and report this afternoon. We can get done with all that business and come in to-morrow morning and we can have the election of officers and selection of the next place of meeting and the report of the committee on resolutions, and there will be no further business.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I rise to amend the motion of Comrade Cole and make it 2 o'clock.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the motion to adjourn until 2 o'clock.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. The motion was not to adjourn. It was "when we adjourn."

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is to adjourn until 2 o'clock. Those in favor will say, aye. Opposed, no. The ayes have it.

(Whereupon, at 12:02 p. m., the encampment took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.)

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1919—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The encampment was called to order at 2.05 p. m. by the commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the time has arrived for resuming our encampment business. First in order is reports of committees. I want to announce that reports of committees will be in order at any time a committee is ready to report.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. A change has been made in the committee to carry greetings to the Relief Corps. Comrade George A. Price is relieved, and Past Commander in Chief Wm. J. Patterson of Pennsylvania takes his place.

Telegram. [Reading:]

WILLSBORO, N. Y., September 9, 1919.

C. E. ADAMS, *Commander in Chief, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

Having been identified with the Grand Army of the Republic since its organization I regret that it is impossible for me to attend the encampment, owing to imperative engagements. All honor to the heroes dead and living who have saved our country and will ever defend it.

NELSON A. MILES.

[Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Just along that line I want to announce to you—I happened to leave the communications on my table—a communication from Gen. Pershing regretting exceedingly that he

could not attend this encampment. [Applause.] Another from Gen. Leonard Wood stating that he had been called to Washington to appear before the committee but that he hoped to be back by to-day or to-morrow and would endeavor to visit you. [Applause.]

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Telegram. [Reading:]

AURORA, ILL., September 8, 1919.

COMMANDER IN CHIEF GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

*In Encampment assembled, Columbus, Ohio.*

National Council World War Veterans comprising twenty-five hundred thirty organized posts send greetings to their fathers, the Grand Army of the Republic, and assure the veterans of Sixty-one and Sixty-five that the veterans under the National Council banner will gladly assume the duty of perpetuating the history and achievement of the Grand Army and therefore ask to be given at least joint recognition with American Legion or other veterans, associations of the World War. God bless all of you. Would that you could live forever.

CHAS. M. RAPHUN, *Adj. General.*

[Applause.]

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. I move you, Commander in Chief, that the adjutant general be directed to reply to that telegram with all the spirit that is possible, representing this encampment.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the motion. Those in favor will say, aye. Contrary, no. It is so ordered.

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. Inasmuch as you are on this line of greeting, there has just returned to this country from abroad our great commander, Gen. Pershing. I move you that this encampment send to him hearty greetings of welcome.

(Several comrades seconded the motion.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is that the hearty welcome of the Fifty-third Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic be tendered to Gen. John J. Pershing. All those in favor will say, aye. Contrary, no. The motion is unanimously carried.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Announcement. Henry C. Cooke, assistant adjutant general, department of Illinois, has two railroad tickets from Columbus to Hillsboro, Ill. that some one has lost. See him at room 408 and 412 Hotel Deshler.

The committee on resolutions. In order that it may be absolutely correct, we read the entire list.

(The adjutant general then read the following committee on resolutions:)

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	H. M. Austin.....	Bedford, Va.
Arizona.....	Milo Webb.....	Phoenix.
Arkansas.....	Horace Wyman.....	Bentonville.
California and Nevada.....	E. L. Hawk.....	Sacramento.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	D. A. Rankin.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	Ira R. Wildman.....	Danbury.
Delaware.....	Jesse Hellings.....	Dover.
Florida.....	H. J. Penrod.....	St. Petersburg.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	W. M. Scott.....	Atlanta.
Idaho.....	Judson Spofford.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	Richard H. Peterson.....	Chicago.
Indiana.....	William A. Ketcham.....	Indianapolis.



Department.	Name.	Address.
Iowa.....	R. L. Chase.....	Des Moines.
Kansas.....	R. A. Campbell.....	Hutchinson.
Kentucky.....	Edwin Farley.....	Paducah.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	E. T. Gibson.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	James L. Merrick.....	Waterville.
Maryland.....	George Prechtel.....	Upperco.
Massachusetts.....	John E. Gilman.....	Boston.
Michigan.....	Oscar A. Janes.....	Detroit.
Minnesota.....	Levi Longfellow.....	Minneapolis.
Missouri.....	Charles G. Burton.....	Portland, Oreg
Montana.....	James R. Goss.....	Billings.
Nebraska.....	W. H. Stewart.....	Geneva.
New Hampshire.....	David R. Roys.....	Claremont.
New Jersey.....	Frank O. Cole.....	Jersey City.
New Mexico.....	H. B. Steward.....	Albuquerque
New York.....	Lewis S. Pilcher.....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	D. G. Duell.....	Devils Lake.
Ohio.....	Thomas R. Shinn.....	Ashland.
Oklahoma.....	W. H. Hornaday.....	Guthrie.
Oregon.....	W. M. Hendershott.....	Portland.
Pennsylvania.....	C. H. Wm. Ruhe.....	Pittsburgh.
Potomac.....	A. J. Huntoon.....	Washington.
Rhode Island.....	Charles E. Pierce.....	Rumford.
South Dakota.....	J. F. Reustle.....	Yankton.
Tennessee.....	S. P. Jones.....	Globe, Ariz.
Texas.....	A. Rockhold.....	Dallas.
Utah.....	Wm. M. Bostaph.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	Charles H. Granger.....	Rutland.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	Isaac Powell.....	Newbern, N. C.
Washington and Alaska.....	J. E. Gandy.....	Spokane.
West Virginia.....	Richard Robertson.....	Wheeling.
Wisconsin.....	Fred Wardrobe.....	Waukesha.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is upon the approval of the names just read as the committee on resolutions. What is your pleasure?

Comrade SAMUEL P. TOWN, of Pennsylvania. I move the adoption of the report, and that the names just read be the committee on resolutions of this encampment.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, and unanimously carried.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Past Commander in Chief John E. Gilman has been selected as chairman of that committee.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. A committee from the Sons of Veterans.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Admit them. Comrades, the next order is new business. What is your pleasure under the order of new business?

Comrade W. H. MITCHELL, of Kansas. I move we proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will have to inform the comrade making the motion that we have a rule in this organization that all the business of the encampment must be transacted before we proceed to the election of officers. Will you withdraw your motion?

Comrade MITCHELL. Yes, sir.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Here is a list of letters that are lying at National Headquarters. (Reading a list of names). Any of you whose names have been read, inquire for your mail at National Headquarters, mezzanine floor, Hotel Deshler.

Here is a communication. [Reading:]

CANTON, ILL., *September 6, 1919.*

Dr. R. I. LAW, *Gale burg, Ill.*

MY DEAR DOCTOR AND ESTEEMED COMRADE: Age and its accompanying decrepitude will prevent me from attending the Fifty-third National Encampment, as I hoped to do. Being the last surviving member of those who organized the Grand Army of the Republic, more than words can express do I regret my inability to mingle with the boys in Columbus.

Be pleased to express to the members of the National Encampment my appreciations for favors received in the past at their hands. And my earnest and heartfelt daily prayer is that our splendid order shall long continue, and peace and prosperity may ever attend every comrade.

Having been one of the band that organized the order, my well wishes will accompany it to its end.

In F., C. and L., I ever remain, Your Comrade,

JOHN M. SNYDER.

[Applause.]

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. I know that all the representatives in this encampment want to finish the business we have and do it as rapidly as possible. Believing that under the rules we can now proceed to select the place for our next meeting, I therefore move you that that be the next business in order.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is the selection of the place of the next encampment.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. There should be a motion to suspend the rules and proceed to the selection of the place of the next meeting.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is not necessary to suspend the rules. It is covered in the regular order of business. All those in favor of proceeding to the selection of the next place of meeting will say, aye. Contrary, no. It is so ordered, and you will proceed.

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I move that the roll of the departments be called and that each one having a candidate, announce it. That is the regular way.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. In the presentation of the names for the next encampment, the invitations will first be read. We have an invitation from San Francisco. If there are any other invitations from any other cities who are candidates we would like to have their invitation sent up now.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that the roll of departments be called and each department be allowed to present such city as it choses to present. That, I believe, is the regular way.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is just what we are proceeding to do, as soon as he reads those invitations.

Comrade COLE. The roll should be called and the invitations presented in regular order.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The roll call will proceed.

(The adjutant general then began the calling of the roll of departments, no response being made until Colorado and Wyoming was reached.)



Comrade C. M. BILLS, of Colorado and Wyoming. Comrades, we live in the West where we mine your gold and your silver. We furnish your beef and your wheat. We are far west, but where the Almighty paints a picture every second till the setting of the sun. And we are ambitious. We have proved at Denver we could take care of you. We have a little city, Colorado Springs, that wants to be heard. [Reading:]

[The State of Colorado, Oliver H. Shoup, governor.]

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,  
*Denver, September 2, 1919.*

TO THE OFFICERS AND DELEGATES  
OF THE NATIONAL G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT,  
*Columbus, Ohio.*

On behalf of the people of the State of Colorado I am herewith extending an invitation by Gov. Oliver H. Shoup that your next encampment in September, 1920, be held in the city of Colorado Springs, Colo., as desired by your past commander, Hon. Asa Curl, of Colorado.

The State of Colorado will esteem it a great honor to have your annual encampment in this State, for we all realize the splendid work done by the old soldiers of the Civil War in behalf of national unity and concord, and as their numbers are rapidly decimating, we would esteem it especially appropriate that the next encampment be held here.

Yours, very truly,

C. A. LEMMERS,  
*Secretary to the Governor.*

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CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR,  
*August 26, 1919.*

Mr. ASA CURL, *City.*

DEAR Mr. CURL: As you are to attend the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic as the representative of Colorado Springs Post No. 22, may I ask you to also act as my representative in extending to the national encampment an invitation to consider Colorado Springs for its fifty-fourth reunion?

I know of no one better qualified to describe the many attractions with which nature has blessed this region, and which would add so much pleasure to such an occasion.

Need I tell you that the city will be indeed honored by the presence of these veterans to whom the Nation owes such a debt and upon whom we look with loving pride?

Yours, very truly,

C. E. THOMAS, *Mayor.*

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THE COLORADO SPRINGS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
*Colorado Springs, Colo., August 18, 1919.*

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio.*

GENTLEMEN: The Pike's Peak Region, through the Chamber of Commerce of Colorado Springs, invites the Grand Army of the Republic to hold its national convention next year in the Pike's Peak Region—America's Scenic Playground.

We understand that your convention will take place in September or early in October. Our climate at this time of the year is most delightful and your meetings can be held with the greatest of comfort. This will also be after our tourist season is over, and the entire hotel accommodations of the vicinity will be at your disposal. These accommodations are of the best and are ample to meet all the requirements of your association.

Colorado Springs' fame as a tourist resort is international. Its ability to handle important conventions is attested by the fact that it has entertained during the last few years, such representative gatherings as the Governors' Conference; the American Public Health Association; the National Editorial Association; the Supreme Council, Knights of Columbus; the International Association of Insurance Commissioners; large State political and good roads conventions, and a host of other gatherings of national and international membership.

Six trunk lines place Colorado Springs in direct and easy communication with your delegates in every section of the country.

We trust that the attractions of Colorado Springs and the Pike's Peak Region will appeal to you and that this city may receive the careful and favorable consideration of your committee and of your membership.

Very truly, yours,

CHAMBER of COMMERCE.  
R. O. GIDDINGS, *President*,  
JAS. P. SHEARER, *Chairman*,  
*Committee on Conventions.*

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. I have a communication addressed to my predecessor which I will read at this time. [Reading:]

SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION AND TOURIST LEAGUE,  
*August 16, 1919.*

Mr. ROBERT W. McBRIDE,  
*Adjutant-General, National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*1224 State Life Building, Indianapolis, Ind.*

DEAR SIR: We take pleasure in inclosing herewith invitation to the members of the national encampment Grand Army of the Republic. Kindly present it at the meeting in Columbus in September.

Please advise us immediately upon decision to hold the 1920 meeting in San Francisco. We will then arrange for the convention in our new \$2,000,000 auditorium. Halls furnished free of charge.

Yours, very truly,

SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION AND TOURIST LEAGUE,  
R. L. WEBB, *Secretary.*

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SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION & TOURIST LEAGUE,  
*August 16, 1919.*

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

GENTLEMEN: The San Francisco Convention & Tourist League, representing the citizens of San Francisco, has the honor to extend to you herewith a cordial invitation to hold your 1920 meeting in San Francisco, and pledges you a hearty and enthusiastic welcome.

Your delegates are certain to be accorded the generous transportation rates which have been granted upon previous occasions of this kind.

A trip to California to view the scenic beauties, the national parks, fine beaches, and wonderful drives throughout the State will repay you for your journey, and send you back to your work with renewed energy and rested nerves. You will, therefore, have not only the convention as a magnet, but also the trip through the many natural wonders, which is an inspiration.

Should you desire to hold your meetings in our magnificent Exposition Auditorium you will be granted use of necessary halls free of any expense.

Trusting your decision may be in favor of San Francisco, and assuring you your visit here will be made one of your happiest memories, we are,

Yours, very truly,

SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION & TOURIST LEAGUE,  
R. L. WEBB, *Secretary.*

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I want to state in regard to San Francisco that the Department of California and Nevada have never been consulted in regard to this matter, and that this is purely an advertising scheme of the parties, and that California and Nevada does not seek the encampment.

(The roll call was continued without further response until New Jersey was reached.)

Comrade E. F. HANN, of New Jersey. Comrades, I hold in my hand here the invitation of eight, from the governor down to Joe Hooker Post of our city, and the unanimous vote of the Department



in New Jersey presenting our invitation for you to convene in Atlantic City in 1920. [Applause.]

I am not going to promise you halls for the convention to meet in, but I am going to promise you what we gave you when you met there in 1910, and even more. [A comrade: You can't do it.] I will show you whether I can do it or not. In 1910 we furnished free headquarters for each and every department in one of the hotels. We will repeat that again if you come there next year. We won't house those who are not able to furnish their own lodging in tents or schoolhouses, but we will house them in private cottages as we did in 1910. That is something you have not received anywhere else. We will guarantee you there rates below what you can get in any other city in the Union that this encampment has ever been in, which we did in 1910. We have a city of hotels. We don't have to depend upon cottages. You can get rates there to suit all classes and all pocketbooks, it don't make any difference what it is.

Now, we don't claim that we have a right to demand it over any other place, but we do claim that this should be divided up and not go to the extreme West twice in succession, for last year you were at Portland.

That invitation is open to you. If you see fit to come there we will grant you all those concessions. We will give you free rolling chairs. We will give you autos, the same as they have given you in Columbus, so that you may see the island from one end to the other. We will give you free boat rides on the ocean, which they can not do in Colorado Springs.

I hope that this encampment will see fit to come there, and I give you my word of honor, as I am backed by the Hotel Men's Association, that what I have promised you here you will get.

If any comrade has any questions to ask me I am ready to answer them.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I would like to ask you what appropriation the State has made.

Comrade HANN. The State has donated us \$25,000 and our commissioners have given us \$5,000, making \$30,000 to start with. Not a cent has been contributed as yet by our hotels, and they stand ready to contribute the minute we get this encampment. If we don't fill every promise I have made you, your commander in chief and the council of administration will have the power and the privilege of withdrawing the encampment from Atlantic City.

The communications referred to by Comrade Hann and deposited with the adjutant general are as follows:

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
*Sea Girt, August 18, 1919.*

TO THE OFFICERS IN CHARGE OF 1920 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, G. A. R.

GENTLEMEN: On behalf of the State of New Jersey I extend to you a sincere and cordial invitation to hold your 1920 encampment in Atlantic City of this State. You know full well the preeminent capacity of Atlantic City as a convention meeting place and in addition to the natural advantages and splendid hotel accommodations I desire to say that the entire citizenry of New Jersey will welcome the members of your great organization. The legislature has already appropriated the goodly sum of \$25,000 to help cover expenses, and this of itself is indicative of the eagerness of New Jersey to entertain those who so loyally went forth in the days of their youth and preserved the Union inviolate. Will you please accept this invitation as the expression of New Jersey and believe me with all good wishes.

Yours, very truly,

WM. N. RUNYON, *Governor.*

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE MAYOR,  
*Atlantic City, N. J., August 20, 1919.*

MR. CLARENDON E. ADAMS,

*Commander Grand Army of the Republic, Lincoln, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER ADAMS: On behalf of Atlantic City, I desire to tender an invitation to your organization to meet in the greatest convention city in the country—needless to say Atlantic City. I assure you that you will be more than welcome and we will endeavor to make your stay a pleasant one.

You can get accommodations in our hotels for men of small means as well as those of the most expensive habits. The wonderful accommodations at these hotels should be in itself a sufficient inducement. Our magnificent boardwalk, our climatic conditions, and the hospitality of our people should be considered, and I assure you again we would make every effort to make your stay a pleasant one.

While Atlantic City entertains many conventions in the course of the year, there is no convention that we would consider more of an honor to entertain, than the patriotic boys of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Atlantic City has appropriated \$5,000 to entertain your convention, should it decide to come to our city and this is the only convention for which we have ever appropriated any money for entertainment purposes.

We would surely consider it a privilege, an honor, and a pleasure to have you again visit our beautiful city.

Very sincerely, yours,

HARRY BACHARACH, *Mayor.*

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
*Atlantic City, August 18, 1919.*

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio.*

GENTLEMEN: The chamber of commerce takes great pleasure in again extending to the Grand Army of the Republic a most cordial invitation to hold its 1920 encampment in Atlantic City, the world's greatest resort. All that we can offer will be freely given for your enjoyment, including unexcelled hotel accommodations for all, convenient and commodious halls for holding meetings, and recreation attractions too numerous to mention.

Trusting this invitation will have your favorable consideration, we are,

Yours, very truly,

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
 S. P. LEEDS, *President.*

ATLANTIC CITY HOTEL MEN'S ASSOCIATION,  
*Atlantic City, N. J., July 30, 1919.*

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio.*

GENTLEMEN: The Atlantic City Hotel Men's Association takes great pleasure in extending to the Grand Army of the Republic a most cordial invitation to hold its encampment for 1920 in Atlantic City.

We are all very desirous of having you with us again, and our association assures you of its hearty cooperation in every way to assist in making this a most successful encampment, and assuring you of a rousing welcome.

Trusting that our invitation will receive your favorable consideration, we remain,

Very respectfully, yours,

ATLANTIC CITY HOTEL MEN'S ASSOCIATION,  
 JOEL HILLMAN, *President.*

ATLANTIC CITY PUBLICITY BUREAU,  
*Atlantic City, N. J., August 21, 1919.*

MR. CLARENDON E. ADAMS,

*Commander Grand Army of the Republic, Lincoln, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER ADAMS: The Atlantic City Publicity Bureau and the citizens of this city are desirous of having your next convention held in our city. The marvelous ocean breezes dissipate at all times discontent from the hearts of all men, and produce an endless amount of energy, vigor, and enthusiasm that will lend inspiration to your gathering.

For more than a century this city of the Atlantic coast has been described by the poets and leading writers of the Nation, as a paradise of the tourists and while we have all the advantages of any city in America, we have the added advantages of a climate



and numerous attractions combined with hotel accommodations that are unlimited. These hotels are the most modern and reasonable of any similar place in the world; no place where your gathering could combine pleasure and business so harmoniously as in Atlantic City.

Our railway facilities are the best in the United States, being only one hour's ride from Philadelphia and three from New York City, therefore transportation can be arranged for at as low rates as any point in the country.

We would have no trouble whatever in taking the best of care of the delegates and others who attend your convention, and this bureau will give you all possible assistance desired without any expense to you for our service.

This bureau, or some hotel connected with it, will provide for you at its own expense a satisfactory meeting place for your business sessions, and the ocean piers afford unrivaled opportunities for large exhibits. Our annual average of State and National conventions is 170.

Should any of your officers or committees visit Atlantic City we trust that you will get in touch with us, so that we can give you any needed assistance in showing you the unsurpassed convention facilities of our city, its hotels, piers, etc.

This invitation is extended not only by the Bureau of Publicity, but also on behalf of the Atlantic City Hotel Men's Association and the Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce.

Should Atlantic City be favored with your next meeting please so advise us and, if desired, we will be happy to cooperate in making it a success to all interested.

Very truly, yours,

C. P. STINE, *Secretary-Director.*

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AVENUE HOTEL ASSOCIATION OF ATLANTIC CITY,  
*Atlantic City, N. J., July 31, 1919.*

GRAND COMMANDER, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

DEAR SIR: It affords me great pleasure to extend an invitation in behalf of the Avenue Hotel Association of Atlantic City for your organization to select Atlantic City as your meeting place for your 1920 convention. I can assure all of your delegates of a most hearty reception and courteous treatment at the several avenue hotels represented in our organization.

There is no other place in this country that has so much to offer your convention visitors as Atlantic City. Hotel accommodations, of course, are always of primary importance. There is no place that can begin to compete with Atlantic City in the excellence of accommodations we can offer. We are also pleased to call your attention to the large assortment of high-grade amusements, excellent shops, superb bathing beach, splendid facilities for sailing and deep sea fishing, and other attractions too numerous to mention.

Again assuring you that it is a pleasure for all of the members of the Avenue Hotel Association to serve your visitors should we have the opportunity, I am,

Very truly, yours,

A. CONRAD EKHOLM,  
*President Avenue Hotel Association of Atlantic City.*

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY AT THE FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,  
DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, HELD AT ASBURY  
PARK, N. J., JUNE 26 AND 27, 1919.

Whereas the city of Atlantic City proposes to invite the national encampment to hold their 1920 meeting at Atlantic City; and

Whereas the legislature of the State of New Jersey has appropriated \$25,000 for the purpose of entertaining the said encampment: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the representatives of this department to the national encampment at Columbus, Ohio, be requested to use all honorable means to secure the acceptance by the national encampment of such invitation.

[SEAL.]

G. DWIGHT STONE, A. A. G.

HEADQUARTERS JOE HOOKER POST, No. 32,  
DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY, G. A. R.,  
*Atlantic City, N. J., June 24, 1919.*

At a regular muster of the post held on the above date, it was unanimously resolved that we extend an invitation to the national encampment to meet in Atlantic City in 1920 at their session in Columbus, Ohio, in September, and that we use all honorable means to secure the same.

Fraternally, yours,

Official:

E. F. HANN, *Post Adjt.*

[SEAL.]

JOHN C. ALLEN, *Post Commander.*

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. Can I ask the comrade a question?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You are recognized. Proceed. We are not here to be disciplined. We are here to do business.

Comrade BENGOUGH. I want to do business. That is what I was after. Comrade, what this encampment is interested in particularly is to know whether you can say on behalf of Atlantic City and its citizenship and the men who run the hotels, that the rates will be fixed as you fixed them before—at least low enough that the comrades can go there comfortably.

Comrade HANN. I made that statement, that I am authorized by them and by Mr. Bell, who was in the city yesterday and was met by a number of the comrades, to say that we will give the lowest reduced rates possible. We are not in Atlantic City to make money off of you, because we get your advertisement. When you met there before it was the best advertisement that Atlantic City ever had before or since. And we are ready to repeat it again this time, and I am authorized to say so here.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I recognize the fact that I permitted this question to come when I ought to have submitted it to you at the end of this proceeding. Hereafter there will be no more questions asked, but at the end of the calling of the roll you will have an opportunity to ask questions.

(The calling of the roll by the adjutant general for nominations was continued and concluded without further response being made.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Have you any questions to ask of those who have made the announcements?

Comrade O. S. REED, of Colorado and Wyoming. Comrades, we ask you to hold your next encampment in one of the most attractive and beautiful cities in all these United States.

Comrade W. H. MITCHELL, of Kansas. I would suggest that this gentleman, if he is going to address us, talk louder.

Comrade REED. I simply desire to say in behalf of the membership of Colorado and Wyoming, we extend a most hearty and cordial invitation to have the next encampment held in one of the most beautiful cities in all America. Indeed, it is the center of scenic attractions that are beyond description. We will give you free rides to the top of Pike's Peak, carry you through the Garden of the Gods, and through various places of interest and give you a royal good time. It is a city of 45,000 population made up almost wholly of hotels and boarding houses, so we are amply able to take care of this encampment no matter how large its numbers may be. Last month there were entertained in our city 100,000 visitors, and we know we are safe in saying we could take care of this encampment.



There have been read letters from the governor, from the mayor, and from the chamber of commerce. This is from the citizens generally. It is a general invitation from the entire citizenship, not alone of Colorado Springs but of the old Centennial State of Colorado.

Come, enjoy the fresh breezes. Come, enjoy the pure water. Come and enjoy the greatest encampment ever. We are at the foot of the Rockies. Come, hail the old Rockies with us.

We promise you now, so far as rates are concerned, they will be as low as the lowest that you have had anywhere in all the history of the encampments in this great country of ours. Come to Colorado.

Comrade ASA CURL, of Colorado and Wyoming. My comrades, I am from Colorado Springs. We are not going to disturb you with mosquitoes out there, and I will say further we have entertained this summer over 250,000 people. And then talk about the idea we can't entertain this encampment.

Come out there and we will show you the beauties of the world. We don't expect to show you piles of brick and great buildings and skyscrapers, but we will show you the eternal mystery of the ages piled against the azure sky. Come out and enjoy the free breeze where we live and move.

We will insure you all the money. We have got one street there—two streets in fact—in the city upon which we have 125 millionaires, the richest city on the continent for its size and its population. We will entertain you right and we will give you all the freedom of the city.

You have an invitation from Gov. Shoup. He is a citizen of our town, and he wants me to express to this encampment that if you will come there, he will see—and he is a millionaire himself—that you are properly entertained.

We will give you the liberty of the city. Not only that, but we will show you that we have got a great many things that they haven't got down in Atlantic City. We haven't got, as I said a moment ago, any mosquitoes. We haven't got any boats. We don't expect to show you any ocean, and we don't expect to show you the high skyscrapers that they have, perhaps, down there. But I'll tell you what we will do for you. We will show you the most beautiful scenic playground on God's green earth. I am quoting that passage from President Roosevelt. He calls us the city of homes. He says that we undoubtedly stand above all other places on God's green earth as the scenic center and playground of the world. Come out and see us.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What is your further pleasure? I am going to make a suggestion. You have been pouring items of business in to me. Let me suggest a little business here. There are only two of these places. Don't you think you could try it out by a viva voce vote?

Comrade CHARLES SMITH, of Illinois. I will make this motion, that we suspend the rules and let the adjutant general cast the vote for New Jersey—Atlantic City. [Laughter.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. In the absence of a motion we will call the roll. Let me suggest for one moment that the civilities of this encampment do not permit of visiting while we are undertaking to do business.

(The adjutant general then called the roll of departments on the selection of the place of the 1920 encampment, with the following result:

Department.	Colorado Springs.	Atlantic City.
Alabama.....	5	5
Arizona.....	1	.....
Arkansas.....	8	.....
California and Nevada.....	24	1
Colorado and Wyoming.....	14	.....
Connecticut.....	.....	11
Delaware.....	3	7
Florida.....	6	4
Georgia and South Carolina.....	1	13
Idaho.....	12	.....
Illinois.....	24	5
Indiana.....	28	3
Iowa.....	.....	25
Kansas.....	28	2
Kentucky.....	1	12
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	6	.....
Maine.....	.....	9
Maryland.....	.....	16
Massachusetts.....	.....	29
Michigan.....	5	21
Minnesota.....	15	2
Missouri.....	19	.....
Montana.....	5	6
Nebraska.....	17	.....
New Hampshire.....	1	10
New Jersey.....	.....	21
New Mexico.....	7	.....
New York.....	.....	51
North Dakota.....	12	.....
Ohio.....	24	10
Oklahoma.....	15	.....
Oregon.....	11	.....
Pennsylvania.....	.....	48
Potomac.....	.....	11
Rhode Island.....	.....	11
South Dakota.....	15	.....
Tennessee.....	7	8
Texas.....	4	5
Utah.....	6	.....
Vermont.....	.....	11
Virginia and North Carolina.....	.....	8
Washington and Alaska.....	15	.....
West Virginia.....	8	4
Wisconsin.....	11	2
Total.....	358	371

The CHIEF OF STAFF. I have the honor to present A. E. B. Stephens, past commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans, and Judge John W. Kephart, of Pennsylvania, representing the Sons of Veterans here.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I have the pleasure of presenting to you this distinguished delegation. You will hear them.



Hon. A. E. B. STEPHENS, of Ohio. Commander in Chief and Members of the Grand Army of the Republic: Judge John W. Kephart of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and myself have been delegated by the officers of the national encampment of the Sons of Veterans to present ourselves before you to-day to extend their greetings. They are now assembled at their encampment in this city.

A great many of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic will recognize the work that has been done locally by the order of the Sons of Veterans. They were organized some 40 years ago when we were all boys. We were organized then as boys to do whatever we could to help our fathers and mothers and the widows and the orphans of the veterans of the Civil War. We have been engaged in this work ever since our organization. We have grown old, some of us, in performing this patriotic duty; and I want to say to the comrades here that you have in almost every State in the Union members of this organization who are ready at all times to assist you.

We recognize that your membership is growing smaller every year, and at our national encampments we miss many a loved face that we have been seeing in the last 25 or 30 years. I know that we can not be associated in this fraternal way a great many more years. There will be great and valuable work for your sons to do after you have left us. There are great duties that fall upon them now in this great Republic, and I want to say to you that the inspiration that they have received from the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic has helped them, has aided them in their march through life to make them better citizens and to teach patriotism, not only in their own community but throughout the length and breadth of the land; and I trust that our Government will be as safe in future years, that our Republic will be as safe now and each intervening year, as it has been in your hands ever since the Civil War. [Applause.]

All that we have and all that we hope to be we owe to the boys who went out in 1861-1865 and preserved for us this great Republic, marching under the Stars and Stripes. [Applause.]

I have also been delegated by the local Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, the ladies' society, the local Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary No. 17, of Columbus, Ohio, who during your stay here have fallen in love with your commander in chief, and they have asked me to present to him this beautiful basket of roses. [Applause.] So, Commander in Chief, I give these roses to you with the love of all of the beautiful girls of Columbus, Ohio. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Express to the kind ladies of this noble organization my appreciation, with these words, sir, that I never was nearer Heaven in my life than at this moment.

I want to introduce to you Judge Kephart, who will now address you.

Hon. JOHN W. KEPHART, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Commander in Chief and members of the Grand Army of the Republic, having been duly delegated by the national organization of the Sons of Veterans to convey to you their thanks for the many things that you have done for them during the past year, their heartfelt appreciation of the many things that you have made possible for them to enjoy, to come to wish you good luck, success, and health for the coming year and many more to follow, I wish to say to you that no more pleasant duty could befall me as a member of the Sons of Veterans, as a citizen of this great



Republic of ours, and as one of the highest officials of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to have devolve on me a task of that kind.

I am going to—even at the expense of myself, because I do not find beside me my good Comrade Hicks, who can tell it to you so nicely—relate to you a few circumstances of my life which will make you feel in some measure the great interest that I have in the Grand Army of the Republic of this Nation.

When I was a mere lad of 5 years my father, who had fought at the Battle of Antietam, South Mountain, Chancellorsville—at the Battle of Antietam where his regiment pushed forward to the Dunkard Church and where but a few days ago I had the privilege of standing on the sacred ground hallowed by the blood of the boys who marched with that man during that great fight—when I was but 5 years of age the Almighty deemed it wise that he should be taken from us, and my mother, a soldier's widow, left with five little children, without sustenance and without means, appealed to the grand old Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that opened wide her arms to that family and placed me, with my brothers and my sisters, in the Soldiers' Orphans' School of that State. And for 11 years, until I was of the age of 16, I was a student at that institution, nurtured, nourished, and cared for by that Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, inspired with the respect and the love and esteem for the soldier boys of blue throughout this great Nation that they wanted to honor by saying that no soldier's orphan should be left unprovided for. [Applause.]

I entered that institution and for 11 years I was taught by their instructors. I shouldered the gun when I was a boy. It was a wooden gun, but I shouldered that gun and marched from the time I entered until I was 16. I learned the rudiments of drill, and how bright and joyous a sight it was to me as a boy to see the gray-haired veterans come out from the neighboring towns and inspect the little boys in blue as we paraded in our blue blouses.

At the age of 16 I left that institution, having for my foundation an education unsurpassed anywhere in the United States of America. I pursued the study of telegraphy and became a telegraph operator, when the ambition born in me of the father that brought me into this world and that sainted mother who was just shortly taken from me—with that inspiration and ambition warmed by the sight of the boys in blue as we would see them year after year at our school, I sought the profession of the law and in due course of time the citizens of Pennsylvania saw fit, five or six years ago, to elect me as a judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. [Applause.]

I may say this to you, my friends, that in that contest—you of the States outside of Pennsylvania—that in Pennsylvania when the clarion call went out to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic that here was a soldier's child, here was a soldier's orphan a candidate for office, like one man these gray-haired veterans stood beside me, and their sons, and contributed largely to my election at that time. [Applause.]

And they were not satisfied, and I was not satisfied, with that, and it was only last year that as a candidate for the great court that presides over our Commonwealth, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, these same men in like manner saw to it that I was not only elected as a member of that court but elected by one of the greatest majorities ever given to a candidate on a nonpartisan ticket.



This is a great honor to me to be able to stand before you to-day. I don't want to detract one iota from the achievements of the boys who went across there over the boundless deep and fought in France, but as my mind takes me back and as my teaching takes me back to the days of 1861 to 1865 I can see the boys in blue as they stood upon the field of battle. They were not nourished or cared for, nor did they have behind their lines such great organizations as the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., or the Knights of Columbus, nor any of those great organizations which made life a pleasure on the field of battle. Their children were not cared for by any insurance or by any of the means that were taken during this great conflict just passed over. The boys in blue fought their fights in a way that wrote upon the great banner that floats over this land of ours in letters blazoned in gold, indelible in time, the greatest achievements that men could possibly accomplish, and nowhere, I care not where it is, and I proclaim it loudly, that the war of 1861-1865 was more to this country for its country's sake than any other war before or since. [Applause.]

We of the Sons of Veterans of this Grand Army want to perpetuate throughout all time to our children and our children's children, that the Constitution of the United States that you fought for, that many of your brothers died for on the field of battle, must not be seduced, must not be tarnished, nor one iota of our freedom given to anybody or any nation but the people that live within the confines of this great and glorious country of ours. [Great applause.]

We would be untrue to you and untrue to the sainted mothers that you married and brought us into the world by, why, we would be untrue to the great Maker of the Universe, if we would surrender one shred of the independence, the liberty, the power, and the greatness that you men have brought us. [Applause.]

It is our mission in life, so dedicated by resolutions passed to-day in the Sons of Veterans of America called together by a clarion call, renewing their allegiance to the Constitution of the United States, this great flag that many of your brothers died to save and many of you were wounded in its defense, aye, that not one shred of its glory shall ever fade away o'er land or be clustered in a flag that is to us nameless, without meaning, and can not but deprive us and take from the greatness which you men brought to us. That is the pledge of the Sons of Veterans of the United States, to live as our fathers lived, to die as our fathers died if need be for the Constitution, for the flag of this country and its ultimate end, the glory of the Christian world. I thank you. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to say to these distinguished comrades that have visited us that through their wonderful organization and their patriotic utterances we realize, sirs, that there is no power on earth that can add another man to the ranks of the veterans of the Civil War, there is no Lincoln left to make the call; there is no Grant to command; there is no Thomas, Sherman, or Meade to council; there is no Sheridan, Hancock, Custer or Logan to make the charge; there is no bugle to sound the retreat; but, sirs, here is a convention of those men representing the concerted and unified sentiment of 2,700,000 soldiers, that say to you and your organization, "Take the history of these men, their lives, their sacrifices, their devotion, and in your mighty organization carry it down the lines of history and place it in the brightest pages of the world's



history, and don't forget when you are doing it that America is for Americans.'" [Applause.]

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as the delegation retired.)

Past Commander in Chief JOHN E. GILMAN. I want to announce the immediate meeting of the committee on resolutions, and it will be held in this corner of the building in the post hall. Go to the middle door and turn to the right into the post hall, immediately after the adjournment of this meeting to-day.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. Commander in Chief and Comrades, by direction of the committee on legislation I desire to bring two or three matters to your attention and ask for your indorsement or rejection.

One is the present status of pension legislation. That you may better understand the situation perhaps it would be well to give the genesis of the present bill. Sometime in the early part of June the minority of your committee met the chairman of the House Committee on Pensions and had a conference with him. Later we met the chairman of the Pension Committee of the Senate and had a conference with him. Then Senator Smoot, who is our steadfast and devoted friend, conferred with us. The outgrowth of it was, conferring with all of these, and I might say with the Pension Commissioner besides, that a tentative bill was framed. That was submitted to the commander in chief, who is ex officio a member, and also the adjutant general, who was likewise by virtue of his office a member of the committee, and to each of the absent members.

The result of all this is that in the House the Committee on Pensions have introduced a bill, and I will give you the salient points, giving to all soldiers of honorable record of 90 days' or more service, \$50 a month; to the widows of all soldiers of a pension status, and bringing down the date of marriage, I think, to 1915, \$30 a month. The nurses of the Civil War were receiving but \$12 a month. Your committee recommended that they be put on a par with the widows of our comrades, and they are put at \$30 a month in this bill. It was felt everywhere that the maimed soldiers had not been treated as liberally as were the soldiers of to-day. They derive no benefit whatever from the bill that gave many of us \$40 a month and raises the pensions of nearly all of the others. So that a special effort was made to increase the maimed soldier, and all of these are in this bill at a raise, varying from \$60 to \$90 a month.

Now the conferences also resulted in this, not having four or five separate bills as has been the custom heretofore. One bill incorporates all these various features, and that bill has now been reported out by the unanimous indorsement—Democrats and Republicans—of the House Pension Committee. [Applause.] The committee report has not been yet printed, but I have a typewritten copy of the bill with a letter from Chairman Fuller, saying that the report and bill will be presented very soon.

The Senate has not yet taken action but I am assured by Senator McCumber that they will. The feeling of the committee is that the House committee has been extremely liberal with the boys, the comrades, in this bill, and that of it can be gotten through it will be our great good fortune.



A comrade said to-day, "Why do you ask this \$50 a month?" Another wrote me and said, "Why do you want an increase?" I answered, "Because there are many men to whom that increase is absolutely necessary to their comfort, and therefore we seek the comfort of our comrades even though some may not need \$50 a month." And if any of you don't want that when the bill is passed, just turn it over to the Treasury. They will take it back. [Laughter.]

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. Is there a property qualification in the bill?

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. No, sir; no property qualification; no Soldiers' Home qualification. It is straight through. Now the committee of the House and I think of the Senate alike would feel strengthened if back of that measure is your indorsement, and to know your minds I move that this encampment indorse the action of the House committee in reporting the bill now soon to be placed upon the calendar. [Reading:]

The legislative committee would respectfully recommend the indorsement by this encampment of the general pension bill, known as the Fuller bill, which has been favorably reported by the unanimous vote of the Pension Committee of the House of Representatives.

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the motion. Any remarks? [Cries of "Question."] Those in favor will please rise. I have the pleasure of announcing to you, Mr. Chairman of the Committee, that it has the unanimous indorsement of this encampment.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. Comrades, there is another matter your committee deems of sufficient importance to bring to your attention. That you may understand it better I will read:

Your committee is advised that the amphitheater in the Arlington National Cemetery will be substantially completed during the current month, finishing a work originated and successfully carried through in the face of many discouragements by the Department of the Potomac, from time to time aided by the moral support of the entire order.

It is recommended that the ceremony of the dedication be fixed at a comparatively early date and would suggest as the sense of this encampment that the occasion be observed on November 19 of the present year, the same being the anniversary of the establishment of the first national cemetery at Gettysburg, Pa.

It is further recommended that President Wilson as Commander in Chief of the Army and the Navy of the United States in the triumphant World War be invited to deliver the dedicatory address.

While we recognize the great service of the Department of the Potomac in making sentiment and in securing the appropriations necessary to build the structure, we also recognize that the Arlington Cemetery is pre-eminently the national burying ground of our country's heroic dead and would recommend to the commission that the dedicatory exercises be under the general direction of the Grand Army of the Republic and that all patriotic war societies be invited to share in the occasion.

I will say that the cost of the structure is nearly \$800,000 in the aggregate. I move the adoption of the recommendation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the motion.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. I would like to ask Comrade McElroy if he wishes to be heard on this.

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of the Potomac. Comrades, this is a matter that I feel is of intense importance to us as Grand Army men. It is not something ordinary. You all know the story of the camel that on a cold night went to the tent of the Arab and asked permis-



sion to stick in his nose and let it get a little warm. You remember that he not only got his nose in, but directly he had in his head and finally his whole body and the poor Arab was kicked out of his tent. That goes on all fours with the situation that now confronts us.

For more than a half century the Grand Army of the Republic, the Department of the Potomac by its location at Washington being the active agent in that way, has striven to make not only Memorial Day but to make Arlington a place of sepulcher for the heroic dead of our country which would be on a par with or surpass Westminster Abbey, or the Invalides, or any of the celebrated cemeteries of Europe. We have succeeded in doing so. We have met all kinds of obstacles. We have met indifference. We have met active opposition. But we have gone over them, continually brought it up and kept our faces steadfastly to the front, and we have built up Arlington with your assistance. We have only been your agents in this matter, because we have felt all the time you were behind us in every move that we made. We have built up Arlington until to-day it is regarded as a sacred place of sepulcher for our heroes and a place to which every man who does great service to his country may aspire when he dies and there find reward for what he was able to do for the benefit of his country. There are there Phil Sheridan, Rosecrans, many admirals, hundreds of others. Every man of note that served with us during the war hopes in the end to be buried in Arlington.

The next step in this thing is, for many years delegations of the Grand Army have gone before every Congress, been before the committees of the House of Representatives and Senate, and impressed upon them the wisdom and justice of making a fitting temple of patriotism in Arlington.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. John, let your voice out and give the inside facts plain to the boys.

Comrade McELROY. Thank you, Comrade Tanner. We have all been intensely interested in it and our efforts were at last crowned with success by getting an appropriation of \$750,000, which is now increased to about \$800,000. This amphitheater is now approaching completion. Now, in the meanwhile, there have been crowded in upon us, like the camel in the Arab's tent, others. President McKinley, in the kindness of his heart, ordered that the Confederate graves should be taken care of. There were a few Confederates buried in Arlington. The result of this was that they built a magnificent monument there. And they went further. They went to the War Department and secured an order that any who died hereafter should be buried there with exactly the same honors that we have secured for the Union veterans who were buried there. Any Confederate who desires to be buried at Arlington can apply to the garrison and get a firing squad and bugler and all the honors that we pay our comrades when we bury them there. And this is only the beginning.

The Spanish War Veterans—we extended our courtesies to them, provided they should bring them there. They came in and they wanted to absorb the place. We went over there—I as department commander of the Potomac and as acting department commander, went over there in the bitter cold of winter, during the driving rains, to conduct appropriate exercises over the *Maine* dead. We have welcomed all these other organizations to come there. The Presidents



of the United States have recognized from the first the primacy of the Grand Army of the Republic at Arlington. Every President of the United States except one has accepted invitations from the department commander of the Potomac to take part in our ceremonies and has been present on Memorial Day.

When the Government erected that magnificent monument to the dead of the *Maine*, the conduct of the ceremonies was handed over to me as acting commander of the Department of the Potomac. So that from the first to the last the Grand Army of the Republic has been recognized, up until this time, as having control of Arlington.

Now there has arisen a feeling among the others that do not belong to the Grand Army of the Republic that it is a national affair and that the Grand Army has no more right than anybody else there. They must not only share with us all the honors—which we do not object to—all the rights but they insist that they shall rather have the precedence in conducting the ceremonies. Now we want this national encampment to assert very strongly our rights, our proprietary rights there. I have told them that we had proprietary rights and they have rather tacitly agreed to it, but they are in danger.

At first I was a member of the commission. Last March when we had a meeting they were very much fascinated with the World War veterans, and they wanted them to have charge of the thing and they thought possibly the President would want to make it a special function of his own for the World War veterans. And then I pleaded the cause of the Grand Army of the Republic. Now it seems to me that it is wise and proper for us to insist upon our right to dedicate this amphitheater, which is our work exclusively. Not one of them has contributed to it in the way of getting the appropriation or in the way of keeping up the cemetery, and it seems to us that it would be wise for us, very wise, to invite the President of the United States, who was Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy during the war, to dedicate that magnificent amphitheater on the fifty-sixth anniversary of the dedication of the first national cemetery at Gettysburg.

Now the old Roman legions as they were going in review past the emperor shouted out, "Hail Caesar, we who are about to die salute thee." By the way at the last meeting of the commission we had quite a discussion. I will tell you about that. It may interest you. At the last meeting they had some highbrows there and they had prepared a lot of inscriptions in Latin, and one has already been cut over the entrance there, "*Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori.*" I didn't object to that. We all knew it so well that it was almost English to us. The others reminded me of the man in court who said to the jury, "My learned friend who has just addressed you has canted with Cantharides, socked with Socrates, and ripped with Euripides but what in hell has that got to do with the laws of Arkansas?" We want United States, and I am happy to say the Secretary of War has agreed with me.

I would like to see put up there something along this line, "Soldiers, we of the Grand Army who are about to die salute thee." [Applause.]

Comrades, I think if the National Encampment agrees with me it will pass this resolution and that the president will be impressed by it and will give us an address, and it will be the last great public function

of the Grand Army of the Republic. I trust that you will pass this resolution. [Cries of "Question!"]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, any further remarks?

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. I was 10 years a member of the committee on appropriations. To show you why some of us feel that we have a right to be heard at this time touching this matter, in the 10 years that I was on the committee on appropriations the Department of the Potomac sent its representatives every year to the last one or two, asking for the appropriation. I saw them turned down by a majority vote every time until the last—sneered at by certain members, "That old fellow is here again"—Judge Kimball, Comrade Kimball, now in his grave, asking for this, not for himself but for the heroic men who sleep there and who are yet to sleep there. He finally succeeded. Now we feel as though we have a right to participate in the dedication of this amphitheater, and I hope the resolution will be adopted unanimously.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption. Are you ready for the question? Any remarks?

Comrade LEVANT DODGE, of Kentucky. A large majority of this audience don't know what that resolution was. Let us hear it once.

Comrade J. D. BUDD, of Minnesota. We have been voting in the rear of this house time after time when we didn't know what we were voting for. We didn't even know what the motion was. I will guarantee that half of the people behind this gallery don't know what they voted for there the last vote. The vote was put in such a way that we did not know what we were voting for, neither did I hear what the speaker was talking about. I don't know what we were voting for, neither do I know what we are to vote for now. I don't know what the resolution is, and neither do the people back here.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to say for the information of the comrade that when you keep quiet we hear every word you say there.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. Commander in Chief, permit me just a suggestion. Here are a lot of vacant seats here. Why can't these comrades be brought forward here and fill the vacant seats?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Move up and fill up the seats. I have no objection. You don't have to stay away back there. Move up.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. I assume that the favored departments of Wisconsin, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, who have got intelligence enough to settle everything for this encampment, can hear what is going on. But there are some of us from Minnesota and Indiana and other smaller and unimportant departments that will be held responsible for what is done here, and we want to know what is going on. If you can not have somebody speak from the platform with voice enough to reach the outer edges we want the right to move up and sit alongside of Ohio, and Massachusetts, and New York, and Illinois so that we can hear something.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Ketcham, will you invite all those that did not hear me to come forward and fill these seats. I made the request before.

Comrade KETCHAM. We are invited to move up here by the favored delegates where we can hear.



(A number of delegates in the rear of the hall then moved up closer to the platform, filling the vacant seats.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, comrades, you are in close communion. I hope you will maintain it.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. Commander in Chief, it has been suggested that the matter under discussion be reread that all may hear. [Again reading the resolution]. By moral support we mean the vote of this body indorsing the movement. I move the adoption of the report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, are you ready for the question? Those in favor will say, aye. Contrary will say, no. The ayes have it.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. Another brief matter from the committee.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I am inclined to make a suggestion to the speaker. If every speaker from the stand will talk to the back rows, those between the back rows and the front will hear him. The difficulty has been that they talked to the front rows.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We can not instruct these gentlemen here.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. Commander in Chief and Comrades: They from time to time hear things in Washington that it would not always be advisable to publish here or elsewhere, but some of them have heard enough to feel that the following ought again to receive your indorsement. [Reading:]

Having noted with pleasure the eminently satisfactory manner in which Commissioner Saltzgaber has continued to conduct the Pension Bureau, the Grand Army of the Republic, in national encampment assembled, expresses the hope that he will continue in service at least to the end of his present term.

I move its adoption.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the motion. Are you ready for the question? Those in favor will say, aye. The contrary will say, no. It is so ordered.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. The committee to visit the Daughters of Veterans report that they have made such visitation in direction to your orders were splendidly received, and the greetings were received apparently with great approval.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Listen to the announcement now of your decision on the location of the next encampment.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Total number of votes cast 719, of which Colorado Springs receives 348, Atlantic City 371.

(NOTE.—It was afterwards discovered that an error had been made in addition and that 729 votes had been cast, of which Colorado Springs received 358 and Atlantic City 371.)

Comrade C. M. BILLS, of Colorado and Wyoming. Representing Colorado and Wyoming, I wish to thank those that remembered our little city and to say that we are not discouraged at the temporary defeat. We will go down with our colors flying and submit to the inevitable. I move you that the vote be declared unanimous.

Comrade ASA CURL, of Colorado and Wyoming. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those in favor will say, aye. It is unanimous. Atlantic City is the place of meeting for the Fifty-fourth Encampment.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Report of a committee. [Reading.]

COLUMBUS, OHIO, *September 11, 1919.*

Comrade ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: The undersigned committee appointed by the commander in chief to convey to the Sons of Veterans our "fraternal greetings" respectfully report:

That we attended to our duty and quoted to the Sons of Veterans the kindly words of our commander in chief as expressed by him in his inspiring address concerning their noble organization and had the pleasure of urging a closer affiliation and interest between our respective organizations.

To which Commander in Chief Callahan and Past Commander in Chief Bolton eloquently responded. Our reception was most cordial and gratifying.

J. D. HICKS, *Department of Pennsylvania,*

J. S. HOAGLAND, *Department of Nebraska,*

F. M. CLINE, *Department of Oklahoma,*

*Committee.*

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The report of the committee will be accepted unless there is objection.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. As chairman of the committee to visit the Woman's Relief Corps, I want to report that we were received with open arms, and that the ladies were very much pleased with the committee and were glad to have the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any other committees?

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. I wish to make an announcement that the committee on rules and regulations and on the service book will meet upon this platform immediately upon the adjournment of the encampment this afternoon. Any comrade who is interested in any of the matters that have been referred to that committee is requested to come to the platform upon the adjournment of the encampment.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. Will Past Commander in Chief Somers come within reach of my voice? Commander in Chief, at the Portland encampment a committee was appointed to procure a testimonial for the outgoing commander in chief. I was named on that committee and also chairman of the committee, and I have performed in behalf of the committee my duty and now report to you and to Comrade Somers jointly.

Comrade Somers, the glory of the Portland encampment has not yet faded from our memories, and those of us who were privileged to be present at that delightful reunion will never forget the lessons that nature taught us in the grandeur of her stately mountains, the fascination of her swiftly flowing streams, and the beauty of her gardens and fertile fields. None of us who witnessed the sunsets from the Columbia Highway in that delectable land can even faintly describe the grandeur and sublimity of the spectacle. My comrades, truly the heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth His handiwork.

But better than all we cherish with gratitude the cordial welcome and generous hospitality extended to us by the progressive, prosperous, and patriotic people of that typical American city and Commonwealth. The memories of their kindness will form a fitting afterglow to your administration.



Comrade Somers, as commander in chief of the Grand Army, as I have stated, the encampment by unanimous vote appointed a committee to present to you a testimonial of the affection and respect which the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic entertain for you and in attestation of your faithful service as commander in chief. This testimonial consists of silverware wrought into many useful and beautiful patterns, and when you return to your home you will find it on your table, provided your wife and daughters can find an extension leaf or two to suitably display it.

The present high cost of living may make it difficult for you to fill those dishes with luscious food such as your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic expect to receive when they visit your hospitable home. But regardless of your purse you have got to be a good sport and furnish the best edibles that the markets of the world afford, and also the best drinkables that the laws of the land will permit.

Comrade Somers, we hope that you will live long to enjoy this mark of affection and respect which the Grand Army of the Republic has sent to your home to welcome you on your return. [Applause.]

Past Commander in Chief ORLANDO A. SOMERS. Comrade Torrance, chairman of the committee, only less than the opportunity to serve the Grand Army of the Republic do I prize the service that has been presented to me by all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. There is nothing in my home, nor can be, of intrinsic value that I shall consider and hold in such high esteem as this which comes from you, my comrades.

I am reminded and believe that the year in which I had the good fortune to preside over the destinies of the Grand Army of the Republic was the most opportune year of all of its time. We had a great war on hand, and twice from ocean to ocean it was my good fortune not only to talk to the comrades but to talk to the people, and see if, on behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, we could not increase the spirit of patriotism. And I think that when the encampment decided to go to Portland it became veritably true what I had said to the department at Washington, if they would give us a rate of 1 cent, 10,000 Grand Army men would go from the Atlantic to the Pacific, singing their patriotic songs and making their patriotic speeches, and we would sweep bolshevism, and I. W. W.ism and anarchism into the Pacific Ocean. [Applause.]

I think we had a good effect on our western trip. I believe we served our country well on that.

Now, this testimonial that comes to me is something which I shall ever hold sacred, and when I look upon it I shall also look into the faces of my comrades. So many have become endeared to me, more than in a brotherhood, in a comradeship welded in the fires of battle and in a comradeship of 50 years in the Grand Army of the Republic. I can not give utterance to the feelings that are in my heart that would express my thought on this occasion.

I shall cherish this gift as the most valuable heritage that I have to transmit to those of my name and blood, and it shall ever be held sacred by them and be transmitted to the latest generation, and always be connected with the Grand Army of the Republic. It comes to me from the most dignified body of men that can assemble in America. [Applause.] It comes to me from men who fought in the greatest of all wars, in a war that freed a race and saved a union.

My heart is grateful, my lips are thankful, for your kindness. I have no further words to voice my feelings in this matter. God bless the givers of this gift. It shall ever be held sacred by me.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Here is a communication. [Reading:]

We, the undersigned comrades of this post (Seth Williams Post No. 13, Department of Maine), respectfully petition the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic that meets at Columbus, Ohio, September 9, 1919, that said encampment by resolution or otherwise petition the Congress of the United States or the Board of Managers of the National Soldiers' Homes that the veterans of the Civil War of 1861-1865, while inmates of the National Soldiers' Homes, be permitted to wear the Army blue uniform.

It is signed by 14 comrades.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, what will you do with the communication?

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move it be referred to the committee on resolutions.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so referred.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. Your committee on resolutions on the death of Past Chaplain in Chief J. Wynne Jones beg to report [reading:]

The Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic learns with sorrow of the sudden passing of Past Chaplain in Chief Rev. J. Wynne Jones, D. D., in the city of Baltimore, October 13, 1918, while in a street car.

Enlisted at the age of 16 years, in Company G, Twenty-third Wisconsin Regiment (Col. Vilas), he followed the fortunes of that splendid regiment in the Southwest throughout the war. At the close of the war Comrade Jones, after the usual course, graduated with high honors from Princeton University and later from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1876; two years later he was called to Baltimore, where he entered into a most successful ministerial career; being of Welsh birth he preached alternately in Welsh and English. The church building proving too small, Comrade Jones yearned for a wider field and a larger building. This desire coming to the knowledge of Mr. Horace Abbott, proprietor of a large iron rolling mill, who sent for Comrade Jones. After some little talk Mr. Abbott commissioned him to go ahead and build, which resulted in the erection of the beautiful Abbott Memorial Presbyterian Church in Highlandtown, a suburb of Baltimore city. Comrade Jones, with his aggressive enthusiasm, soon gathered around him a large and flourishing congregation, and was the very first minister in Baltimore to commence real social, community work, establishing a Working Men's Institute and Library and for nearly a half century went in and out among that large urban population, becoming the best known and loved clergyman, without regard to sect or creed, in that whole eastern section. He was the friend to everybody, always ready with counsel, always ready at any time, day or night, to visit the sick and minister to the dying. His death was a shock to the whole community.

The Department of Maryland has lost a valuable member, true in his comradeship, faithful in his attendance at post meetings, always at the command of his comrades for any duty; the portals of his church were always open to welcome the Grand Army for special services. Eloquent of tongue and commanding of voice, he stirred the hearts of his comrades to the highest pitch of enthusiasm. Comrade Jones was intensely interested in the World War; his two sons imbibing the militant spirit of the father, early volunteered their services, both of whom are overseas, holding important commissions—it was not given the father to see the end.

Comrade Jones, like the majority of our vanishing army, now stands in "Fame's eternal camping ground." For him

Taps have sounded.  
The lights are out.  
The soldier's at rest.

*Resolved*, That the sympathy of this encampment is hereby extended to his bereaved children.

JNO. R. KING.  
JOHN McELROY.



I move, Commander, the adoption of the resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those in favor will say "aye." Contrary "no." The ayes have it.

Comrade PHILIP A. NORDELL, of Massachusetts. Your committee appointed to visit the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary would report that they have performed their duty. The committee was most courteously and kindly received by the ladies in the adjoining building, and in return we wish to convey to you their assurance that while the Sons occupy a large place in their affection and esteem and service, the fathers of the Grand Army of the Republic occupy the first and largest place of all. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, there is a committee in waiting from the Spanish War Veterans that would like to come before you. Shall we admit them? [Cries of "Yes!"]

The chairman of the committee on resolutions, Comrade Gilman, requests that committee to meet with him at once away in the hall on the right as you go out. If you do not go now it looks as though they would not be able to hold a meeting to-night.

Comrade J. E. GANDY, of Washington and Alaska. The committee appointed to visit the Ladies of the G. A. R.—Comrade Rhoads is chairman—requests me to say to the comrades of this encampment that we visited the Ladies of the G. A. R., they received us hospitably and we were greeted kindly by them. They wish us to convey to you in return their kind greetings and love and affection to you as a Grand Army from them as our sisters, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have the thanks of this encampment.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as a delegation from the Spanish War Veterans, consisting of Otho Noble, department commander; George Walsh, department adjutant, Charles C. Cone and John Burr, all of Columbus, Ohio, was escorted to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, we have a delegation from that splendid organization of the Spanish War Veterans to wait upon us. I am going to request our comrade John B. Inman, who was also a member of that organization, to step into line. I present to you Commander Noble, who will address you.

Department Commander OTHO NOBLE, Ohio Spanish War Veterans. Commander in Chief and Comrades, it is not my intention to address you but to welcome you on behalf of the Department of Ohio. The local camp here has a proposition to put to you, and Comrade Cone, of Columbus Camp No. 49, United Spanish War Veterans, will explain our mission. This is Comrade Cone.

CHARLES C. CONE, of Columbus, Ohio. Commander in Chief and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: Now when I say the Grand Army of the Republic I mean it in all that the sense of the word implies as members of the greatest patriotic organization that has ever or ever will exist in the United States of America. [Applause.]

Now, comrades, with the exception of the War of the Revolution, the Civil War or the Great Rebellion struck more at the heart strings and the very life of our great Nation than all the other wars in which this United States has been engaged. And you as the citizen soldiery

of this United States went forth to put down that great rebellion, fought it to a successful close, and with the sword's keen point held fast every gleaming star in Old Glory's field of blue. [Applause.]

So far as deeds of heroism and valor are concerned there are none to compare with yours. The charge of the United States troops at San Juan Hill or the fighting in the forest of the Argonne in France, or at Chateau Thierry, pale into insignificance when compared with the immortal charge at Gettysburg, or those awful charges of Grant's troops at Cold Harbor, or the fight at Missionary Ridge or Lookout Mountain. And the march of Sherman to the sea makes the retreat of the 10,000, or Napoleon's retreat from Moscow, look like a holiday excursion. [Applause.]

Now, comrades, when I call you the Grand Army of the Republic, not only is that the name of your organization but it is the name that you have justly achieved by your deeds from 1861 to 1865—the Grand Army of the Republic—and I assure you that in the future life of this United States of America, a country that should be America for Americans only [applause], in the coming centuries the Grand Army of the Republic will be remembered, will be revered, will be praised, when the Spanish War Veterans or the veterans of the World War have faded from the memory of mankind and been forgotten. [Applause.]

Now, as a representative of the local camp of the United Spanish War Veterans, we have a proposition to lay before you. The honor is all ours. The idea is this: There is a paragraph in the regulations of the United Spanish War Veterans which allows us to take in as honorary members all patriotic citizens who have rendered distinguished service to their country, either in a civil or military capacity. Now, in our local camp we have several, quite a number of members of the Grand Army of the Republic who belong to the local posts of the G. A. R. We have talked this matter over with our own commander in chief and it has his approval. We have talked the matter over with your commander in chief and he wanted me to lay the proposition in front of you this afternoon.

Our idea is this, to take you all in as honorary members of the United Spanish War Veterans. [Applause.] Now we don't want to force this on you. It is optional with you. If you are willing to honor us by becoming honorary members of our organization it carries with it all the courtesies which a camp can give you, no payment of dues, and we will furnish you with a card showing that you have been received here as a member, an honorary member of the United Spanish War Veterans. If you are willing to accept this, we will station persons at the door with these cards. The name is left blank. Naturally we would not know who we were giving it to, you understand. But when you receive this card all you have to do is write in the name and then when you get back home, if there is a camp of United Spanish War Veterans there, you turn that card in there and you will become a member of the local camp. If there is no camp there you will be a member at large of the United Spanish War Veterans. It is up to you. We hope you will accept because it is a great honor to us. I thank you.

Comrade JOB INGRAM, of Oklahoma. As a Civil War veteran from an Indiana regiment, and as a Spanish War man holding the rank of captain during the Spanish war, I want to move the adoption of



this very generous offer on behalf of our comrades. I want us to get closer together.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, using my prerogative as commander in chief, I am going to issue a proclamation here, and that is that each member of this encampment that wishes to take on the civilities that have been offered you will please receive the card as you go out of the door. That is my wish; and I trust it will be the wish of all of you to do so.

I want to say a word to these splendid comrades. We appreciate the fact that your presence here has dignified us in our association. We appreciate the fact that you are lineal descendants, many of you, of the Grand Army of the Republic. We appreciate the fact that you have got such splendid men as Comrade Inman and the comrade that just spoke to you here last, both members of the Grand Army of the Republic, who served with you.

It seems as though at that period of history when you entered the service of this country that some wise God stepped in upon the situation and did what no other race of men or any other condition had done—united the forces of this country, Federal and Confederate, thank God, in fighting that war.

Take to your splendid organization our courteous sympathy and say that we are with you at all times and under all conditions; and by all means we want you to exercise your utmost influence, your endeavors, the mighty history you have made, everything connected with your order, to the one great theme that America is the country we live in. [Applause.]

Comrade SMITH STIMMEL, of North Dakota. I move that it is the sense of this encampment that we accept the proposition offered to us by the Spanish War Veterans.

Comrade WILFRED A. WEIHERBEE, of Massachusetts. It is not proper for this organization to take a vote when outsiders are present.

Comrade JOHN W. STEBBINS, of Virginia and North Carolina. Before those men go out, I want to say that the Spanish War Veterans of Norfolk, Va., made me an honorary member four years ago.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as the delegation retired.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What is your further pleasure, comrades? Any other committees to report?

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. The hour is not late, and I move a suspension of the rules and that we proceed at once to the nomination and election of a commander in chief.

Comrade SMITH STIMMEL, of North Dakota. I made a motion that we accept the proposition of the Spanish War Veterans.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It was the unanimous wish of this encampment that that be accepted. The motion of Comrade Coney is out of order.

Comrade CONEY. My motion was to suspend the rules and now proceed to the nomination and election of a commander in chief for the ensuing year.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. I would suggest that we set a special hour for the election of officers.

Comrade COS ALTENBERG, of Arkansas. I call for the regular order of business.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You can not set a special hour for the election.

Comrade CONEY. If there is any objection to it I would withdraw it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Motion withdrawn.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. I move you, sir, that we now adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I move that we now take a recess until 8 o'clock this evening and then proceed with the regular order of business, unless you desire to spend another day.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Our committees have their work to perform. We could do but little at the hour of 8 o'clock this evening, I fear, especially in the way of reports of those committees.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. Let's save a little time and a little on hotel bills. I make my motion, sir, that when we adjourn we take a recess until 8 o'clock this evening.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion.

Comrade JOHN CARMICHAEL, of Illinois. The motion was that we adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. I move you that when we do adjourn we adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Comrade J. H. NORTON, of Oklahoma. I move you as a substitute for the motion of the comrade from New York that when we adjourn, we adjourn until 9 o'clock in the morning.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Tanner made a motion that we take a recess until 8 o'clock this evening. Your motion was that when we do adjourn we adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, and the substitute is the same thing exactly.

Comrade CHARLES BURROWS, of New Jersey. Our rules and regulations do not allow any substitutes, and the substitute is not in order.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. It is a straight question between a recess until 8 o'clock and an adjournment until to-morrow morning at 9.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. I would like information as to any reason why we should adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock to-night, any business that we have to transact this evening or can transact. I am opposed to it.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. It is all right for him to be opposed to it, but if he can not understand the point after all his years experience in the Grand Army of the Republic that some of us want to get through and get away, I can not furnish him with brains sufficient to understand it.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. I insist that the remark is not worthy of the gentleman because it is so everlastingly old and he has used it so many times. He ought certainly to get something better.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. It is now 24 minutes of 5. We will have an hour and 20 minutes until 6 o'clock. If we meet at 8 o'clock we will be within 20 minutes of 10 and have no more time than we have from now until 6. I would suggest, if the gentleman from New York and others who want an evening session to transact important business, that they continue this session now until 6 o'clock and do it here.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Tanner, just a moment. Comrade Beers's motion was to adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. I am offering this as a substitute.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Beers made the first motion.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I desire to give my opinion that we can proceed at this hour and largely complete our business by 6 o'clock. We can elect the officers of this encampment by 6 o'clock.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I must insist that Comrade Beers's motion is before the house. Comrade Beers will state his motion.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. My motion was that we now adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is upon the motion. Comrade Beers is entitled to explain it.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. Comrade Tanner's motion was an amendment to my motion, that we take a recess until 8 o'clock this evening, and the question properly before the house is Comrade Tanner's amendment to the motion. Now, on that I wish to speak because you are all reasonable and you don't expect to be unreasonable.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. I rise to a point of order.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Beers has the floor just at present.

Comrade ZIMMERMAN. It is on that question.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. May I ask the commander in chief this question? Is a motion to adjourn to a specific hour debatable?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is positively debatable.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. What?

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. It is debatable. I desire to say this, you have still important business to transact. The report or address of your commander in chief is in the hands of the committee appointed by him to consider and report back to this encampment. It came into their hands this forenoon. They have been in the encampment attending to their business here in the encampment the same as you have been. It is impossible for them to consider the important questions that are raised by the recommendations of the commander in chief and give you a report at 8 o'clock this evening.

In addition to that the committee on rules and regulations which has before it propositions for the amendment of the rules and regulations, and also of the service book, also have that work in their hands. They cannot prepare their report in time for your meeting this evening; and those two things are all that you have left in the way of business and to adjourn to 8 o'clock is simply to adjourn and come here without these reports being prepared and then to come again to-morrow morning.

There will be no money saved by coming here at 8 o'clock to-night, because if you do you will stay here until 1 or 2 o'clock to-morrow morning and you will have to pay your hotel bill just the same as though you went home to-morrow afternoon.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. You say that there are two matters that are before this encampment, and that they are the only two. Isn't it true that the committee on resolutions has to meet, inquire, report, and have their action passed upon, in addition to the two that you speak of?

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. I would say that Comrade Ketcham is right, and that that committee has gone in session and they probably will not get through by 8 o'clock. I purposely left that committee out because I was not connected with it, and so that Comrade Ketcham might have the honor of placing that objection before this encampment.

Comrade KETCHAM. Owing to the extreme modesty of Past Commander in Chief Beers I want to make just one suggestion and that is that we have come here, some of us Sunday, some of us Monday, and we have expended—not wasted, of course—Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday before we reached that which we came here to do; and I think it would be an exceedingly discreditable thing to do for these delegates that have come here and spent Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, because they get a little bit tired Thursday afternoon to undertake to crowd through without sufficient consideration the duties that we have come here as representatives to perform. I hope that this encampment in its wisdom will stand by their guns until they have performed their duty that they have been sent here to perform. [Cries of "Question!"]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the question is on the motion of Comrade Tanner to amend the motion of Comrade Beers and to make the meeting at 8 o'clock this evening.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. There was a substitute to that motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There is no substitute to be made to it.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. Then I move that the amendment be laid on the table.

(The motion was seconded by a number of comrades.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion to lay the amendment on the table. Those in favor will say "aye." Contrary will say "no." The ayes have it. The question is upon the motion to adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Those in favor will say "aye." Contrary will say, "no." We stand adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. (4.45 p. m.)

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#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1919—MORNING SESSION.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF (9.17 a. m.). Comrades, we have re-assembled for the further transaction of our business. There are some announcements to be made.

(The adjutant general read a list of telegrams on his desk addressed to various comrades.)

Comrade CHARLES BURROWS, of New Jersey. There is so much noise back here that we can not hear.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That was an appeal from a comrade that certainly rests kindly in the hearts of all of you. That was Comrade Burrows that asked that you be quiet. I have asked you



to do it, and I trust that you will honor this encampment by keeping silent while we are transacting business. Just remember that a little disturbance here and a little there disrupts the entire encampment. Some of these men have come thousands of miles to transact this business. Now, then, do us the honor, please, to attend to business and not to conversation.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL (reading):

COMMANDER, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, *Columbus, Ohio.*

Due to serious disturbance in West Virginia coal fields General Wood is staying at headquarters and regrets he will be unable to review the parade in Columbus and attend encampment.

O. C. Wood, *Aide-de-Camp.*

Here is a communication sent up by some one, I don't know who:

Mrs. Anna Babbitt, widow of a soldier, had her money and ticket stolen. W. R. C. are endeavoring to assist her and we feel that we should help them too. A little collection from the comrades will be appreciated.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If somebody who is interested in this matter will take charge of it and get up a collection.

Comrade EDWIN FARLEY, of Kentucky. Referring to the telegram stating that some lady or wife of a soldier had lost her ticket and suggesting that we help a little, lest we forget this thing I suggest that we right now contribute a little, and I want to put in a half a dollar. Let's do it right now while we think of it or we will forget it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Just take your hat pass it around and collect it.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Have a number of comrades come down.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, it is suggested that we take up a little collection to relieve these matters of want. I believe you will all contribute. Will somebody just volunteer to pass the hat down along the line.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. While you are doing that here is a notice that the Capitol Motor Club will serve lunch and give an auto ride immediately after this meeting. It don't say when nor where but presumably on the Capitol grounds. "F. H. Hertel, Manager."

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The committee on commander's address is ready to report.

(Past Commander in Chief Ell Torrance was called to the chair.)

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS (reading):

*To the Officers and Representatives of the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.*

Your committee appointed on the address of the commander in chief respectfully report that we have carefully examined the same, and report upon the recommendations therein contained, as follows:

In the matter of the recommendations contained in the address of the commander in chief, your committee report as follows:

As to the recommendation relative to the unlawful use of the name of the "Grand Army of the Republic" and "G. A. R.", your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

"Resolved, That all future administrations of the order are requested to take prompt and energetic action to preserve the sole and exclusive use of the name 'Grand Army of the Republic' and the words 'G. A. R.' by this organization, by such means as may seem necessary."

And the committee recommend the adoption of this resolution.

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. I move you that where there be no objection to the report of the committee on resolutions, that they be passed as approved, and that at the end of the report that we approve the entire report of the committee.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. This is not the report of the committee on resolutions.

Comrade SAMUEL P. TOWN, of Pennsylvania. I move the adoption of the resolution.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE (in the chair). The first resolution presented by the chairman of the committee on commander's address is now before you for action. It has been moved and seconded that it be adopted. Are you ready for the question? All in favor will vote, aye. Contrary, no. It is adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS (reading):

As to the recommendation that steps be taken to incorporate our organization, your committee report that it appears to them perfectly feasible and perfectly simple to incorporate our organization in such a manner that the rights, powers, and privileges of every member of the order will be as fully protected as they now are by our present system of voluntary organization, the safety of its funds, property, and name more adequately protected, and its right to receive bequests, gifts, and devises by wills of persons placed beyond a question of doubt under the laws of any and every State; they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*“Resolved, that the commander in chief appoint a committee of three comrades to prepare a suitable act or form of incorporation of the organization and report the same to the next encampment for its action.”*

The committee move the acceptance and adoption of the resolution.

Comrade M. W. WOOD, of Idaho. I move you that one member of the Grand Army of the Republic from each State be named as one of the incorporators.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. There seems to be no second to the motion. All in favor of the adoption of the report will say aye. Opposed no. It is carried.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS (reading):

As to the recommendation that proper resolutions be drawn and a committee be appointed looking toward the formation of a patriotic federation of all the soldiers' organizations of all wars, your committee favor the recommendation, provided that such federation will fully preserve the integrity of our organization and the qualifications for membership in the Grand Army of the Republic as the same now exist, and does not mean a consolidation of all patriotic societies into one body by which the Grand Army of the Republic would lose its distinction as an organization of soldiers, sailors, and marines of the War of the Rebellion who saved the Union, or its highly honorable distinction as a patriotic society by its more than 50 years of service in time of peace in the upbuilding of patriotism and loyalty in the hearts of our people.

We realize that however desirable it may be to form such a federation that every step should be carefully considered and the entire plan laid before this organization for its approval before the decisive step is taken, and as that is impossible at this encampment owing to the limited time at its disposal for consideration of the matter,

We recommend that a committee of five be appointed by the incoming commander in chief, of which Clarendon E. Adams shall be chairman, to consider this subject and report upon the same at the next encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The committee recommend the adoption of the resolution.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. All in favor of the adoption of the resolution will say aye. Contrary no. Carried.

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. We ought to have a rising vote on that.



Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. The vote has been taken. Proceed with your report.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS (reading):

As to all other matters contained in said report, your committee recommend the approval of the same, and we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*"Resolved*, that the thanks of this encampment are due and are hereby tendered to Comrade Clarendon E. Adams, commander in chief, for the very active and patriotic service he has given to this order during his term of office, for his able and lucid report of his activities, for the spirit of patriotism which pervades it, for the faithful and honorable service he has rendered to our common country during his occupancy of office, for his services in the upbuilding of our order, for the love of our country and its flag he has aroused all over our land by his most eloquent addresses, and for the added honor and dignity he has brought to our organization; for all these acts and efforts his memory will ever be enshrined in the hearts of his comrades."

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ALFRED B. BEERS,  
S. R. VAN SANT,  
D. J. PALMER,  
*Committee.*

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I move the adoption of the report of the committee.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. Moved and seconded that this report and resolution be adopted. All in favor of its adoption will rise. It is unanimously adopted.

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You will now listen to the report of the committee on rules and regulations.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS (reading):

*To the Officers and Representatives of the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic:*

Your committee to whom was referred the amendment to the rules and regulations providing for a roll of comrades at large to be composed of disbanded posts, proposed by the Department of Missouri, respectfully report that the proposed amendment would make such a radical change in our rules and regulations, and require such other changes in the same that it is not deemed desirable to act upon the same at this encampment, but that further time should be given for its consideration. They therefore recommend that its consideration be postponed to the next annual encampment and that the amendment be again printed in the order fixing the date of such encampment.

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I move the adoption of the report of the committee.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, comrades. Those in favor will say aye. Contrary will say no. It is adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. The committee further report that there was referred to them various changes in the burial service of our order providing for changes in words by the insertion of words and by the insertion of entire paragraphs changing the burial service. The committee report as follows [reading]:

Your committee to whom was referred the annexed changes in the burial service of our order, respectfully report that they have considered the same, that in their judgment no such change should be made in the burial service, and that the changes proposed do not warrant the expense of reprinting of the service book which would be necessary if they were adopted.

And they recommend that they be rejected.

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I move that the report of the committee be accepted.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any remarks? Those in favor will say "aye". Those opposed will say "no". The ayes have it.

Comrade THEODORE W. B. BRAKE, of Florida. It seems to me that this encampment has no idea of what those changes that were proposed are.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chairman of the committee has the floor. He is using his voice to good advantage. I shall have to sustain him and ask him to proceed. Thank you.

Comrade BRAKE. We ought to know what we are voting on.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If you don't hear him here is a vacant seat.

Comrade BRAKE. I can hear all right enough, but he did not state what they are.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Listen to the resolution. Don't take up time in superfluous matter.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS (reading):

Your committee, to whom was referred a recommendation of George H. Thomas Post No. 17, Department of Indiana, indorsing a change in the ritual in the closing of the post, by inserting in the answer of the senior vice commander "One country and one flag" the words "one language" after the words "One country," so that the answer will read "One country, one language, and one flag," recommend that no change be made.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

ALFRED B. BEERS,  
F. H. HURD,  
J. M. VERNON,  
LEO RASSIEUR,  
W. A. KETCHAM,  
*Committee.*

In the opinion of the committee, in which perhaps you may not concur, it was not deemed advisable to make any change in our ritual, which has been preserved practically unimpaired for the last 50 and more years. [Applause.] We thought we had better stand by the old landmarks and leave things as they are, as they have answered all our purposes for the last 50 years.

Comrade C. H. WILLIAM RUHE, of Pennsylvania. I move the adoption of the report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those in favor will say, "aye". Contrary, "no". The ayes have it.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. Now, comrades, I move the adoption of the report of the committee on commander's address and the resolutions accompanying the same as a whole.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, comrades, and it has been seconded. Those in favor will say "aye". Contrary, "no". It is carried.

Chief of Staff GEORGE A. HOSLEY. Comrades, the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Nebraska in their appreciation of the great help and assistance rendered them by Commander in Chief Adams came in a delegation here to the door and extended their greetings. Owing to you being in session here and business on hand of importance, I would not admit them. So, they finally gave me this bouquet, Commander in Chief Adams, to present to you with their compliments.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Please return my thanks and compliments. They are the best women of America. Now we will listen to the report of the committee on resolutions. Comrade Gilman is chairman.

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. Permit me to make the motion that I made wrongfully when the other report was being made. Now I move you that as the chairman of the committee on resolutions reports to this encampment let it be understood that where there be no objections that the report is adopted as read. Then at the close of the report in whole that we adopt the entire report. It will save time.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, unless objected to, that will be the rule of this encampment. It is proper.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN E. GILMAN. Commander in chief, this is a resolution from the Department of Tennessee recommending that two past department commanders be reinstated. The committee on resolutions recommend that it be referred to the committee on rules and regulations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so referred.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. Former occupants of the Soldiers' Home in Hampton request that they be returned to the home. The committee on resolutions recommend its adoption.

Comrade W. H. HARRIES, of Minnesota. I don't know as I fully understand that proposition. I understand that the Hampton Home was closed and the men there were transferred to other homes. The Government gave out that it was for the interests of the Government and also to provide a place for those who came from abroad, from France. Now, I would like to hear from the chairman of the committee on resolutions some reason for that, because there are some 10 other homes and some of them are not very well filled. There is ample room in other homes, and the Government deemed that wise under all the circumstances, to change that home and place those who were in there at other places. I think they are very favorably situated, so far as I know, and unless there is some good reason for it I think perhaps we ought not to adopt that resolution. There are some things we can adopt that would have a great deal of influence, and it ought not, perhaps, be adopted unless there are some good grounds for it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chairman has yielded to you. I believe he understands you and he will proceed.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. The fact of the matter is this, that during the war the Hampton Home was taken for the exclusive use of the wounded and sick soldiers. Now the war is over. There are only about 32 members in the home. Those who were in the home before, the Civil War veterans, wish to return and be held nearer their own homes. And the committee on resolutions believe it is practicable for the Government to use the Hampton Home as it has been used and if they want homes for the soldiers of the last war, to distribute them among the different homes according to the locality in which they resided.

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of the Potomac. I will ask if there was not a definite promise at the time these comrades were transferred that at the time the war was over they would be returned to the Hampton Soldiers' Home?

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. That was the understanding.

Comrade McELROY. It was my understanding at the time this was done that as soon as the war was over that they should be returned to their home.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The resolution is adopted.  
(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas the Army and Navy Journal, in its issue of July 19, 1919, publishes a statement from the Surgeon General's Office, which shows only 37 per cent of the available hospital space is occupied by the soldiers of the late war; and

Whereas there are now more than a thousand veterans of the Civil and other wars, the average age of the former being more than 75 years, who are anxiously awaiting the time for their return to their home, the Southern Branch, located near Hampton, Va., in accordance with the promise of the Secretary of War in letter of July 14, 1917, and the law of October 4, 1918; and

Whereas the old veterans, formerly members of that branch, who had lived there many years and had become acclimated to its balmy climate, view with dread and horror the passing of another winter in the North, feeling sure that many of their number will succumb thereto; and

Whereas the Grand Army of the Republic of the States of Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Ohio have already adopted resolutions requesting an early return of the veterans to their home; and

Whereas many of the soldiers of this late war are now flocking to the soldiers' homes, making imperative an early retransfer of the Southern Branch to the Board of Managers: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Grand Army of the Republic in national encampment assembled indorse the appeal of the veterans aforesaid to the President of the United States, with a request that the matter be given his earnest consideration, and with a prayer, as a matter of justice and humanity, that the time of the retransfer be advanced to a date to permit accomplishment before the setting in of cold weather.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. If a soldier is buried in a family lot with a family headstone, the question came up as to whether the Government should provide the Government headstone. This is a matter for national legislation, and the committee recommends that it be referred to the committee on legislation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so referred.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution from Iowa protesting against a bill providing for the drafting of young men into the Regular Army. The committee recommends that it be laid on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so ordered unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This resolution indorses the giving to all soldiers, sailors, and marines of the last war six months' pay. The committee recommends that it be referred to the committee on legislation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This resolution refers to a supposed proposition to pay the Confederate bonds by the Government. The committee on resolutions decided that it was out of order and not in keeping with the rules and regulations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The committee will be sustained unless there is objection.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution recommending pensions for short-term service men. The committee recommends that it be referred to the committee on pensions.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so done unless objected to.



Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution extending the thanks of the encampment to the President of the United States for permitting Government employees to attend the national encampment. The committee recommends its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so done unless objected to.  
(Following is the resolution:)

*Resolved*, That a vote of thanks be extended to Hon. Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, for granting a leave of absence to the Civil War veterans in the Government employ with pay to attend this encampment.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution recommending the continuance of 1 cent fare on the railroads so long as the Grand Army of the Republic survives. [Applause.] The committee recommends that for reasons most all of you know that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done with your compliments. I see it is in your disposition.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution providing that if a widow drawing a pension marries a veteran who also draws a pension, that the pension shall be continued to both. [Laughter.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Order in the court.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. The committee recommends that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection it will be so done.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution asking for \$50 a month pension. The committee recommends it be referred to the pension committee, where it belongs.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution asking the Government to furnish granite headstones instead of marble headstones as has been done, for the reason that the marble goes to pieces and the granite will endure. The committee recommends its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The committee will be sustained unless there is objection.

(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas, the fifty-third annual encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, assembled at Columbus, Ohio, September 11 and 12, 1919, recognizes the importance of marking the last resting places of the Federal soldiers and sailors who participated in our country's wars with a suitable marker or headstone that will be as permanent and lasting as the memory of those heroes who made the supreme sacrifice in order to establish and preserve this Nation, and

Whereas, the markers or headstones that the Government is now furnishing are made of marble, and they soon crumble and disintegrate, and we believe they should be made of granite, as the same will resist the weather, and be more durable and lasting: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, that these resolutions be sent to the Hon. Mr. Baker, Secretary of War, and a copy of the same be spread upon the minutes of the encampment, with a request that hereafter the markers or headstones be made of granite instead of marble, for the reasons herein set forth.

## REPLY.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL OF THE ARMY.  
*Washington, October 22, 1919.*

No. 293. 71-Cemeterial.

From: Office, Quartermaster General of the Army.

To: Mr. Albert M. Trimble, Past Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lincoln, Nebr.

Subject: Change in material for headstones.

1. Your communication of the 18th instant to the Secretary of War, transmitting copy of resolution passed by the fifty-third encampment of the G. A. R., at Columbus, Ohio, on the subject of a change in the headstones for marking soldiers' graves, has been referred to this office for action.

2. In reply you are informed that the headstones now furnished by the United States Government are of best American white marble, 39 inches long, 12 inches wide, and 4 inches thick, the top slightly rounded, and the portion of the stone which is above ground when set is sand-rubbed; each headstone is inscribed with the name, rank (if above private), company, and State regiment, or other organization, to which the deceased belonged, cut in relief, within a sunken shield. Attention is invited to the full description of the headstone on the back of the inclosed blank. Headstones of this type have been furnished for 378,000 soldiers, sailors, and marines buried in the various national cemeteries throughout the United States, as indicated on the list of national cemeteries inclosed herewith. In addition to the furnishing of headstones of the standard design in the national cemeteries mentioned, they have been furnished for graves of soldiers, sailors, and marines buried in private cemeteries throughout the United States since March 3, 1879. Since 1902, 236,479 of these headstones were furnished under contract made annually at prices ranging from \$1.80 in 1902, to \$3.99 in 1919, contract being made with the privilege of reduction or increase in number required for the year. The headstones have been shipped to city, town, and village cemeteries in all parts of the United States. The contract for the present fiscal year calls for 13,000 headstones at \$6.67 each.

The style of headstone now used was adopted by the War Department as being most appropriate and satisfactory after many years' experience, as above shown. A survey made in 1917 to ascertain the condition of the marble in the headstones in national cemeteries disclosed the fact that no signs of disintegration were found to exist in any of these headstones and the inscriptions thereon were perfectly distinct and could be easily read from a considerable distance. A recent inspection of headstones erected 40 years ago in the Arlington National Cemetery shows that the headstones were in good condition and the inscriptions could also be read at considerable distance. It should be noted that the inscriptions on the headstones furnished by the Government are on the front face of the stone, facing the grave, and not on the top, as suggested for the marker approved by the committee of cemetery superintendents, which would make it necessary to stand directly over a headstone to read the inscription thereon. The superintendents of the various national cemeteries located in different parts of the United States as shown on the attached list, should be in a position to know of the lasting quality of the marble furnished.

4. This office has a list of 14 cemeteries in the United States which do not permit the erection of the Government headstones, some because they are Quaker cemeteries and require a flat stone to be laid on the ground, others like Forest Hill Cemetery, Kansas City, Mo., which require the use of granite in all monuments, some because they prefer all monuments to be of a certain height to conform to the regulations of the particular cemetery.

5. This office has been advised that a granite headstone of the dimensions given by the committee of cemetery superintendents in its suggestion made heretofore would cost approximately \$80 if supplied in lots of 10,000. As the appropriation for supplying 13,000 headstones for the fiscal year 1920 is only \$100,000, it will be observed that a million dollars would be required to furnish the same number of granite. Due to the number of men of the present war who will be entitled to these headstones in the future by reason of burial in national and private cemeteries, this sum would undoubtedly increase from year to year.

6. In view of the foregoing, I am convinced that the headstones now furnished by the Government to mark the graves of soldiers are of durable stone, as required by law, that they are of appropriate design, and when set, present a pleasing appearance, and no reason is known in the interest of the service why any change should be made in material from marble to granite, even if the increased cost of the latter was not prohibitive.

H. L. ROGERS,  
*Quartermaster General of the Army.*  
By H. R. LEMLY,  
*Major, Quartermaster Corps, Chief of Cemeterial Branch.*



WAR DEPARTMENT.  
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.  
Washington, D. C., July 1, 1919.

*List of national cemeteries authorized by act of Congress of July 17, 1862, and subsequent acts, showing the area of and number of interments in each June 30, 1919.*

Name of cemetery.	Area in acres.		Interments.		
	Total.	Inclosed.	Known.	Un-known.	Total.
Alexandria (Pineville) La.....	8.24	8.24	2,218	2,380	4,598
Alexandria, Va.....	5.50	5.50	3,445	124	3,569
Andersonville, Ga.....	120	25	12,697	1,040	13,737
Andrew Johnson, Tenn.....	15	15	22	.....	22
Annapolis, Md.....	4.125	4.125	2,345	206	2,551
Antietam (Sharpsburg), Md.....	11	9.50	2,935	1,848	4,783
Arlington (Ft. Myer), Va.....	408.03	408.03	21,505	4,711	26,216
Balls Bluff (Leesburg), Va.....	.0057	.0057	1	24	25
Barrancas, Fla.....	8.56	7.10	937	741	1,678
Baton Rouge, La.....	7.50	7.50	2,647	536	3,183
Battle Ground (Takoma Park Station), D. C.....	1.033	1.033	44	.....	44
Beaufort, S. C.....	29	29	4,930	4,598	9,528
Beverly, N. J.....	1	1	230	7	237
Camp Butler (Springfield), Ill.....	6.02	6.02	1,434	166	1,600
Camp Nelson, Ky.....	9.50	8.25	2,419	1,245	3,664
Cave Hill (Louisville), Ky.....	4.29	4.29	4,365	593	4,958
Chalmette (Arabi), La.....	16	13.60	7,438	5,746	13,184
Chattanooga, Tenn.....	129.53	75	8,868	5,058	13,926
City Point, Va.....	7.49	6.60	3,772	1,426	5,198
Cold Harbor (Richmond), Va.....	1.75	1.75	632	1,338	1,970
Corinth, Miss.....	20	18.33	1,744	3,995	5,739
Crown Hill (Indianapolis), Ind.....	1.37	1.37	816	37	853
Culpepper, Va.....	6	6	463	912	1,375
Custer Battlefield (Crow Agency), Mont.....	640	6.91	1,332	274	1,606
Cypress Hills (Brooklyn), N. Y.....	18.14	18.14	7,961	384	8,345
Danville, Ky.....	.31	.31	353	9	362
Danville, Va.....	3.50	3.17	1,172	159	1,331
Fayetteville, Ark.....	6.63	6	521	810	1,331
Finns Point (Salem), N. J.....	2.50	2.50	2,608	30	2,638
Florence, S. C.....	3.76	3.73	213	2,802	3,015
Fort Donelson (Dover), Tenn.....	15.34	5	165	512	677
Fort Gibson, Okla.....	6.90	5.70	288	2,208	2,496
Fort Harrison (Richmond), Va.....	1.55	1.55	236	582	818
Fort Leavenworth, Kans.....	15	15	2,570	1,583	4,153
Fort McPherson (Brady), Nebr.....	107	4.50	505	362	867
Fort Scott, Kan.....	10.26	10.26	737	126	863
Fort Smith, Ark.....	14.74	9	968	1,466	2,434
Fredericksburg, Va.....	12.005	12.005	2,455	12,738	15,193
Gettysburg, Pa.....	14.87	14.87	2,061	1,639	3,700
Glendale, Va.....	2.12	2	240	960	1,200
Grafton, W. Va.....	3.40	3.40	630	650	1,280
Hampton, Va.....	19.611	19.611	11,330	634	11,964
Jefferson Barracks, Mo.....	50	20.50	9,867	3,015	12,882
Jefferson City, Mo.....	2	2	408	446	854
Keokuk, Iowa.....	2.75	2.75	881	45	926
Knoxville, Tenn.....	9.83	9.83	2,446	1,163	3,609
Lebanon, Ky.....	2.50	2.38	602	277	879
Lexington, Ky.....	.75	.75	1,046	106	1,152
Little Rock, Ark.....	23.12	23.12	4,017	3,038	7,055
Loudon Park (Baltimore), Md.....	3.69	3.69	3,858	348	4,206

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Name of cemetery.	Area in acres.		Interments.		
	Total.	Inclosed.	Known.	Unknown.	Total.
Marietta, Ga.....	24	21.05	7,379	3,094	10,473
Memphis, Tenn.....	43.91	37	5,676	8,864	14,540
Mexico City, Mexico.....	2	2	804	751	1,555
Mill Springs (Somerset), Ky.....	3.50	1.75	320	410	730
Mobile, Ala.....	2.68	2.68	918	239	1,157
Mound City, Ill.....	10.50	8	2,704	2,759	5,463
Nashville (Madison) Tenn.....	65	60.60	12,673	4,121	16,794
Natchez, Miss.....	11.07	11.07	702	2,786	3,488
New Albany, Ind.....	5.46	5.46	2,467	732	3,199
Newbern, N. C.....	7.69	7.69	2,301	1,110	3,411
Philadelphia (Pittsville Station), Pa.....	13.26	13.26	3,574	40	3,614
Poplar Grove (Petersburg), Va.....	8.65	8.65	2,157	4,069	6,226
Port Hudson, La.....	8	8	614	3,240	3,854
Quincy, Ill.....	.459	.459	261	57	318
Raleigh, N. C.....	7.83	6.90	672	550	1,222
Richmond, Va.....	9.74	9.74	915	5,678	6,593
Rock Island, Ill.....	1	1	382	45	427
Salisbury, N. C.....	6	6	126	12,035	12,161
San Antonio, Tex.....	3.63	3.63	1,954	318	2,272
San Francisco (Presidio Station), Calif.....	9.5	9.5	7,490	472	7,962
Santa Fe, N. M.....	9.44	9.35	669	455	1,124
Seven Pines (Richmond), Va.....	1.55	1.47	162	1,238	1,400
Shiloh (Pittsburg Landing), Tenn....	10.05	9	1,217	2,405	3,622
Soldiers Home, D. C.....	16	16	7,781	291	8,072
Springfield, Mo.....	11	10.90	1,258	1,247	2,505
St. Augustine, Fla.....	1.33	1.33	253	1,553	1,806
Staunton, Va.....	1.15	1.15	230	536	766
Stone River (Murfreesboro), Tenn....	20.10	18.455	3,602	2,547	6,149
Vicksburg, Miss.....	40	34.50	4,234	12,910	17,144
Wilmington, N. C.....	5	4.50	789	1,609	2,398
Winchester, Va.....	4.89	4.89	2,115	2,435	4,550
Woodlawn (Elmira), N. Y.....	2.36	2.36	3,268	20	3,288
Yorktown, Va.....	3	3	756	1,446	2,202
Total.....			225,800	153,159	378,959

Of these interments about 10,700 are those of Confederates, being mainly in the national cemeteries at Arlington, Camp Butler, City Point, Cypress Hills, Finns Point, Fort Smith, Hampton, Jefferson Barracks, Little Rock, Philadelphia, Springfield, and Woodlawn.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution from the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic asking to be recognized. The committee recommends its reference to the incoming administration.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is an application for a soldiers' home at St. Cloud, Fla. The committee recommends its reference to the committee on legislation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.



Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution from two posts in Maine asking that the members of the home in which they are, which we don't know what the home is, be permitted to wear the blue uniform. The committee recommends that it be referred to the Department of Maine.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. Here is a proposition from the World War Veterans proposing that the Grand Army of the Republic, the Spanish War Veterans, the World War Veterans, and all other veterans be consolidated into one order. [Cries of "No!"] The committee recommends its reference to the committee on rules and regulations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Comrade E. C. STAHL, of New Jersey. I don't want to hear any such motion made referring it to a committee. The Grand Army of the Republic will stand, live, and die together independently of anybody else.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution asking the Government to repair and maintain the sloop of war *Niagara*, the flagship of Commodore Perry at the battle of Lake Erie. The committee recommends its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any objection, comrades? It is adopted.

(Following is the resolution:)

*Resolved*, That the Grand Army of the Republic, in national encampment assembled, indorse H. R. 6862 (Shreve), for the repair, preservation, care, and future maintenance of the restored historical naval brig *Niagara*, Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry's flagship in the battle of Lake Erie, September 10, 1813, and authorize local post to write letters or send petitions to Congress through their Senators and Congressmen, urging the immediate passage of this bill.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. Another resolution recommending \$50 pension. The committee recommends that it be referred to the pension committee.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so referred unless there is objection.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution recommending the purchase of War Savings Stamps. The committee recommends its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas, the War Saving Stamp campaign of the United States Treasury Department typifies in the best form the object to be obtained by the people of our country, namely, to make accumulation easy and widespread and in small amounts; Therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Grand Army of the Republic in national encampment assembled at Columbus, Ohio*, That the efforts of the Government in this respect should be and are hereby indorsed, and be it

*Further resolved*, That the desire of the Treasury Department to continue the issue of these securities permanently is heartily recommended in the interests of all the people.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. A resolution that the Grand Army of the Republic shall officially live so long as one comrade remains on earth. The committee recommends its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so adopted, and I trust that you will all be that comrade.

(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas, for over 50 years the Grand Army of the Republic has been recognized in this country as the embodiment of patriotism, unselfish comradeship, and the living tie which binds this nation with the immortal Lincoln, and

Whereas, a mistaken sentiment of liberality has dared to suggest that the G. A. R. be amalgamated, absorbed, submerged, and henceforth lose its proud position in the world and become a mere memory: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That so long as a Grand Army Post exists in this country it shall continue to exemplify the principles of fraternity, charity, and loyalty, decorate the graves of our fallen comrades on Memorial Day, and refuse to be buried before it is dead.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. A petition recommending the erection of a monument to Admiral Farragut in New York City. There is one there already, as you know. The committee recommends it be laid on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. A petition requesting that no comrade shall be elected to office from one county if he belongs to a post in another county.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. If the comrade lives in Broome County and the post he belongs to is in Essex he can't have any office in the department encampment.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. The committee recommends its reference to the committee on rules and regulations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Hearing no objection, it will be so ordered.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. A resolution urging the Committee on Invalid Pensions in Congress to make a report on a certain bill. The committee recommends its reference to the committee on pensions.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution asking the encampment to recommend that Congress make an appropriation to be added to the balance already on hand for the erection of a memorial archway at Vicksburg at the national park.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any objections? It will be so ordered.

(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas by act of Congress approved September 8, 1916, the sum of \$150,000 was appropriated for the proposed National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee of the Union and Confederate Civil War Veterans in the Vicksburg National Military Park, in October, 1917, under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of War for preparation and maintenance of a suitable camp and supplies for the sustenance and comfort of the attending veterans; and

Whereas this reunion was most successfully accomplished to the full satisfaction of the veterans, and after its fulfillment and liquidation of the attendant expenses authorized by the act there remained of the \$150,000 appropriation an unexpended surplus of about \$35,000; and

Whereas it was strongly urged by the attending veterans and the National Association of Vicksburg Veterans that by congressional resolution or legislation the remaining unexpended money be applied to the erection of a memorial archway at the entrance to the Vicksburg National Military Park not only as a memorial to those who died in battle here but particularly to mark the complete reconciliation of their comrades at this reunion 50 years later; and

Whereas, by act of Congress approved July 11, 1919, the sum of \$32,000 of the said unexpended surplus fund was appropriated for erection of the proposed memorial archway at Vicksburg National Military Park, under direction and supervision of the Secretary of War, and authorized the Vicksburg Memorial Arch Commission to secure and employ the architects and sculptors for the erection of the same and make contracts therefor not to exceed the available amount of this appropriation; and



Whereas the great increase in cost of labor and materials to meet the usual tests and requirements by the War Department makes this said appropriation inadequate for the construction of a monumental memorial archway commensurate with the historical events to be thereby commemorated; and

Whereas a memorial of this character becomes a national monument and as such must rank with national artistic and architectural distinction to command a universal approval and dignity rather than an unsatisfactory makeshift open to public criticism: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the United States Congress be and is hereby respectfully and most earnestly urged to grant a supplemental appropriation of a sum not exceeding \$50,000 to be added to the \$32,000 unexpended surplus fund reappropriated by act of Congress approved July 11, 1919, for the erection and completion of the proposed national memorial archway at Vicksburg National Military Park upon such plans and specifications as shall be approved by the Secretary of War and the Vicksburg Memorial Arch Commission.

*Resolved*, That the adjutant general of the Grand Army of the Republic is hereby requested to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, United States Congress, and to the Secretary of War.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution asking that no Confederate flag be displayed. The committee recommends that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. A resolution proposing that all moneys contributed for the South for Memorial Day be sent to the department commanders, by whom the money will be distributed. We recommend that this be referred to the incoming commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. A resolution from the Department of Missouri referring to the erection of memorials. The committee recommends that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so done unless objected to.

Past Commander in Chief GILMAN. This is a resolution protesting against the league of nations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Let me ask, Mr. Chairman—everything so far has been unanimous with the committee. I desire at this point to ask if you will permit us to pass the resolutions up to this point as a whole?

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I move the adoption of the report of the committee as a whole.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Up to this point. There is a contested part of it. Those in favor of adopting the recommendations as read as a whole up to the present point will say "aye." Contrary will say "no." Carried. The committee will proceed.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. As the chairman of the committee has stated, this is a resolution protesting against the league of nations. I make the point of order that this being a political question is forbidden by the rules and regulations to be entertained in the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade T. C. DEJEAN, of South Dakota. I protest that it is not a political question.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. A matter of information. Does the Chair hold that the point of order when raised is debatable?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is not debatable. I am not going to exercise my prerogative by stating to you my position publicly on that matter in the Grand Army of the Republic encampment. The objection is sustained.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. From that decision of the Chair I appeal.

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I second the appeal.

Comrade KETCHAM. In connection with the appeal I want to read the resolution.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Remarks are not in order on an appeal.

Comrade KETCHAM. That is a mistake. They are in order on an appeal.

(The senior vice commander in chief was called to the chair.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There has been an appeal from the decision of the commander in chief. Shall he be supported in his decision is the question before the encampment at this time. The question is on the sustaining of the decision of the commander in chief.

Comrade KETCHAM. I want to be heard now. It is my right to be heard now.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, comrades, let us use judgment. Let us exercise patience. Let us give that courtesy to each comrade that he deserves in our beloved order. Listen to the comrade from Indiana. [Applause.]

Comrade KETCHAM. Comrades, in order that you may know what it is that you are to vote upon, I desire to call your attention to the resolution that has been offered and to my views on the fact that it is in order. [Reading:]

The Grand Army of the Republic, not at all interested or participating in partisan politics, is nevertheless vitally interested in all public questions, especially those involving principles for which its members, in the heyday of their youth, offered their lives in the service of this country.

We believe in this Nation; we fought for its preservation, and in saving it we saved for the people of the world the last hope of liberty, and now, in our old age, we are loth to see this Nation embark in any policy that may endanger the great charters of its liberty. We can not bring our hearts to believe in internationalism, socialism, or bolshevism—different in degree but not so much in kind.

We believe in this Nation; we believe it is the hope and the light of the world, and we condemn any policy that may by any possibility result in the surrender of its independence or place it under the domination of any other nation or combination of nations on the face of the globe.

This Nation has questions for solution that, now that the war is in fact ended, call for the best brains of the best men in the country, and in the solution of those questions we do not need, or desire the assistance or control of any other nation.

For more than a century and a quarter this Nation has been striving to justly settle its relations with the unfortunate race that has been cast upon our shores. In the middle of the century that is now dead and buried we accomplished much in ameliorating their condition, giving to them the benefit of freedom and the hope of a possible future. In the years that have elapsed since that date we have not accomplished as much as had been hoped for their welfare and the question is still acute with us.

We are not concerned with the internal policies of the nations of Europe, Asia, or Africa, many of whom have far different ideals from those that obtain in this country. We believe in peace, and if necessary are ready that this Nation should fight for it; but when it does we want it to do so of its own voluntary choice and not under the dictation of any other nation or combination of nations anywhere. We are unwilling that this Nation shall be combined with other nations, who may have the power to commit us to policies out of harmony with our ideals and institutions, and we are especially unwilling to be charged with the duty of caring for or controlling lands and peoples far distant from our shores under the dictation and control of any authority in which we will practically have small voice.

For these all sufficient reasons and for the preservation of our national integrity and independence, we protest against being committed to the covenant for a league of nations as the same is now proposed as a rider to the treaty of peace for consideration



and action by the Senate of the United States, and we commend this memorial to the careful consideration of the Senate of the United States.

[Cries of "Sit Down!"]

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade shall be heard.

Comrade KETCHAM. I will be heard unless the commander says I shall not.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Go on, Comrade. Let us have quiet.

Comrade KETCHAM. I am not now proposing to discuss the merits of this proposition. That I take it will come later. I am discussing alone the question as to whether this resolution is in order. That is the only question that is now before the encampment. The point was made that it is a political question. All public questions—any public question in its broad sense is a political question; and what the Grand Army of the Republic says we shall not embark upon is, questions of partisan politics. There is no question of partisan politics in this. The President of the United States has told the people of the United States again and again that it is not a political question. The last President of the United States has gone up and down the land and told the people that it is not a political question. The last candidate of one of the great parties has again and again told the people that it is not a political question. And then there are other candidates for the Presidency, some of whom have been heard from and some not—one of them is in the penitentiary. That was good reason for not hearing from him. And others have gone into the discard and the people don't want to know what they think. But it is what you think.

If you believe that this is a question of partisan politics, you will vote to sustain the Chair. If you believe with me that it is not a question of partisan politics, that it is a question of the great future of this Nation to-day, to-morrow, and for all time, on which the Grand Army of the Republic is not bound to put its hand on its mouth and its mouth in the dust and keep silence, and the Grand Army of the Republic is an organization to which I have belonged for lo, these many years, in whose judgment and courage I have the highest confidence, it would be for this encampment to say whether in its judgment this is a question of partisan politics.

Where does the idea come from, Commander, that it is a question of partisan politics? No national convention of one party and no national convention of another party has ever said that it was a question of partisan politics. No State convention that I ever have heard of has said that it was a question of partisan politics. No national committee of either of the great political parties of the country has proclaimed it as a question of partisan politics. In the Senate of the United States there are men that belong to one party that favor it and that oppose it. There are men who belong to another party that oppose it, and others who favor it; and they don't claim that it is a question of partisan politics.

It is not a question of partisan politics. It is a question as to the future independence of this Nation. It is a question whether in the year 1919 we shall subordinate to King George on the throne of England what our fathers wrested from another King George. That

is a public question, but it is not a partisan question, and upon that I invoke the solemn judgment of this encampment.

I don't care whether you are Democrats or whether you are Republicans. I have warm friends in my party and some enemies in my party. I have warm friends in the other party. I have talked with men of my party and I have talked with men of the other party who are not fortunate enough to be commanders in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and they all say it is a public question involving the future and the life of this Nation, and it is not a partisan question.

So I beg of you, comrades, that you don't run away. You have not been in the habit of running away from public questions heretofore, and I know no reason why in your riper years you should now, on the ghost of a suggestion that there is partisanship in a measure that has not a line of partisanship in it, turn your backs on the future of this country; and I urge you that the opinion of the Chair be not sustained.

Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. I rise to a question of privilege. I want to reply just briefly to some of the remarks of Comrade Ketcham. I want his attention.

Comrade KETCHAM. I am giving you attention.

Commander in Chief ADAMS. I want his attention and I want to have order on the platform. When he made the inference that because a man had been elected commander in chief that he had lost his identity with this organization he certainly made one of the mistakes of his life, because I shall live with you for the next 25 years. [Applause.]

Now, comrades, there is just one other point that I have the right to state to you. I said in the beginning that I would not even possess myself of that prerogative, but now the question is up. On our Memorial Day the ex-President of the United States, William Howard Taft, and the coterie that he was taking over the country demanded that they have equal time with me at Topeka, Kans., they to discuss the league of nations and I to talk on Memorial Day. I promptly said then that it was a political question and they must not do it, and drove Mr. Taft not only off of the platform there but in Kansas City also. I thank you.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in Chief and Comrades: When this question came up before the committee on resolutions, in the absence of Comrade Gilman I occupied the chair. The same point of order was raised, and honestly, conscientiously, as an American citizen, as a lawyer and as a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, I held that the point of order was not well taken. [Applause.]

Now, just briefly. As said by Comrade Ketcham nearly every question that can arise affecting the destiny of this Nation is more or less a political question. When we put in our rules and our regulations a prohibition against the discussion of political questions and the advocacy of a candidacy, did we mean to shut out every question that might be more or less political? No, we merely intended to shut out partisan politics. [Applause.]

On yesterday I heard my beloved commander in chief declare that a Bolshevik ought to be shot. What is Bolshevism but a political movement for a soviet government, and if we are wrong, if we are



violating our rules and regulations in discussing this question, then my beloved comrade was wrong when he proposed to shoot a man who might entertain a different political opinion from him, although in my judgment he ought to be shot. [Applause.]

I think the boys will do me justice. Now, I say here, no political party, no State political party, no committee of either of the great political parties, has declared this is a partisan question. President Wilson in his addresses has said "I am not speaking as a Democrat or a Republican, but as an American." He even went further and said that in his tour he was using the word "democrat" with a little "d".

The Democratic President and the ex-Republican President are both in favor of it. Wilson is not the Democratic Party, nor Taft the Republican Party. It is a fundamental question, and while I am not in favor of the resolution as worded, still I believe that it is a question beyond all partisanship, and that my beloved friend was wrong in ruling that it is not proper for us to consider this question.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I would like to make this statement, comrades, that you may all understand and not be criticizing unjustly. The committee should be heard before any comrade on the floor.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Commander in Chief and Comrades: I desire to explain to you why I believe I was right in making that point of order. It is a political question. [Cries of "No!"] You may have your opinion just as long as you like, but mark my word, when the two political conventions meet in 1920 one of them will write on their banners "We demanded the league of nations and we could not get it," and the other one will say "We opposed the league of nations and you passed it with such and such reservations."

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. How do you know that?

[Great confusion in the hall.]

Comrade COLE. Can't you be a little bit fair? I really wish you could. It is a remarkable thing, a most remarkable thing that when a man says something that pleases you, you will not only listen but you will let him complete his remarks. But when what he says don't please you, you are not willing to let him complete it and make explanation, for possibly he might put a different phase on it. If this resolution should be passed it would go out to the world that we are opposed to any league of nations. I don't believe it. [Cries of "No!"] The people of the United States desire to adopt some method whereby hereafter there shall be no war. I believe that that is a bad league as it exists. The Senate of the United States believes it to be a bad league and they have amended it, and when it is amended they will pass it.

Now, let us say what we honestly believe. We are opposed to war. We don't want any more wars, either in Europe or in the United States. But we are in favor of keeping our soldiers at home until the Congress of the United States should order them to go to Europe. [Applause.] That is the kind of a league I want, and if we should pass a proper resolution at this time it would show that we are in favor of peace. We are in favor of the right kind of a league, but

these resolutions denounce any league of nations, as they are printed. That is not proper.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. You are misstating the resolution.

Comrade SAMUEL P. TOWN, of Pennsylvania. You are talking on the main question, not on the appeal.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I rise to a point of order. He is discussing the merits of the resolution and not the question of the appeal.

Comrade COLE. I think the comrade is right. I started to tell you why I thought the ruling was proper, but you made such an outcry you could not hear. If you will listen to me again, please don't interrupt. Whether you like it or dislike it, please keep still. I said I thought it was partisan because the Senate of the United States and the House of Representatives are almost practically divided on this question. I find in going about among the people that nearly every one belonging to one party are opposed to it, and all the rest of the people, especially the office holders, are ardently in favor of it. And I find that the newspapers, those that belong to one political party, are all opposed to it.

Comrade CONEY. I rise to a point of order again. He is discussing the merits of the question, and not the appeal.

Comrade COLE. I will be more gracious than you. I will be better natured than you, and I will stop.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. Just a word or two and that is all. This resolution was debated before the committee on resolutions yesterday evening and it was favorably reported to this body and it has not yet had an opportunity to be presented to you because the commander in chief promptly ruled it out as involving a political question. Just how the commander in chief could well do that when he didn't know what was in it, I don't quite understand. [Laughter.] But we want a fair, square American deal here this morning and we are going to have it. [Applause.]

If this league of nations involves a political question, then to the scrap heap with the league of nations. That is the worst thing that can be said against it, that it is a political question, a partisan question. It is not anything of the sort. It is a great big American question. [Applause.] It involves the welfare of the United States of America. The question is whether we are going to be faithful to our trust and stand by the men who laid the foundations of this Government and who wrote its Constitution, and to the patriots of the generations that have passed who have built up this Nation. It is a question whether we are going to stand by that great work, or whether the Grand Army of the Republic is going to say, "Let's hurry through with this league of nations. I don't understand what it means; let's hurry through with it because some of our leaders say that if it is adopted then the price of foodstuff will decline." And we may find ourselves in the position of one in ancient days who sold his birthright for a mess of pottage, and I don't want to see the United States of America sell its birthright for a mess of pottage or for anything else. [Applause.]



The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Let us have order. Past Commander in Chief Van Sant is a member of the committee and should be heard.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. Senior Vice Commander in Chief, we have a simple proposition before us. This matter should be opened up for discussion and settlement by this encampment, and in order to do that we must not stand by the decision of the Chair. I dislike very much to appeal from it. Comrade Adams has made a splendid commander in chief, but on this matter I think he is wrong. We should stand by our guns. I do this with no disrespect to the commander in chief for he has no warmer friend than I am. But, Commander, the Grand Army of the Republic never ran away from a question. Let's dispose of this question and settle it afterwards. I believe in a league of nations, but I believe in the right league of nations, a league of nations with proper amendments so that our liberties will be maintained and real Americanism can rule the United States of America, and by the eternal it is going to do it. [Applause.]

Comrade SAMUEL M. HENCH, of Indiana. Commander, it is not necessary for me to state here to-day whether I am in favor of the league of nations or whether I am against the league of nations as a proposition of law, or of international law, or whatever we may call it. But I say to you here to-day as a member of this encampment that in my opinion the ruling of the Chair, of our noble commander, on Comrade Cole's suggestion that it was a political question, is proper and right, and that we should sustain the commander. [Cries of "No!"]

You have heard all the national commanders that desired to speak, now give a man that was a private soldier a right to say a word here before the encampment. They say here that this is a great question and that this encampment should vote upon it. Years ago, when the question came up as to whether women had the right to vote, did any member of this encampment ever know of a resolution that went through here in favor of woman's suffrage? When the question came up as a national question whether prohibition should become a part of the policy of the United States of America, did the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic pass a resolution in favor of or against prohibition?

Has it not been the fact that at the early part of the Grand Army of the Republic one of the reasons why it did not make a success like it has made in the last 25 years is because it was said that the Grand Army of the Republic was a political organization. Now, that was a fact, comrades, and you all know it.

This same resolution—and I have no better friend personally in the State of Indiana than Capt. Ketcham; he is one of our able men and able lawyers—but I want to say that this same resolution came up before the Department of Indiana at Elkhart last May. I won't say it was word for word or that it was not word for word. That encampment there declared against that resolution, in our encampment at Elkhart in May last.

Why, the only thing that is disturbing the political horizon to-day is this league of nations question. They say it is not political, but the statement made by Comrade Cole as to what the political parties will do is all true, and we all know it. And we know further that if

we pass this resolution, if we sustain Comrade Ketcham's resolution, it will be telegraphed all over this country that the Grand Army of the Republic—— [Cries of "No," and great confusion.]

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. The commander in chief proposes to explain his position, and before explaining his position he has asked me to read the resolution.

Comrade SAMUEL P. TOWN, of Pennsylvania. The resolution is not before us.

Comrade COLE. I have told you that the commander in chief proposes to explain his position.

Comrade TOWN. We have had the resolution read to us already. Don't read it to us again.

Comrade COLE. He has asked me to read it.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade has the floor. When he is through you will be recognized.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I challenge that ruling. The comrade from Indiana had the floor and you can not take him off the floor in that kind of manner.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Proceed, comrade.

Comrade SAMUEL M. HENCH, of Indiana. Comrade Cole, just a moment, because we are not excited. We are not the least bit excited, but the fact is that what is occurring here at this time leads every one of the comrades and all of us to know that some great principle is involved, something or other that is unusual or out of the ordinary.

Now then why shall we here now at the closing part of our career as soldiers who stood up for the Union, who fought and many of us bled upon the field of battle in the days gone by, throw something into our Grand Army circles that may cause a hiatus, that may be of such a character that it will be dangerous for years for all we know?

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I rise to a point of order. He is discussing the question outside of the appeal.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Confine yourself to the question sustaining the appeal.

Comrade HENCH. Just one word more, and that is this, comrades: Before you vote think of what you are doing, not whether you are in favor of the league of nations, not whether you are against the league of nations, but "I am now going to vote on something that will declare and establish a precedent. Will it be better that we have a clear sheet as we have had since 1881?" That when we went before the committee, and I was one of that committee that got a cent a mile through last year and helped to get the Smoot bill through, and was with the comrades all these years—— [Cries of "Sit down."]

Comrade C. H. WILLIAM RUHE, of Pennsylvania. As a member of the committee I ask for the floor.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We must have order.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. The commander in chief desires that I shall again read these resolutions. Will you please pay attention?

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. I rise to a point of order.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. I want to make an inquiry, and after that the comrade here has the floor.

Comrade BENGOUGH. I rise to a point of order.



Comrade KETCHAM. As the comrade who took this appeal, is it not my right when the time comes to close the debate?

Comrade BENGOUGH. I want to make the point of order that these resolutions are not before this encampment. We are discussing the appeal and we will not have any chance on the resolution until we settle the appeal.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The point is well taken. The commander in chief wants to make a statement.

Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. Comrades, if you will permit me, I would like your attention now. I presume on the essentials of this matter we are pretty nearly a unit. I want to tell you just for a few moments what my experience has been. When I met with the splendid Department of Indiana a resolution similar to this was absolutely turned down, and it was turned down after I had made and stated my position adverse to the league of nations, as it stands, and I did it most strongly, as I have done it before this encampment. I proceeded to Minnesota. I did the same thing. My address was denounced as political by the Minnesota comrades. I went to New Jersey, went down to New York, I went to Illinois, to Wisconsin, and I was criticized for taking the position I took in my address before them. Now comrades, when I hear comrades on this floor, who absolutely criticized me then, and undertake to say that I am wrong in this matter now, I want to say to you that I put it up to you, in order that this encampment might be right on it by deciding it. I believe I was right on it when I considered it, so far as that is concerned. I am not speaking for or against the proposition of the league of nations, but I want you to fully understand and listen to these comrades discuss the true essence of this matter.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. May I ask just this one question. The commander in chief was with us in Kansas when ex-President Taft was advertised to deliver a speech on the league of nations in that city on Memorial Day. It was not a question of politics. It was a question of the desecration of our Memorial Day law, and I asked the commander in chief if he would not enter his protest, and he did very manfully and very patriotically, and we kept Taft from speaking in desecration of Memorial Day laws there and at Kansas City; not because it was a political question, but because it was a desecration of our Memorial Day laws in Kansas.

Now, just a word on the appeal. This is not a political question, and if it was we have a right to discuss it and to consider it. Our rules and regulations say, and we have repeatedly decided it in our encampments, that partisan questions alone are prohibited not political. Comrade Ketcham is absolutely within the rules and regulations; and more than that, comrades, if you vote to sustain the commander in chief at this time and rule that to be a political question, you have struck at the very vitals of the Grand Army of the Republic that stands for patriotism, that stands for Americanism, that stands for our independence, and all that has been done before us.

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania. Commander and comrades of the Grand Army, as a member of the committee on resolutions I am familiar with the wording of the resolution that

Comrade Ketcham has introduced, and when it was first read it created a doubt in my mind as to whether it was a political question or whether it was not a political question. The wording itself explains to you fully that it is not partisan, and as our rules and regulations have often been defined by the men who sit up on that platform, who helped to frame them, who know how to interpret them, they have told you time and again that those rules apply in this manner, that you can not discuss partisan politics. It was my privilege before the committee to make the last argument upon the point of order that was raised, before Comrade Burton made his decision upon the point, and I will briefly go over some of the statements that I made. [Cries of "Oh, no!"]

I was critically called to order by the chairman to confine myself absolutely to the appeal, and that is what I am going to do now. We have here before us an appeal from the decision of the chair. What does that mean to you, comrades? It means this, if you sustain the chair you take away from the comrades of this encampment the privilege of expressing their opinion upon one of the most vital questions that has ever come before this country. I know the commander in chief in his heart does not wish to do that, and I know that every comrade on this floor wishes to express his opinion upon the vital interests of this country, and that is the only thing that is before us now. Shall we act fairly toward the members of the great Grand Army of the Republic? Shall we act fairly toward the country whose interests we all have at heart because we were the body that preserved those interests? Or shall we surrender the independence, the integrity, the freedom of this country to something in which you will not have an equal part? I only ask that we do not sustain the decision of the chair for the purpose so that we can discuss the merits of something in which we are vitally interested, and for which we offered at one time all that was dear to every human being in order to preserve it.

Now comrades, where are your interests in the country? I leave it to your judgment now. I am against sustaining the chair so that we can get something before the house. If it does not suit us in the manner in which it has been drawn, you will at least have the opportunity of expressing your opinion the way you want it on this vital question today. [Cries of "Question!"]

Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. I feel fully sustained, now, for what I have heard here is the very sentiment that I was denounced for throughout many departments, and I am going to withdraw that ruling and say you have settled it. Wait a moment until I finish. In withdrawing that ruling I want to say you have settled it according to my wish. When I was elected your commander I felt my Americanism more than ever before and I have brought out this discussion in order that I might know absolutely where you stood. I have suffered condemnation, but I rejoice in the decision. [Great applause.]

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. In closing this debate I want to say to my good friend from my department, that I was at the encampment in Elkhart. He said that the Department of Indiana had turned down a similar resolution, and on that I want to make a correction. He made the point of order in the Department of Indiana that it was a political question, and he was promptly overruled, and



the encampment stood by that ruling. The encampment had before it two resolutions, one shorter and this longer. They debated the shorter resolution and then when the boys got tired of hearing debate, as they so frequently do in Grand Army encampments when they don't want to hear any more, they indefinitely postponed it. It was never in any way held to be obnoxious as a political question and it never ought to be anywhere.

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Ketcham, the resolutions are before the house. Let's now take up the resolution and dispose of it.

Comrade ASA CURL, of Colorado and Wyoming. I move we adopt this resolution.

Comrade KETCHAM. I move the adoption of the resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The request is made to have the resolution read, and it is so ordered unless you make it to the contrary.

(Whereupon the resolution in question was read to the encampment by Comrade Frank O. Cole, of New Jersey, secretary of the committee on resolutions.)

Comrade COLE. Now, Commander in Chief, I desire to offer a substitute for the resolution as now printed, and I will read it:

We, the members of the Fifty-third National Encampment, believing as we do that a league of nations will ultimately lead to universal peace, we sincerely desire the enactment of a proper league with such reservations as shall not impair the Constitution of the United States and shall maintain the Monroe doctrine and the supremacy of the institutions, customs, and laws under which for more than a century we have grown to our magnificent proportions.

I move the adoption of the substitute.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the substitute. Are you ready for the question?

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. Commander in Chief, this resolution does not constitute a statute. It is a constitution, and the right or force is in the words: "We protest against being committed to the covenant for a league of nations as the same is now proposed as a rider to the treaty of peace for consideration and action by the Senate of the United States." It is for the Senate to say, having the principle declared, whether they shall make this amendment or that amendment, this reservation or that reservation. That is up to them and it is not to us, and for that reason I did not go any further in this resolution. And, Commander in Chief and comrades, if you vote this down or if you submit any substitutes it will be heralded abroad all over the land that the Grand Army of the Republic is in favor of the league of nations as it is now proposed. We will have no opportunity to defend ourselves, and so I move to lay the substitute on the table.

(The motion was seconded by several comrades.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. The motion is to lay the substitute on the table. Those in favor will say, "aye." Contrary, "no." The ayes have it.

Comrade KETCHAM. Then I move the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move the previous question.

Comrade KETCHAM. On that I want a rising vote. I want to know how every man in this encampment stands upon the question of Americanism.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is on the adoption of the report of the committee on resolutions.

Comrade CHARLES BURROWS, of New Jersey. What is the report of the committee?

Comrade COLE. Favorable.

Comrade BURROWS. For the adoption of the original resolution.

Comrade J. S. HOAGLAND, of Nebraska. I rise to a point of order, that notwithstanding Comrade Cole, of New Jersey, called his resolution a substitute, it was in fact an amendment and Comrade Ketcham moved to lay that amendment on the table and it was so done and carried the entire subject matter. [Cries of "No" and calls for the previous question.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The previous question is called for.

Past Commander in Chief WM. J. PATTERSON. I second the previous question.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Shall the previous question be now put?

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those in favor of the motion will say, aye. Contrary will say, no. The ayes have it. Now comrades, the question is on the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade KETCHAM. A rising vote is demanded.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those in favor will arise. Those against will arise. It is adopted.

Comrade W. M. HAHN, of Ohio. We have had a great time with the league of nations. This resolution is more practical than the league of nations. Comrades, I want you to hear this because you are all interested in this. In Ohio we passed a resolution in the State encampment providing pensions in this country should be paid monthly, not in 90 days. It was sent to the national encampment at Boston and there unanimously passed, that pensions should be paid the soldiers and widows of this country every 30 days. The Commissioner of Pensions is here, I think; if not he was at Lima, and in reference to the resolution he said it could be done without additional cost to the Government. Show me the man who will protest in this day and age against the payment of pensions monthly. It is impossible for comrades who live upon pensions to purchase goods in the markets in the cities or towns as cheap as the man who has ready money. Many of us don't need the pensions, but what about our comrades who do need these pensions and upon which they live? I don't want this encampment to adjourn until you have passed a resolution asking our Senators and Congressmen to make provision for the payment of pensions monthly.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Submit your resolution. You have heard the statement of the comrade from Ohio. Are you all in favor of it? Any one opposed to it? It is adopted unanimously.

(Following is the resolution:)

*Resolved*, That this encampment request our Senators and Congressmen to secure the passage of a bill for the payment of pensions monthly to our comrades and their widows.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. The committee on rules and regulations had referred to them from the committee on resolutions an application from the Department of Tennessee asking to have two past department commanders who had lost their stand-



ing and who had been restored in their posts, to their positions and rights in the national encampment. The application is not made in proper form as prescribed by the action of this encampment to be found in the Blue Book, edition of 1913, page 59, which prescribes how the application shall be made and the information that shall be given to this encampment in order to enable it to act understandingly. The committee therefore report recommending that this application be rejected. Mind you, it doesn't prevent that department from presenting an application in proper form at the next national encampment. We move the adoption of our report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption of the report. Any remarks? Those in favor will say, aye. The report is adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. The committee on resolutions has referred to the committee on rules and regulations a proposed amendment to the by-laws of the national organization which was read to you, providing that "no comrade shall be eligible to an office in the State department or national organization unless he is a member of the Grand Army post in the county in which he resides or the post nearest thereto." This does not comply with a single one of the requirements of the rules and regulations in regard to amendments to the rules and regulations. It has not been passed by any department; it is not presented by any department; and it has not been published in general orders, as required by the rules and regulations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Then we will rule it out of order.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. And we therefore recommend that it be rejected, and I move that the action of the committee be adopted.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BEERS. Next is a communication from the World War Veterans in relation to federation. Your committee report no action is necessary in this matter, as it has already been covered in a previous resolution which has been adopted by this encampment. We move that our report be accepted.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The entire report, together with the report on this resolution, is before you, and unless objected to it will be received and adopted.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL (reading):

TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS, COMMANDERY IN CHIEF,  
SONS OF VETERANS, U. S. A.,  
Columbus, Ohio, September 11, 1919.

To the GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, Greetings:

By unanimous vote of the Thirty-eighth Annual Encampment of the Commandery in Chief, Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., I am directed to transmit to you the attached copy of a resolution presented to and unanimously passed by the encampment at its session of September 11 current.

I have the honor to remain, yours, very respectfully, in F., C. and L.,

FRANCIS CALLAHAN, *Commander in Chief.*

Attest:

H. H. HAMMER, *National Secretary.*

#### DECLARATION OF THE SONS OF VETERANS.

The Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., being the descendants of the Union soldiers and sailors of the Civil War, organized as a civic body for many years to perpetuate the memory of their fathers' service and sacrifices for the preservation of the Union, and to inculcate the principles of patriotism and love of country, do declare:

That the order will, to the limit of its power and influence, vigorously oppose all bolshevik movements and tendencies, and all efforts that make for the destruction or impairment of our constitutional Union.

That we demand of all citizens 100 per cent Americanism.

That we call upon Congress to provide necessary laws for the deportation of all unregenerate aliens, and those who do not in good faith seek to become citizens.

That we insist upon the energetic enforcement of these laws by the executive branch of the Government.

That we believe that Congress should forthwith cause to be made an extensive and exhaustive investigation of the causes of social unrest in all parts of the country, and having ascertained the causes, then to provide the remedies that will restore the peace and happiness of the whole people under unaltered American institutions.

To the accomplishment of the foregoing the Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., hereby pledge the unswerving and loyal efforts of their entire membership; and express their willingness to cooperate with all other patriotic organizations actuated by similar motives.

This order furthermore offers to the Government the service of its nation-wide organization with its influence in affiliated orders and social circles to distribute any propaganda of Americanism which may be authorized to combat all movements which would raise the red flag of anarchy, or which are treasonable or subversive of free democracy as handed down by the founders of this Republic.

Adopted and promulgated by the Thirty-eighth National Encampment at Columbus, Ohio, September 11, 1919.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All those who indorse those sentiments will say, "aye." It is unanimous. I trust the adjutant general will return the compliments of this encampment to the Sons of Veterans and say to them that this is the supreme wish of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Adj. Gen. ALBERT M. TRIMBLE. It will be a great pleasure to do that.

Past Commander in Chief ORLANDO A. SOMERS. I have a report of the committee on the reports of officers other than the commander in chief. [Reading:]

Your committee begs leave to report that we find them proper in form and substance and worthy of approval. We fully approve and concur in the decisions of the judge advocate. We call attention especially to the reports of the patriotic instructor and of the inspector general, which disclose a vast amount of painstaking labor and valuable data helpful to our order which we earnestly commend to the consideration and favorable action of this encampment and of the several departments of the Grand Army of the Republic.

We therefore recommend that the thanks of this encampment be tendered these officials for the intelligent and faithful performance of their several duties.

ORLANDO A. SOMERS,  
LEO RASSIEUR,  
GEO. A. NEWMAN,  
*Committee.*

I move the adoption of the report.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief and unanimously adopted.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Longfellow has the floor. Memorium on the death of Comrade Ireland, past chaplain in chief.

Comrade LEVI LONGFELLOW, of Minnesota. I trust after the exciting time we have had here you may be sufficiently able to quiet your thoughts for a moment while we give due consideration to a matter of some importance. [Reading:]

Hon. C. E. ADAMS,

*Commander in Chief Grand Army of the Republic*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: Your committee (consisting of Levi Longfellow, past department commander of Minnesota; C. F. McDonald, past department commander of Minnesota, who died August 9, 1919; and Comrade Henry B. Dike) appointed to prepare a suitable memorial of the late Archbishop John Ireland, past chaplain in chief, Grand Army of the Republic, beg to submit the following:



IN MEMORIAM, DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA, MOST REVEREND JOHN IRELAND,  
PAST CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Most Reverend Archbishop John Ireland was born September 11, 1838, in the village of Burn Church, County Kilkenny, Ireland. His father came to America in 1849, soon after locating at Burlington, Vt., where he was joined by his family in the autumn of 1850.

In 1851 they moved to Chicago and from thence, in 1852, to St. Paul, at that time a frontier village.

From his parents Comrade Ireland inherited those elements of mind, spirituality, vigor, and character upon which were builded his successful career, that made him preeminent as a patriot and churchman.

In his boyhood days he attended public and parochial schools in this country. The years of his young manhood were devoted to preparation for the priesthood at Meximieu, France, completing in four years an eight-year course at that school. He also studied theology under the Marist Fathers at Hyeres on the Riviera.

He was ordained to the priesthood December 21, 1861; consecrated coadjutor bishop of St. Paul December 21, 1875; succeeded to the office of bishop of the diocese July 31, 1884; and consecrated archbishop May 15, 1888.

At the first shot on Fort Sumter, he applied to the American consulate at Paris for passports to return to America. When asked "Are you a Unionist?" he replied, "Undoubtedly, to the last drop of my blood."

He was commissioned chaplain of the Fifth Regiment, Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, June 23, 1862, and served until April 3, 1863, when he resigned on account of serious illness.

It is told how, at the battle of Iuka, he carried cartridges from the rear, back and forth, on the firing line—cheering and inspiring his comrades throughout that battle.

On returning to St. Paul he organized the first total abstinence society in Minnesota, and consistently fought intemperance, ever standing firmly for public righteousness and free education.

As chaplain he was faithful, self-sacrificing and always ready to minister to his sick, wounded and dying comrades, irrespective of religious beliefs or church affiliation.

John Ireland was unqualifiedly a genuine American whose voice and influence were true and active on every question involving the honor and welfare of our country. The statement of his faith, using his own language, was "My religious faith, Catholicism, my civil and political faith, Americanism," and his every act and word were in accordance with this profession. Modest and unassuming, he cared neither for praise nor blame, if only his conscience indicated the way of duty. His ardent love and patriotic devotion to our country and its flag were ever constant and true.

He knew and understood the American people, loved American ideals, and every throb of his heart was true to his country's hopes and aspirations.

Archbishop Ireland was elected chaplain-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic at the fortieth national encampment held in Minneapolis in 1906. He was elected commander of the Minnesota Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion, May 14, 1918.

After an illness of many months, and in his eighty-first year, John Ireland, archbishop of St. Paul, died at the Episcopal residence, St. Paul, Minn., September 25, 1918. Conscious of the approaching end, and with an unfaltering trust and unwavering faith, as the autumn leaves began to turn to gold and crimson, like a shadow softly and sweetly thrown from a passing cloud, he went to his eternal reward.

He had been a priest of the Roman Catholic church for 57 years, a bishop for 43 years, and archbishop for 30 years. His passing removes a foremost figure in Minnesota and the Northwest, a national figure for many years. As priest, army chaplain, colonizer, temperance advocate, educator, diplomat, orator and author his work will endure, bearing fruitage until languages are dead and lips are dust. As a leader in civic and religious thought he was among the most widely known Americans of his time. "So let us not so much mourn that he is dead, but rather let us rejoice that he has lived."

Respectfully submitted.

LEVI LONGFELLOW,  
HENRY B. DIKE,  
*Committee.*

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, as a mark of veneration to the comradeship of Comrade Ireland, in support of these splendid resolutions, I will ask you to rise and give them recognition.

(The encampment rises.)

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana, of the committee on resolutions (reading):

The Grand Army of the Republic in its national encampment assembled, mindful and appreciative of the royal manner in which the members of this encampment, their comrades and their friends, including its allied organizations, numbering in all 100,000 or more, have been entertained, and the perfection and success in which such entertainment was planned and carried out, so that not one of these visitors was neglected, desires to go of record on this occasion and at this time.

The thanks of this encampment are hereby extended to the citizens and officials of the city of Columbus and the State of Ohio for the magnificent hospitality extended to us during our visit here.

We give testimony to our high appreciation of our entertainment and desire to say that the city of Columbus has "done itself proud."

When we were here 31 years ago we little thought that we could ever again be as royally entertained, but the mellowing influence of time and our added years seem to have increased the devotion of this goodly city to the "strangers within their gates," and the year 1919 indicates clearly that the devotion of 1888 has not only not been diminished but has been increased with the passing years.

To us have been opened their homes, their hands, and their hearts, and the memory of this visit will abide in our hearts so long as the name of Columbus shall remain in our memory.

Commander, I desire to move the adoption of the resolutions and I call for a rising vote.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the resolution. Those in favor will rise to their feet. The resolution of Comrade Ketcham is unanimously adopted.

(Three cheers for Columbus were then given by the encampment.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have arrived now to the order of the election of officers. I will appoint as tellers William F. Kirchner, of New York; Samuel Blythe, of Oregon; and Ira R. Wildman, of Connecticut. The adjutant general will call the roll for nominations for commander in chief. Comrades, if any department has a candidate that they wish to present to this encampment they are privileged to do so when such department is called.

(The adjutant general began calling the roll of departments, no response being made until New York was reached.)

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Commander in Chief and Comrades: On the 25th of last June the Department of New York in encampment assembled unanimously indorsed the candidacy of one of our comrades, and by unanimous vote instructed our delegation to present his name for your consideration. My comrades have placed upon my shoulders, or rather upon my tongue, the honored task of placing his name before you. I am not on my feet to indulge in an extended eulogy of that candidate. His life is his best and complete eulogy. We have tried to make you familiar with the salient points of his career, and I am on my feet simply to say to you, that by all the standards the Grand Army has ever set up by which to judge its comrades, by reason of his long and faithful service of three years and nine months to the Nation in the hour of its peril, by reason of his fidelity and efficiency in discharging the various trusts that the favor of his fellow citizens among whom he has lived as the years have run has placed upon him, by reason of his character as a Christian gentleman, and last but by no means least, by reason of his 40 years of devoted service to the Grand Army of the Republic, we confidently present to you the name of Comrade James D. Bell, of New York [Great applause.]



(The calling of the roll was continued without further response until Oregon was reached.)

Comrade WM. M. HENDERSHOTT, of Oregon. The fifty-third annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is about to pass into history. In its history it is recorded that Illinois has been honored with six commanders in chief, Rhode Island one, Massachusetts five, Pennsylvania six, New York three and wants four, Potomac one, Nebraska three, Ohio five, Missouri three, Wisconsin two, Minnesota three, Michigan two, Vermont one, Indiana three, Maryland one, Washington, D. C., one, New Jersey one, Connecticut one, Iowa one, a fairly well distributed degree of honors from the Atlantic on the east to the Rocky Mountains on the west.

Now we of the Pacific coast ask that the honor be extended one time to the sunset of this great Republic. The great State of Oregon, first over the top in every patriotic endeavor, presents her claim for the office of commander in chief. We have a comrade who descends from a family of patriotic soldiers from the American Revolution to the present. The comrade is the last of the third generation from 1775 to the present. His grandfather served seven years in the Continental Army with Col. Washington, and was at the surrender of Yorktown. His father was a soldier in the second war of Independence in 1812. Our candidate was a soldier in 1861-1865, serving first in Company H, Fifty-fourth Indiana, and second in Company I, Fortieth Indiana. His son served three years in the Philippine war and in the Boxer uprising in China. His two grandsons made 13 trips across the continent in the Transport Service of the United States in the late war.

In presenting the name of this comrade to the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic I want to say in all candor, in all honesty, that I am presenting to you a man well qualified in every respect to assume the duties of commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is an educated man; he is a Christian gentleman, and able to administer the affairs of the Grand Army of the Republic with a righteous hand, and if necessary with an iron will.

I take great pleasure at this time in nominating for the office Comrade John G. Chambers, of Portland, Oreg., the "Rose City of the World."

(The roll call was continued by the adjutant general without further response until Virginia and North Carolina was reached.)

Comrade JOHN W. STEBBINS, of Virginia and North Carolina. Comrades, on the 23d day of April last, the Department encampments of Virginia and North Carolina punched a hole in the program that this organization has been using for the last 48 years by indorsing a candidate for the position of commander in chief, and since I happen to be that candidate I am going to smash precedent by putting myself in nomination.

You know the old couplet, I don't remember who wrote it, but it is something like this:

If the object be a ribbon or throne  
The victor is he who can go it alone.

Comrades, I am going to speak plain to you, because I have been trying for the last twenty-odd years to get a chance at your eye in regard to conditions in the South as related to the Grand Army of the Republic. Virginia and North Carolina is the poorest department of the

South. The departments of the South have kept themselves poor doing patriotic Grand Army work, and because I happen to be a native of the great State of New York and enlisted in the Ninth New York Cavalry, Company M, as soon as they would take me, I am going to take the great Department of New York and compare it with the equally great, in some respects, Departments of Virginia and North Carolina, so that you will see how they compare in regard to their ability and what they have done in the matter of Grand Army work.

Virginia and North Carolina has 155,000 Union soldiers within its borders. The great Department of New York in the report that was given five years ago after the Washington encampment had in its possession real estate and money to the amount of \$295,000. Virginia and North Carolina's share in that report was \$164.72.

Now as I said before, the southern departments have kept themselves poor doing Grand Army work. They expect to keep that up. They have had assistance by the national encampment, some, but it amounts to but a small sum compared to what they are doing down there and what they intend to do. They intend to keep that up, comrades, so long as there is a breath of life in us whether we have any assistance or not.

But to give you an idea of how things are going down there—we are small departments. Five years ago we had only 30 posts and 381 members. Now there is only one post in the city of Norfolk, of which I am a member and past post commander. I have held nearly every office in the Grand Army of the Republic up to and including that of department commander. They put me forward to attend to memorial work there and I have attended to it practically for the last 30 years. When we meet down at Elmwood cemetery, and it is a beautiful place, I have been in the habit of giving the order, "Comrades, fall in." Thirty years ago there were 60 to fall in. That line has been growing less and less year after year, and the rows of the dead have been growing longer and longer year after year. On last 30th day of May, comrades, when I went to look around before I gave the order to fall in, why I didn't do it because there was only one there and that one stands before you. [Applause.]

The Department of New York has had four years the commander in chief and seven years the senior vice. The southern departments all put together have not had one of either, and we think it is about time, if they are ever going to be recognized, that they should be so recognized.

So far as I am personally concerned, the people who know a man from his infancy until his head gets white like mine, know the most about him. After the National Tribune printed the account that my department had indorsed me, the post in my native town in their meeting gave me a unanimous indorsement and it was printed in a paper published by a captain in the United States Army who has known me from my birth up to the present time. My Department of Virginia and North Carolina has indorsed me five different times for junior vice commander in chief and once for senior vice commander in chief, and now for commander in chief without one single, solitary dissenting voice or vote.

When this vote comes to be taken you will hear one vote from the Department of Virginia and North Carolina given to New York, but the reason for that, comrades, is that he pledged his vote before the



department encampment met. Now comrades, it is up to you. My name is John W. Stebbins.

(The calling of the roll was continued and concluded without further nominations being made.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, we gave these nominating speeches unlimited time. The seconding speeches must be confined to one from a department, and each speaker will be limited to one minute.

(The roll of departments was then called by the adjutant general for seconds to the nominations, and the following responses were made:)

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination, in behalf of California and Nevada, of Comrade Bell of New York. I was born in New York, served in a New York regiment, lived in Brooklyn, the same town with Comrade Bell. We probably went to the same Sunday school in 1849. I witnessed the able manner in which he discharged the duties of chairman of the committee on resolutions at the encampment in Oregon and I felt then that he was proper timber for commander in chief, and I take great pleasure in seconding his nomination.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. I am authorized by the Department of Connecticut to second the nomination of Comrade James D. Bell. We have known him for the last forty years as an earnest worker in the Grand Army of the Republic. He is a gentleman in every sense of the word, and one of the best Grand Army men to be found in the United States of America.

Comrade A. E. SHOLES, of Georgia and South Carolina. Georgia and South Carolina take pleasure in seconding the nomination of J. D. Bell of New York.

Comrade SAMUEL FALLOWS, of Illinois. The Department of Illinois, through its representatives assembled in this city, unanimously recommend the election of Comrade Bell. We believe him to be a man suited for the position, as a superloyal American and member of the Grand Army of the Republic from the beginning to the present time.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. Time was in this country when all that was necessary to secure an election was to have New York and Indiana vote together. Twenty-seven years ago I stood at the foot of Capitol Hill and saw the most magnificent sight that mine eyes have ever rested upon, when a great forest of banners from New York came sweeping down Capitol Hill, and I have recalled that scene with pride and pleasure ever since. I served with three New York regiments, the One hundred and twelfth, the One hundred and fifteenth, and the One hundred and sixty-ninth New York. Forty-five months in the service of his country with a cross of honor won in battle, and his 13 years as a post commander; that number is very dear to me and commend him to me; and so with the assent of the Department of Indiana I desire to second the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa. I am instructed by the Iowa delegation to second the nomination of Comrade Bell. He will have the unanimous vote from Iowa.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. On behalf of the Department of Kansas it is indeed a pleasure to me, who served in the Army from the State of New York—I always like to see honors conferred

upon my State and my old State—to second the nomination of Comrade Bell. I have served with him in various encampments both on the committee on resolutions and in other capacities and I have found him to be very efficient, and a very earnest and energetic worker in the Grand Army, and it is indeed a pleasure to second the nomination of Comrade Bell and I do so by the unanimous request of Kansas.

Comrade AMERICUS WHEDON, of Kentucky. On behalf of the Department of Kentucky I am instructed to second the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade E. T. GIPSON, of Louisiana and Mississippi. Louisiana and Mississippi seconds the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade GEORGE W. GOULDING, of Maine. I am instructed to second the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade GEORGE T. LEECH, of Maryland. By order of the delegation from Maryland I second the nomination of J. D. Bell.

Comrade GEORGE W. WILDER, of Massachusetts. Massachusetts seconds the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade EDWIN F. LAMB, of Michigan. I am authorized to second the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade J. D. BUDD, of Minnesota. Minnesota seconds the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Past Commander in Chief LEO RASSIEUR. The delegation representing the Department of Missouri takes great pleasure in thanking New York for presenting such an able comrade for the position of commander in chief, and desires to support him unanimously at the vote.

Comrade JESSE B. STRODE, of Nebraska. I am authorized by the delegation representing Nebraska to second the nomination of John G. Chambers for commander in chief.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Commander in Chief, by unanimous vote of the Department of New Jersey I am directed to indorse the nomination of the comrade from New York. This task is to me a duty of love. I have known Comrade Bell personally for the last 25 years. A chivalric soldier, a courteous gentleman, an honest public official, an upright citizen of the United States, there is no man within the sound of my voice whom I would more gladly take to my heart than I would Jim Bell, of New York. There is an interesting thing in connection with the life of Comrade Bell. There is here today—— [Cries of "Time !"]

Comrade W. M. BERGER, of New Mexico. New Mexico will give her unanimous vote to Comrade J. D. Bell, of New York. I have known him for years. He has been a grand soldier, every inch of him.

Comrade D. L. MCKAY, of Oregon. I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination of the comrade from Oregon, the State that went over the top every time.

Past Commander in Chief WM. J. PATTERSON, of Pennsylvania. By unanimous instruction of the Department of Pennsylvania I have the pleasure of seconding the nomination of Comrade James D. Bell, which meets my hearty personal indorsement as well as of my own department. Pennsylvania casts at the proper time 40 votes for Comrade J. D. Bell.

Comrade H. B. SNYDER, of the Potomac. I am instructed by my delegation to second unanimously the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade FRED A. BURT, of Rhode Island. Rhode Island desires to second the nomination of Comrade Bell.



Comrade F. N. FESSENDEN, of Tennessee. Tennessee will support Comrade Bell, of New York.

Comrade C. W. A. SCHNELL, of Utah. I am authorized by the delegation from Utah to second the nomination of Comrade Bell, of New York.

Comrade C. T. S. PIERCE, of Vermont. Vermont seconds the nomination of Comrade Bell.

Comrade ROBERT L. CAMPBELL, of Wisconsin. I am authorized to vote solidly for Comrade Bell, of New York.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Your candidates are before you. We will proceed to call the roll and receive your decision.

Comrade JOHN G. CHAMBERS, of Oregon. Comrades, from the expression that I have heard from the different delegations now assembled, I see that I am not in it. But I want to thank the comrades for the kindly expressions to me since I have been here, and at this time I withdraw my name from before this body of loyal comrades and ask that this encampment make the nomination of James D. Bell, of New York, its unanimous choice.

Comrade JOHN W. STEBBINS, of Virginia and North Carolina. I move you that the rules be suspended and the adjutant general be instructed to cast the ballot of this encampment for J. D. Bell for commander in chief for the ensuing year.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is upon the suspension of the rules. Are you ready for the question? Those in favor will say, aye. It is carried. The question now is shall the adjutant general cast the entire vote of this encampment for James D. Bell. Those in favor will say, aye. It is carried.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. As instructed, comrades, the adjutant general casts the entire vote of this encampment for Comrade James D. Bell, of New York, for commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I declare Comrade Bell unanimously elected by this encampment. Will Comrade Chambers and Comrade Stebbins escort Comrade Bell to the platform.

(Comrade Bell was escorted to the platform by the committee named, the members of the encampment giving three cheers as he was presented to the commander in chief.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I take great pleasure in presenting to you Comrade Chambers, who will speak for Comrade Bell for just a moment.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief J. G. CHAMBERS. Commander in Chief and Comrades of the Grand Army: The mantle has fallen and it is on the shoulders of a worthy, patriotic, earnest worker of the Grand Army of the Republic. Let us all with our best endeavors, good wishes, and hearty good will support him in every patriotic endeavor during the coming year. I assure you, my comrade, you shall have my hearty support.

Comrade JAMES D. BELL, of New York. Thank you. I will need it. Commander in Chief and Comrades: I had a fine long speech prepared to give you, not only about matters of the Grand Army of the Republic, but about all the other world issues, but after listening this morning to the debate, which I did from the beginning, I thought that it might probably be a little relief to you if the new commander in chief did not talk much.

All I can say is this: That I feel very much like Senator Nesmith of Oregon who was elected to the Senate in the middle of the war. He went up from a log-cabin country and he saw the Capitol and he saw the Senators with Roman dignity and he asked himself how in the world he got there. Now I feel on this occasion just in that way.

Think of the long roll of the commanders in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and there are 49 of them, from Stephenson, of Illinois, to Adams, of Nebraska, 34 of them dead and 15 living, and when I think of those men, legislators, generals, governors, I feel dismayed on attempting to follow in their tracks.

But I am going, as the commander in chief so well said, to look upon this matter as a joint venture. You have elected me, and you are bound to rally to my support because it is the men behind that have to do the work. The commander in chief can not do it. I am going to rely upon you to do it. [A comrade: We will stand by you.] I have no doubt you will. You have been used to standing by your officers.

Now I have had for some little time some connection with a fund here known as the "permanent fund," and the way that that fund is handled is not, I confess, satisfactory to me. We take money out of that fund and some other people put money into it. The fund will naturally be depleted by such a process. It is very much like the frog that was down in the well and jumped up 2 feet and fell back 4. Now I want to see if you can not increase this fund. You have been helping in a lot of drives. Why can't we make a drive for ourselves at this time and increase that fund so that the interest of it will support the Grand Army, and not be compelled to break in on the principal at this time? Now I feel certain that with a little effort we can get some money for the permanent fund.

There is another thing. Now I notice here to-day that there were applications to restore lost honors of department commanders. If there is anything that I feel annoyed at, it is to find a footnote to a department commander, "Not now a member of the order;"—"Honors lost by withdrawal from the order." What in the world kind of a man must he be who has taken the highest office in our order and then withdraws from it? I don't understand that. I believe that the men who have got the honors ought to keep in the order and attend their post meetings.

As far as I am concerned I am simply a working member of the order. I am going to remain such. I am not going to enlarge either my feet or my head by reason of the promotion you have given me. I want to thank you all for this honor and I tell you it is the greatest that could come to any one in our order and I appreciate it highly. But I am not vain enough to think, comrades, that it was given to me for anything that I have done or for anything that I am.

It was the Department of New York you wanted to honor. It is 14 years since we have had a commander in chief and the last one was my friend here who placed me in nomination at my request, "the old man eloquent" whose lips have been touched by the god of persuasion and whose glowing words enchained his audiences. Now to Tanner, who managed my campaign, all I can say is that he managed it better than I could and with much greater success. I appreciate the work of my department. I appreciate the work of my own



post, Abel Smith-First Long Island, No. 435, of Brooklyn, of which I have been a member 36 consecutive years. I don't change much, comrades. I have kept in one place and therefore some people can find me. I have remained in that post and that post kept me for 25 solid years in the department encampment, and the department encampment was good enough to elect me a number of times to the national encampment.

To one and all I return my heartfelt thanks and promise my best efforts for the success of our order. [Applause.]

The ADJUTANT GENERAL (reading):

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, NATIONAL G. A. R., greetings.

The Capitol Motor Club will have 200 motor cars at the doors of Memorial Hall at the close of this meeting to take the national body for an auto ride.

Very respectfully,

CAPITOL MOTOR CLUB,  
By F. H. HERTEL,  
*Director and Manager.*

They want you to notify them when to come.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Do you want to take the ride, boys?

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. If we will attend strictly to business we can close our work in 30 minutes. Let's do it before we adjourn.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Call the roll for senior vice commander. Nominations for senior vice commander are in order.

Comrade W. M. HAHN, of Ohio. Can't we dispense with the calling of the roll, and simply present the candidates? We can do it in one-fifth or one-tenth of the time.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I suggest that the calling of the roll be dispensed with, and that nominations for the office be made from the floor.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, if you sustain me we will dispense with calling the roll and ask for nominations from the body of the house, only one speaking for any one department. Am I sustained? [Cries of "Yes".] Nominations are in order for senior vice commander.

Comrade W. M. HAHN, of Ohio. The delegates from Ohio are carrying out the instructions they received at the State encampment at Lima, Ohio, in June. We present the name, and I hope for your favorable consideration, of our Past Department Commander Hall, of Ohio. My comrades, you will make no mistake in the selection of this Christian gentleman. He has made an excellent record in Ohio. We all love him. He is a true soldier and we would appreciate your support. I just want to present Capt. Dan Hall's name because, my comrades, he was instrumental in giving you the great reception that the city of Columbus and the people of Ohio have given you, and when you go to your homes you will all remember the great time you had in Columbus. We want Capt. Hall to meet every one next year in the national encampment, and therefore, Mr. Commander, I am only carrying out the instructions of Ohio in asking for his election.

Comrade ASA CURL, of Colorado and Wyoming. I move you that the rules be suspended and that Comrade Hall be elected by a unanimous vote.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There is a motion made that the rules be suspended and that Comrade Hall of the Department of Ohio be elected senior vice commander in chief. [The motion was duly

seconded.] Those in favor of suspending the rules will say, aye. Contrary will say, no. The ayes have it. Those in favor of the election unanimously of Comrade Hall will say, aye. Contrary will say, no. It is carried. Will you please prepare the vote?

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. As instructed, comrades, I cast the vote of the encampment for Dan M. Hall, of Columbus, Ohio as your senior vice commander in chief for the coming year.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. And I declare him duly elected. Next in order is nominations for junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I rise to place in nomination the comrade who nominated himself for commander in chief from the platform, Comrade Stebbins.

Comrade RUSSELL C. MARTIN, of California and Nevada. I wish to place in nomination Comrade Charles B. Wilson, of the Department of California and Nevada, who served four years in the Army, and has served 52 years in the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade A. G. BEATTY, of Iowa. We take great pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade Wilson for junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade ISAAC W. HIGGS, of Alabama. Alabama wishes to place before this encampment the name of a man who was born in the South, and at the age of 17, as soon as his Government would receive him, placed his life on the altar of his country to help keep Old Glory floating over an undivided Republic. He is a man of fine physique, a man of intelligence, and a man whom his department is delighted to honor. I have the pleasure of putting in nomination Ephraim F. Quinn, past department commander of the Department of Alabama. You will make no mistake if you select him.

Comrade ABE L. VAN OSDEL, of South Dakota. I take pleasure in seconding the nomination.

Comrade ASA CURL, of Colorado and Wyoming. I am instructed by the delegation from Colorado unanimously—we have given up every thing cheerfully and gracefully in regard to location. We voted for it and we didn't get it, I suppose. But in our midst we have a soldier who was born in New York, served in a Wisconsin regiment, and who is a first-class everyday G. A. R. man. We know him. He has been one of our department officers I don't know for how many years, and we take pride in presenting him. We presented him out at Portland last year and he came very near being elected. But divide this thing up. We live just on the divide between the West and the East. So we would name as our candidate from Colorado and Wyoming, William Butler, of Longmont.

Comrade S. C. WADE, of Georgia and South Carolina. Commander in Chief, I have just got a few minutes to state to you that we have a purpose, and although we want a man for that purpose we have got it. We have in the South, as I am past commander of Georgia and South Carolina, an obligation to perform that you are all back of. The only trouble is it is a good ways from this country down there and you forget hundreds of thousands of boys that lie there. You forget that your Memorial Day is 30 or 40 days later than our flowers. You forget you have to travel all over the country to find flowers; but we do it. I want to put a man in nomination that has been doing it for the last 30 years. Every grave in our province is covered with blossoms and flowers. If we don't get the money from somewhere else we



dig it up. We send out all over the country so there will be flowers enough to cover those graves. In our own place in Marietta we have 14,000 boys from every State almost in the Union. We have there many more from almost every State in the Union. Commander, we have got somebody to do that, and I am nominating that man, Frank A. Jones, of Tallapoosa, Ga. He will take charge of it and do this business. For Heaven's sake, give him a chance that it may be done legally through our great order.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any further nominations? Nominations will be closed unless objected to.

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I represent a vote in the Department of California and Nevada. We have 17 delegates and about nine commanders present. Eleven of those delegates and two of those commanders have instructed me to second the nomination of Comrade Jones of Georgia. My reason for that is this, we will have a candidate for chaplain in chief in the Department of California——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade, your time is up. Please take your seat.

Comrade LE VANT DODGE, of Kentucky. This is a free-for-all fight. We are speaking as men and not as departments. I submit to you that a man who dares to show himself on the platform of this encampment is not to be despised. Therefore Comrade Stebbins got off the best joke of this encampment, but you can see by looking at him what many of us know from long acquaintance, that he is amply fitted in character, in earnestness, and in ability for any office which we have at our disposal. It is but fitting that we give him the office of junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade RUSSELL C. MARTIN, of California and Nevada. I wish to say, comrades, here, that California and Nevada has got a candidate of its own, Comrade Wilson, a man who served four years in the Army, and one who has been 52 years a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. And we have votes—if we wanted to say how many votes there were, we have got 15 votes for him and 4 for Comrade Jones, of Georgia. We are supporting Comrade Wilson and we are not supporting Comrade Jones. Not at all, and we want it distinctly understood.

Past Commander in Chief LEO RASSIEUR. The Department of Missouri has instructed me to say that any defection in California, as far as Comrade Wilson is concerned, will be made good by the unanimous vote of Missouri. We know him. His character is way above question. His ability is good. It can not be questioned. He served the Department of Illinois for years and years, and I believe he is one of the best men in the Grand Army.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. I desire to say that Comrade Wilson, of California, has been many years an active, energetic member of the Grand Army of the Republic; that during my administration as commander in chief he was a member of the executive committee, and I found him one of the most valuable men upon that whole committee. He is a business man; he is a Grand Army man. I know him to be an honest man, and he is entitled to an election at the hands of this encampment. California is entitled to a representation among the national officers, it not having had a representation for many, many years. I care nothing for the defection,

for the minority of the delegation from California. I believe in standing by the majority. That is the rule of the Republic—stand by the majority, and therefore I, from Connecticut, am voicing the sentiment of Connecticut, and I ask you to vote as Connecticut will vote, for Wilson for junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. Comrade Wilson has only been a member of the Department of California for 4 years, and we have a candidate here for chaplain in chief that has been with us for 20 years. He has not attended 50 encampments, but he has attended 500 post meetings, and he is entitled to consideration.

Comrade EPHRAIM F. QUINN, of Alabama. I wish to state to this encampment that I believe that it has been the rule that the junior vice commander should be selected from the South. I am a Southern man, born in Tennessee and enlisted in Missouri. For the last 27 years I have lived in Birmingham, Ala. We are neighbors to the State of Georgia. Georgia has a candidate, and I now wish to withdraw my candidacy in favor of Comrade Jones, of Georgia. Alabama is few in numbers, but we are big in enthusiasm. We expect that you will hear from us again one year from now.

Comrade GEORGE D. KELLOGG, of California and Nevada. Being from California myself and knowing the competency of Comrade Wilson, I want to say emphatically that California is in favor of Comrade Wilson.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The candidates are Wilson, of California; Jones, of Georgia; Butler, of Colorado; and Stebbins, of Virginia.

(Comrades Ira R. Wildman, of Connecticut, and Henry C. Cooke, of Illinois were appointed tellers by the commander in chief.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You can only vote those who are present and in their seats. Be careful now.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. The candidates are Stebbins, of Virginia and North Carolina; Wilson, of California and Nevada; Butler, of Colorado and Wyoming; and Jones, of Georgia and South Carolina.

(The roll of departments was then called by the adjutant general for the purpose of receiving the vote on junior vice commander in chief, with the following result:)

Department.	Wilson.	Stebbins.	Butler.	Jones.
Alabama.....				10
Arizona.....				
Arkansas.....				10
California and Nevada.....	15			4
Colorado and Wyoming.....			14	
Connecticut.....	6			
Delaware.....				2
Florida.....	8			
Georgia and South Carolina.....				10
Idaho.....		12		
Illinois.....	4			7
Indiana.....	8	1		7
Iowa.....	25			



Department.	Wilson.	Stebbins.	Butler.	Jones.
Kansas <sup>1 3</sup>	1			9
Kentucky		1		12
Louisiana and Mississippi	6			
Maine	7			
Maryland	2		1	10
Massachusetts	9			7
Michigan	4			
Minnesota	5			6
Missouri	10			
Montana	11			
Nebraska	2			3
New Hampshire	11			
New Jersey				22
New Mexico				
New York	15			20
North Dakota	2			10
Ohio	11			5
Oklahoma <sup>2</sup>				3
Oregon				3
Pennsylvania	10			10
Potomac	3		2	6
Rhode Island				11
South Dakota	15			
Tennessee				4
Texas				1
Utah	1			
Vermont				1
Virginia and North Carolina		5		
Washington and Alaska	6			
West Virginia				1
Wisconsin	3			4
On platform	10			3

<sup>1</sup> When Kansas was first called that department announced 15 votes for Wilson, and 15 votes for Jones. The following proceedings then occurred:

Comrade JOHN A. EHRHARDT, of Nebraska. Are we going to vote all our delegates?  
The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Just those present and in their seats.  
Comrade EHRHARDT. I would like to challenge the vote of Kansas, the 25 or 30 votes of Kansas, which have been cast. They haven't got the delegates present.

<sup>2</sup> When Oklahoma was called that department announced 2 votes for Wilson, 2 votes for Butler, and 21 votes for Jones. Whereupon the following proceedings were had:

Comrade WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, of Massachusetts. I request that that delegation be polled. They are casting 25 votes and only 3 present.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Make the announcement again.  
Comrade F. M. CLINE, of Oklahoma. Twenty-one for Jones; 2 for Butler; and 2 for Wilson.  
The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Oklahoma, poll your vote. Proceed with the call.  
The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Send up a list of your delegation.  
Comrade CLINE. I haven't a list here.  
Comrade WETHERBEE. There are three present.  
The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Proceed with the roll call.  
Comrade WETHERBEE. I rise to a point of order.  
Comrade GEORGE A. HOSLEY, of Massachusetts. I demand, Commander in Chief, that those delegates be lined up in front.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. Do I understand that there were 24 votes reported here from Oklahoma. I challenge the correctness of the vote and demand that the roll of Oklahoma be called.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If you would listen to what is said to you, I have ordered the Department of Oklahoma to poll their vote, now for the third time.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Send up your list of delegates.  
Comrade CLINE. I haven't a list of my delegates.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. There are only three persons here.  
The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I don't want to understand anything about that. We are calling the roll.

(Whereupon the roll of the delegates from Oklahoma was called by the adjutant general, and Comrades F. M. Cline, E. G. Platts, and W. H. Hornaday found to be present in the encampment, each of whom cast his vote for Comrade Jones, and by direction of the commander in chief the tellers entered the vote of the Department of Oklahoma accordingly.)

<sup>3</sup> Immediately thereafter, the following proceedings occurred:  
Comrade A. C. SHAFFER, of Florida. I arise to challenge the vote of Kansas. They cast 30 votes for junior vice commander in chief, when there were about 6 present.

(Whereupon the Department of Kansas changed its vote as already announced, casting 1 vote for Wilson and 9 votes for Jones.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the next election in order is surgeon general.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in Chief and comrades: The comrades of the Department of Oregon request me to place in nomination for surgeon general, Comrade Joseph E. Hall, of Portland. He was a Pennsylvania soldier, has been commander of a post in Pennsylvania, has been commander of his post in Oregon, a department commander, and medical director for many years. Oregon demands nothing. She does not ask you to elect Comrade Hall in payment of any debt, but the hearts of the comrades of Oregon would be gladdened if you will elect Comrade Hall surgeon general, and I guarantee that if elected he will discharge the duties of that office to his own credit and to the satisfaction and glory of the national organization.

Past Commander in Chief ORLANDO A. SOMERS. In behalf of the Department of Indiana I desire to present the name of Stephen I. Brown for surgeon general. Brown entered the Army at the age of 16 and served to the close of the war. He was the youngest son of a family of four, all of whom served during the war. He is a good Grand Army man. He has served the Department of Indiana acceptably as medical director for a number of years. He will dignify the position of surgeon general and he will honor it, and Indiana will be honored by his election. I ask you to vote for Stephen I. Brown, of Indiana.

Comrade SMITH STIMMEL, of North Dakota. The Department of North Dakota places before this encampment Dr. H. J. Rowe for surgeon general. All the good things that have been said about the other candidates that have been presented can be said of Comrade Rowe. In fact, we are all good fellows. Now, North Dakota is a small department in a big State. We need some representation there to help us out, and we will be glad if you would vote for Comrade Dr. H. J. Rowe for surgeon general.

Comrade JAMES R. GOSS, of Montana. Montana has no candidate of its own for this office, but I rise to second the nomination of Comrade Brown.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there are no other nominations the nominations will be closed. The candidates before you are Joseph E. Hall, Stephen I. Brown, and H. J. Rowe. The roll will be called and you will announce your decision.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. Will you state to the members of the encampment that only those present and in their seats can vote?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I have stated that a dozen times already, but I will state it again. You will now listen to the result of the first ballot on junior vice commander in chief.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Total number of votes cast, 456; of which Comrade Wilson receives 210, Comrade Stebbins 19, Comrade Butler 17, and Comrade Jones 210. Necessary to a choice 229; therefore no election.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Repeat the roll call. Comrades, I trust we have had sufficient exhibition so that you will not attempt to vote more than there are in the seats. Comrades, vote the number that you have got in your seats and then we will have no more trouble of this kind.



(The roll of departments was again called by the adjutant general for the office of junior vice commander in chief, resulting as follows:)

Department.	Wilson.	Jones.
Alabama.....		7
Arizona.....		
Arkansas.....		2
California and Nevada <sup>1</sup> .....	15	4
Colorado and Wyoming.....		10
Connecticut.....	6	
Delaware.....		1
Florida.....	7	
Georgia and South Carolina.....		10
Idaho.....		5
Illinois.....	5	6
Indiana.....	14	
Iowa.....	21	
Kansas.....	1	9
Kentucky.....		5
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	6	
Maine.....		
Maryland.....	2	8
Massachusetts.....	11	5
Michigan.....	4	
Minnesota.....	3	9
Missouri.....	9	
Montana.....	7	
Nebraska.....		1
New Hampshire.....		
New Jersey.....		7
New Mexico.....		
New York.....	15	20
North Dakota.....		9
Ohio.....	15	
Oklahoma.....		3
Oregon.....		
Pennsylvania.....		16
Potomac.....	2	7
Rhode Island.....		4
South Dakota.....	7	
Tennessee.....		
Texas.....		
Utah.....	2	1
Vermont.....	1	
Virginia and North Carolina.....	2	1
Washington and Alaska.....	6	
West Virginia.....		1
Wisconsin.....	2	5
On platform.....	8	4

<sup>1</sup> Comrade JOHN H. ROBERTS, of California and Nevada. I demand that the vote of California and Nevada be polled.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you will hear the decision.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Total number of votes cast 321, of which Comrade Wilson has 171 and Comrade Jones has 150.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Wilson is your choice for junior vice commander. We will now vote on surgeon general. The candidates are Joseph E. Hall, of Oregon; Stephen I. Brown, of Indiana; and H. J. Rowe, of North Dakota.

(The roll of departments was then called by the adjutant general, and the following votes announced for surgeon general:)

Department.	Hall.	Brown.	Rowe.
Alabama.....			
Arizona.....			
Arkansas.....		2	
California and Nevada.....		17	
Colorado and Wyoming.....	6		
Connecticut.....			
Delaware.....			
Florida.....		7	
Georgia and South Carolina.....		3	
Idaho.....	2	3	
Illinois.....		13	
Indiana.....		15	
Iowa.....	8	8	8
Kansas.....		9	
Kentucky.....	2		
Louisiana and Mississippi.....		6	
Maine.....			
Maryland.....		9	
Massachusetts.....			17
Michigan.....		4	
Minnesota.....			9
Missouri.....	9		
Montana.....		7	
Nebraska.....	1		
New Hampshire.....			
New Jersey.....		7	
New Mexico.....			
New York.....		36	
North Dakota.....			9
Ohio.....		15	
Oklahoma.....	3		
Oregon.....			
Pennsylvania.....		16	
Potomac.....		8	
Rhode Island.....		3	
South Dakota.....			7
Tennessee.....			
Texas.....			
Utah.....			
Vermont.....		1	
Virginia and North Carolina.....		3	
Washington and Alaska.....		6	
West Virginia.....		1	
Wisconsin.....		7	
On platform.....	6	10	

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you can proceed to nominations for chaplain in chief.

Comrade JOHN A. EHRHARDT, of Nebraska. I move that there be no further nominating speeches made, and that the comrades be placed in nomination by name only.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I didn't get your motion.

Comrade EHRHARDT. I want to cut off all nominating speeches.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That will be the order, a simple announcement of the name.



Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa. I am directed by the Iowa delegation to place in nomination Comrade Gist, of Iowa, to do your praying for you. If you wish to confine me to a simple naming of the nominee, well and good. But I desire to say that this comrade enlisted at the age of 15—— [Cries of "No speeches."]

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. He is out of order.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. He is in order.

Comrade WILLETT. The commander in chief said I was in order. I will not detain you a minute. He got in in time to get into the Atlanta campaign and served for the remainder of the war. He is an educator and gentleman. He lived in the great State of Ohio for 32 years and has resided with us for 38 years, in the land of corn, hog, and hominy.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I move you that the nominations be closed and that the rules be suspended and the adjutant general be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment for the comrade.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is that the nominations be closed, and that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade W. W. Gist, of Iowa, for chaplain in chief. Those in favor will say, aye. Those opposed will say, no. It is carried.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. The entire vote of this encampment, according to your instructions, is cast for Comrade Gist for chaplain in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I declare him duly elected.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. Comrades, there is a vacancy or will be a vacancy after this encampment in the board of trustees of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is necessary to elect some one to fill that position. Comrade W. J. Patterson, of Pennsylvania, has occupied the office for the past three years. He is the treasurer of the board that has charge of the fund. You all know him and know him to be a thoroughly reliable man, and in his hands our funds are assured of safety. It is not a matter for contest. It is a matter of the proper man for the place, and so I desire to make a motion that we suspend the rules and instruct the adjutant general to cast one vote for Comrade W. J. Patterson to be trustee of the permanent fund for the term of three years.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, and unanimously carried.)

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. As I am directed, I cast the entire vote of this encampment for Comrade Patterson for member of the trustees of the permanent fund for the term of three years.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Patterson is elected a member of the trustees of the permanent fund for the term of three years. The council of administration comes next. Please read the list.

Whereupon the adjutant general read the following list of nominations made by the several departments for the council of administration:

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	Manoah Bostick.....	Birmingham.
Arizona.....	E. S. Godfrey.....	Cookstown, N. J.
Arkansas.....	Cos Altenberg.....	Little Rock.
California and Nevada.....	Wm. H. Noll.....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	O. S. Reed.....	Pueblo.
Connecticut.....	Harry L. Beach.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	Henry W. Hancock.....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	Silas Cooke.....	St. Cloud.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	G. E. Whitman.....	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Idaho.....	G. F. Kimery.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	John B. Inman.....	Springfield.
Indiana.....	David N. Foster.....	Fort Wayne.
Iowa.....	J. W. Willett.....	Tama.
Kansas.....	Geo. F. Pendarvis.....	Parsons.
Kentucky.....	Americus Whedon.....	Washington, D. C.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	E. K. Russ.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Edwin Riley.....	Livermore Falls.
Maryland.....	John A. Thompson.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Wilfred A. Wetherbee.....	Boston.
Michigan.....	H. A. Chapin.....	Lansing.
Minnesota.....	Philip G. Woodward.....	Anoka.
Missouri.....	John M. Williams.....	California.
Montana.....	George H. Taylor.....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	John A. Ehrhardt.....	Stanton.
New Hampshire.....	John R. Emerson.....	Dumbarton.
New Jersey.....	William O. Allen.....	Newark.
New Mexico.....	John Greenwald.....	Socorro.
New York.....	George A. Price.....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	Patrick H. Cummings.....	Fargo.
Ohio.....	John C. Roland.....	Cleveland.
Oklahoma.....	F. A. Brown.....	Shawnee.
Oregon.....	A. W. Gowan.....	Burns.
Pennsylvania.....	J. Andrew Wilt.....	Towanda.
Potomac.....	John Middleton.....	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	John A. Medbery.....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	T. C. De Jean.....	Plankinton.
Tennessee.....	Newton Hacker.....	Jonesboro.
Texas.....	H. W. Nye.....	Fort Worth.
Utah.....	H. W. Charter.....	Sandy.
Vermont.....	James Cummings.....	Orwell.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	H. W. Weiss.....	Emporia, Va.
Washington and Alaska.....	F. H. Hurd.....	Seattle.
West Virginia.....	E. A. Billingsly.....	Fairmont.
Wisconsin.....	H. R. Bird.....	Madison.

Comrade C. B. WILSON, of California and Nevada. I move that the rules be suspended and that the names as read by the adjutant general be elected as the council of administration.

(The motion was seconded by several comrades.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is made that the rules be suspended and that the names of the comrades as read be elected as the council of administration for the ensuing year.

(The motion prevailed.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Please announce the result on surgeon general.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Total number of votes cast, 303; necessary to a choice, 152; of which Hall received 37, Brown received 216, and Rowe received 50.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Brown is elected as surgeon general of this encampment. The newly elected commander in chief has an announcement to make.

Comrade JAMES D. BELL, of New York. All the announcement I want to make is this, that immediately after the adjournment of the encampment the council of administration will meet on the stage here—not at the hotel but here—and we will dispose of the business naturally coming before the council of administration as quickly as we can.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, now comes the installation of your officers. Comrade Torrance, past commander in chief, will act as installing officer. I want to surrender this gavel to Comrade Torrance and say to you I have still got gallons of gas left.

The INSTALLING OFFICER. The adjutant general will announce the names of the officers-elect, commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, junior vice commander in chief, surgeon general, and chaplain in chief.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Your officers elect are Comrades James D. Bell, commander in chief; D. M. Hall, senior vice commander in chief; Charles B. Wilson, junior vice commander in chief; Stephen I. Brown, surgeon general; and W. W. Gist, chaplain in chief.

The INSTALLING OFFICER. Comrades, it becomes my pleasant duty as senior past commander in chief to install you into the offices to which you have been elected. I have nothing to say to you because you are all veterans in the service of the Grand Army of the Republic. You understand your duties and obligations, and your purpose is to discharge faithfully all your obligations to the best of your ability.

(The following officers were then duly installed:)

Commander in Chief, James D. Bell, of New York.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Dan M. Hall, of Ohio.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Charles B. Wilson, of California and Nevada.

Surgeon General Stephen I. Brown, of Indiana.

Chaplain in Chief W. W. Gist, of Iowa.

The INSTALLING OFFICER. Now just a word. It is 31 years since the Grand Army of the Republic met in Columbus. We were then a great and strong organization as to members and vitality. The future stretched out before us and it seemed that it was a long way until the journey would end. Of the national officers who attended that encampment, not one is present on this occasion. Of the 54 officers, commanders in chief, senior and junior vice commanders in chief, all are in their honored graves with the exception of three. We will never meet as a Grand Army of the Republic in the city of Columbus again. When we set our faces homeward we will bid goodbye forever to this city and will carry with us only the happy memories that always cluster about our reception in these patriotic cities, and the happiness that we each receive and enjoy by reason of our communion with each other. There are not many left to witness this ceremony and before another year goes their places, some of them, may be vacant. The responsibilities that rest upon us as members of the Grand Army of the Republic are greater than ever before because we are fewer in numbers and the tasks that confront us are increasing rather than diminishing. It is like the old regiment that had campaigned and gone through one battle after another until its 1,000 men had been reduced to 300, and to 200, and finally to less than 100 men.

Then we clustered closer together and stood each one of us nearer the colors that we followed as soldiers. And so we must stand closer together now and redouble our faithfulness to the order and to its great principles, and I pledge for you, Commander in Chief Bell and those who have been elected to assist in the administration of our affairs for the next year—I pledge to you the cordial cooperation and the cordial friendship of these comrades.

May the Divine Father that has brought us from our childhood and from those distant happy homes from which we went into the service of our country and has protected us through all these long years, may the Divine Father overshadow you and all of us with His protecting wings and at last bring us into the great Encampment in the abodes of the blest.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. Comrade Bell, I take delight in placing upon your breast the rank of your office—four stars; I also hand you the gavel, the emblem of your authority. Comrades, your Commander in Chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF (James D. Bell). Comrade Torrance, to you I give my thanks for the installation, and I give double thanks to Commander in Chief Adams for making me a present of the badge. Heretofore I have sent to headquarters my contribution for them. This I understand I get as a token from you comrades. The gavel I shall try to keep, and I hope not to have to use it so much as it had to be used today. But if it is necessary to use it, why we will probably proceed to use it.

The INSTALLING OFFICER. Have you any appointments to announce?

The commander in chief announced the following appointments, and the comrades named were duly installed into the respective offices:

Adjutant general, Isidore Isaacs, of New York.

Quartermaster general, Cola D. R. Stowits, of New York.

Assistant quartermaster general, J. Henry Holcomb, of Pennsylvania.

Judge advocate general, William A. Ketcham, of Indiana.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. I have had placed upon the desk a sack of buckeyes. I want to share them with my administration, and with your administration, Commander in Chief and then we will all be Buckeyes.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Give them all away. Comrades, we have a little business to do. Be seated.

Past Commander in Chief ALFRED B. BEERS. I desire to offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the council of administration be, and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to procure a suitable testimonial for presentation to Past Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams in recognition and appreciation of his valuable services as commander in chief.

I ask that a vote may be taken by rising.

Comrade DAN M. HALL, of Ohio. I move the adoption of the resolution.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, and adopted by the unanimous rising vote of the encampment.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to say a word before we separate, and if you will listen I promise that it won't be long.

Ulysses S. Grant was born at Point Pleasant, Ohio, April 27, 1822. His centenary will therefore be reached April 27, 1922, about two and one-half years from this time. That event should be appropriately



celebrated, and not a moment should be lost in making preparations for such celebration.

The greatest possession a nation has is the memory of its great men. Gen. Grant was one of the greatest of Americans. He was the successful leader of the Union Army in suppressing the rebellion. He remains the greatest soldier produced by our Nation. He was the most considerate and magnanimous of conquerors, while at the same time the most persistent and relentless of fighters. He is the unique representative of the most exalted Americanism—love of peace and supreme aptitude for war. Without a tinge of militarism, he exhibited on every field the highest military qualities.

Aside from his military preeminence, Gen. Grant was a great civic character. He was a lover of justice and of truth, and he always had the courage of his convictions. He was pure in word and deed. He never swore, and no obscene word ever passed his lips. He was tried in the furnace of disappointments and losses and his pleading face for many years showed traces of his struggles with adversity. His domestic life was pure and simple, and he was a model husband and father, and it is significant that on the approach of death he surrendered his ambition to be buried at West Point because his faithful wife could not be buried there, and she reposes in death at his side in the magnificent tomb on Riverside Drive, New York City, the erection of which was due mainly to the efforts of our distinguished comrade, Gen. Horace Porter, who thus gave a striking proof of his gratitude for the friendship of Gen. Grant.

We who followed this great general, who believed in him and who still believe in him, should take some action in relation to his centenary that will tend to keep his memory and character a living force.

I therefore recommend that the commander in chief be authorized to appoint a committee to make suitable preparations for celebrating the centenary of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant on April 22, 1922, with directions to report from time to time to the commander in chief and the national encampment. I have not suggested the number of the committee, because at this moment the number can not be fixed without possible detriment to the object for which it is appointed.

I submit this matter for your consideration, comrades.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. I move that it be received and the recommendation approved.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are you ready for the question? All in favor of the adoption of the resolution of Comrade Torrance will signify the same by saying aye. Contrary, no. The ayes have it and the motion is adopted unanimously. I will take great pleasure as the very first duty of my administration to take up this matter and make the appointment of the committee.

Now if there is nothing further before the encampment, we will have the chaplain invoke the Divine blessing.

Chaplain in Chief W. W. GIST. May the blessings of Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the ever blessed Spirit rest upon and abide with us evermore. Amen.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I now declare this the Fifty-third National Encampment closed without form, and I ask all members of the council of administration to immediately come to the platform for a meeting. (2:10 p. m.)

# MINUTES NEW COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

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## MINUTES OF MEETING OF NEW NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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HELD FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1919, AT 2.15 P. M., AT MEMORIAL  
HALL, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

The new council of administration met at 2.15 p.m., immediately after the adjournment of the encampment, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief.

The roll was called and the following members of the council found to be present:

Commander in Chief James D. Bell, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Adj't. Gen. Isidore Isaacs, New York City.  
Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
Comrade Manoah Bostick, of Alabama.  
Comrade E. S. Godfrey, of Arizona.  
Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.  
Comrade Wm. H. Noll, of California and Nevada.  
Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut.  
Comrade Silas Cooke, of Florida.  
Comrade G. E. Whitman, of Georgia and South Carolina.  
Comrade G. F. Kimery, of Idaho.  
Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.  
Comrade David N. Foster, of Indiana.  
Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.  
Comrade George F. Pendarvis, of Kansas.  
Comrade Americus Whedon, of Kentucky.  
Comrade Wilfred A. Wetherbee, of Massachusetts.  
Comrade Philip G. Woodward, of Minnesota.  
Comrade John A. Ehrhardt, of Nebraska.  
Comrade William O. Allen, of New Jersey.  
Comrade John Greenwald, of New Mexico.  
Comrade George A. Price, of New York.  
Comrade John C. Roland, of Ohio.  
Comrade F. A. Brown, of Oklahoma.  
Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.  
Comrade John A. Medbery, of Rhode Island.  
Comrade T. C. DeJean, of South Dakota.  
Comrade F. H. Hurd, of Washington and Alaska.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I shall rule that a quorum is present. We are ready to proceed to business. I suppose the first thing is to fix the membership of the executive committee. What is your pleasure?



Comrade WILLETT. I will offer this resolution, which is a little bit stereotyped but covers it:

*Resolved*, That the executive committee of the council of administration shall consist of the commander in chief, the senior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and seven members to be appointed by the commander in chief from the council of administration.

Comrade ALTENBERG. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the resolution read by Judge Willett be adopted. Are you ready for the question? All you that favor the adoption of the resolution signify the same by saying, aye. Contrary, no. It is adopted unanimously.

Comrade INMAN. I have the honor to introduce the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief be authorized to draw on the quartermaster general for the sum of \$1,800, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to pay actual traveling expenses; that the salary of the adjutant general be fixed at \$1,200 per year; that the salary of the quartermaster general be fixed at \$500 per year; that the bond of the adjutant general be fixed in the sum of \$1,000, and the bond of the quartermaster general be fixed in the sum of \$5,000, to be executed by surety companies and the expense thereof to be borne by the national encampment; and that the salary of the custodian of records be fixed at \$300 for the ensuing year.

I have the honor to recommend the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade PRICE. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the reading of the resolution.

Comrade DEJEAN. I am somewhat ignorant as to what should be done. I don't know what they have been doing before. If we had something to compare it with, for instance, the salaries paid heretofore, I would know something about whether we are voting for the right thing or not.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Don't you read the Journal of the National Encampment?

Comrade DEJEAN. Sometimes.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Because if you did you would find that that is about the usual thing, in my time. The adjutant general has been paid at this rate for several years.

Comrade DEJEAN. That is all the assurance I want.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I take it that none of them are going to get away with much if I can prevent it. Are you ready for the question?

Comrade WILT. I think the only change is one that we made many years ago. We are giving the quartermaster I think \$100 more than we did last year. We ought to make it a good deal more but we can't afford it.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. No.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption of the resolution. Those who favor it will say, aye. Those opposed, no. It is adopted unanimously.

Comrade PRICE. I offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief is hereby authorized to employ a secretary at national headquarters at such price as he may deem necessary, and not to exceed \$1,800.

I move the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade FOSTER. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is precisely the amount that is being paid at the present time. I tell you very frankly I am an economist, and if I can do that any cheaper I will. Are you ready for the question? All in favor of the adoption of the resolution will say, aye. Those opposed, no. The motion is adopted unanimously. That comes pretty near exhausting what I think is to come before us.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Can you state where headquarters will be?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Room 12, Borough Hall, Brooklyn.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Commander in Chief, I move that the compensation for the reporter be made in the sum of \$200. That is the usual figure. That is for the next encampment.

(The motion was duly seconded by several comrades.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that \$200 be provided for reporting the next encampment. All in favor of the adoption of the motion signify the same by saying, aye. Contrary, no. The ayes have it and the motion is adopted.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. The Journal must be edited and I would make the motion that we appropriate the sum of \$200 for the editing of the Journal.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is for the last adjutant general.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. That is for the last adjutant general.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. Are you ready for the question? All in favor of the adoption of the motion will signify by saying, aye. Contrary, no. The motion is carried.

Comrade EHRHARDT. I move that we adjourn.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that we do now adjourn. Before we do that I want to thank you all for your promptness in coming here. I am glad to see you all, and I hope to see more of you in the future.

As many as favor the motion that we now adjourn will manifest it by saying, aye. Those opposed, no. It is carried.

(Whereupon, at 2.25 p. m., the meeting stood adjourned.)





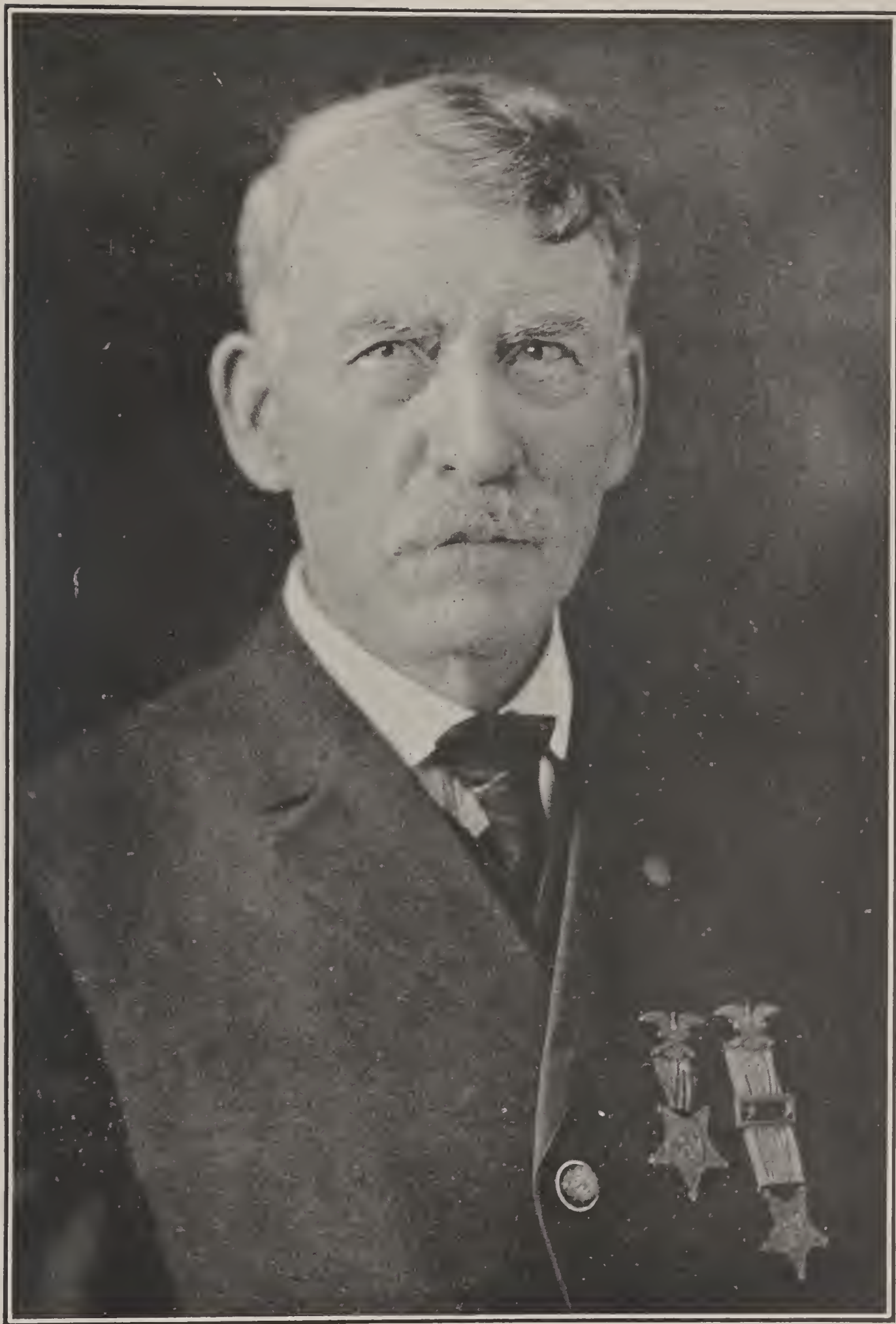
# REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND OF COMMITTEES

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J. G. CHAMBERS,  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief.





CHARLES H. HABER,  
Junior Vice Commander in Chief.

## REPORT OF THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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PORTLAND, OREG., *July 23, 1919.*

TO THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, G. A. R., AND COMRADES:

Complying with the requirements of our rules and regulations, I herewith submit the following report:

One year ago by your suffrage I was elected to the second place of distinction within your province to bestow upon a comrade. This mark of honor will ever dwell in my heart as the culmination of the highest honor I could hope for. I have had many posts of honor conferred upon me, but nothing to compare with this. I have endeavored to bear this distinction with as modest deportment as I could command. I am sure my comrades will remember me with kindness, and temper their criticisms with charity.

The past year has been filled with stirring events, never before witnessed in the history of the world. The World War was won and brought to a just conclusion by the patriotism and valor of the American spirit, born in the dark days of the American Revolution, by your and my ancestors. This love of liberty and country has been transmitted down through the generations since the landing of our fathers on the bleak New England shores. The great struggle of 1776 to 1785 only strengthened this spirit. That crisis brought forth a nation of unselfish patriots, whose highest thought was liberty to the oppressed. In the formation of their ideas into law many compromises were made to bring together extremists of opposing factions. The Constitution made was not what all desired; but it served to hold the people to an observance of its requirements until extremists again arose in different sections of the country, one faction insisting upon the rights of the people guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States, the other faction as earnestly contending that the Constitution altogether as understood by them supported them in their interpretation of the document. Discussions in many instances resulted in violence and bloodshed. Compromise after compromise was entered into without satisfactory results, excitement ran riot until the man of destiny arose in his wisdom and patriotism and explained to the Nation what the Constitution meant. Then the people, inspired by this man's intelligent wisdom patriotically espoused the cause, with the result that in November, 1860, this great man, Abraham Lincoln, was called forth to lead the Nation out of delusion and bondage to the high plane of American liberty as enunciated in the Constitution of the United States.

The crisis was on and two and one-half millions of men arose in the spirit of patriotism, rallied to the cause of freedom and preservation of the Union. So it was, comrades, the red blood of your ancestors was quickened to action, and you went forward to do and die for freedom's cause. The struggle was long and heroic, but under the di-



rection of God's anointed—the great and good Lincoln—we achieved, and preserved the Union. So we have grown to be the greatest Nation on the earth. We have prospered financially, morally, and socially. It is true that troubles have arisen, but we have always been fortunate in a man equal to the occasion. The pure-minded McKinley was the instrument under Divine Providence to give freedom to the Cubans and Philipppines.

In all of the crises through which we have passed there has always been patriotism and personality concentrated in our great American intellect to lead the cause to just and satisfactory results. In the greatest war of the world's history, which has been contested on a thousand battlefields, the American soldier fulfilled to the most sanguine expectation of the great minds of, not only America, but the nations of the world, including the boasted invincible and unconquerable Hun.

So then, comrades, let us take new hope that in the future, our country's interests will be perfectly safe in the hands of our descendants; that North and South, East and West there is the same united spirit for love of our institutions, that sectional lines are unknown when the emergency arises and defensive measures are needed; the same enthusiasm so forcibly displayed by you and me when we responded to the call and answered, 1,000,000 men or more. Now, my comrades, when the sunset is almost here, when the march is almost ended, when the last bugle call can almost be heard, when the last campfire is darkened, let us rest contented that all is well. And "like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him, lies down to pleasant dreams."

Fraternally,

J. G. CHAMBERS,  
*Senior Vice Commander in Chief.*

## REPORT OF THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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NATIONAL SOLDIER'S HOME, VA., *July 22, 1919.*

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic,  
Lincoln, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: In accordance with your request, and in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I tender my report as junior vice commander in chief.

I regret very much that on account of sickness I was unable to render the commander in chief and comrades an extended service. However, being here on the grounds of United States Army General Hospital No. 43 (formerly the Southern Branch, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers) I have had the opportunity and the pleasure of assisting in the entertainment of our soldier boys of the recent war, who have passed through this hospital from duty overseas. In this work I am still taking an active part, whenever able.

My dear comrades, I want to thank you for the honor conferred upon me at the Fifty-Second National Encampment, at Portland, Oreg.

Sincerely, yours in F., C. and L.,

CHAS. H. HABER,  
*Junior Vice Commander in Chief.*



## REPORT OF THE SURGEON GENERAL.

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BURLINGTON, VT., *July 24, 1919.*

A. M. TRIMBLE,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic,  
Lincoln, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: In accordance with the usual custom, I have the honor to submit my report as surgeon general of the Grand Army of the Republic.

After my election, I cast about me to find some duty or duties that I was expected to perform, and after corresponding with the adjutant general, I learned that my duties were simply of an honorary character and consisted of merely drawing my salary and appearing as best man in the parade.

It has been my privilege to visit in the past few years, several of the soldiers' homes and it occurred to me that the post surgeons and the department medical directors could render some valuable service by visiting the homes in their respective departments, and by counseling with the officers of these homes, to the end of bettering the conditions, and they could give such aid as would render the greatest happiness and comfort to those old veterans who are compelled to resort to the soldiers' home for the want of some kind and loving relative to care for them.

I also would recommend that rooms should be provided at these homes where an old veteran and his wife could go and live together in comfort. I would surely protest against the rule of some of the States which require the veteran to pay a certain portion of his pension towards the upkeep of the home.

I wish to express my appreciation of my election to the high office of surgeon general, and to thank Adj. Gen. Trimble for his kindness and courtesy shown me during my term of office.

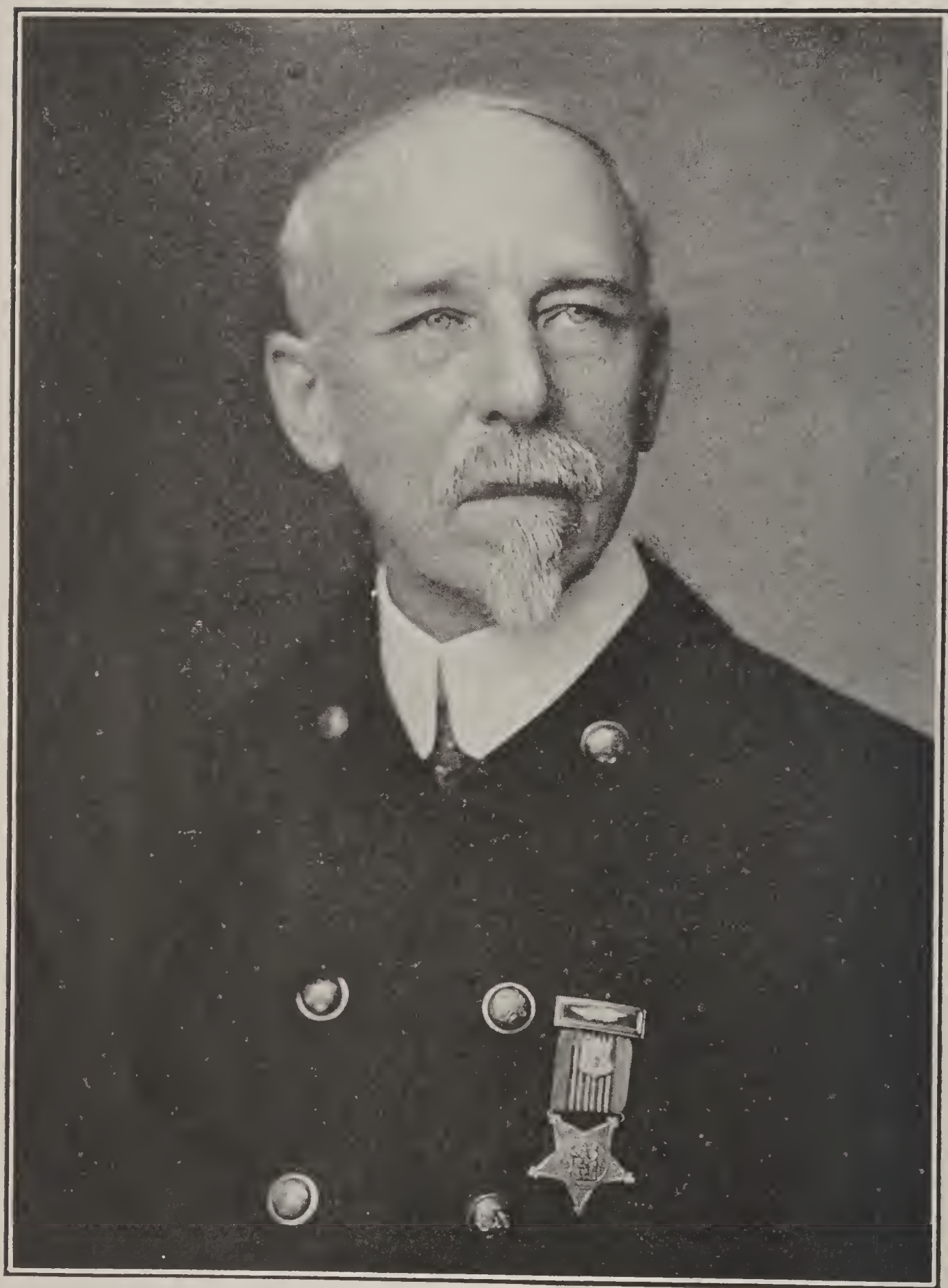
Fraternally, yours,

C. M. FERRIN,  
*Surgeon General.*



C. M. FERRIN,  
Surgeon General.





PHILIP A. NORDELL,  
Chaplain in Chief.

REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF.

BOSTON, MASS., July 30, 1919.

Comrade ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lincoln, Nebr.

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: With sincere and grateful appreciation of the unsought and unexpected honor conferred upon me by the National Encampment at Portland, Oreg., in electing me chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, I present herewith my report as gathered from communications sent to me by the department chaplains. The honor has been heavy; the work has been light; the salary, month by month—well, we'll say nothing about that. Is it not a blessing that much of the work one is permitted to do in this world has its impelling motive and great reward, not in sordid cash, but in a pure and unselfish love of the work itself?

To the department chaplains, my faithful coworkers in the religious activities of the Grand Army, I also owe a word of grateful appreciation. In gathering the material for this report from the post chaplains, they have borne the brunt of the work. This report is simply the apex that tops a great pyramid of generous toil.

After tabulating the facts presented in the reports of the department chaplains, it would be easy to give a summary of the answers to the 30 questions in the blanks sent out to them. Such a summary, so far from being informing, might be misleading. When we consider that less than 50 per cent of the post chaplains reported to the department chaplains; that only 33 out of 44 of the latter, at the writing of this report, have reported to the chaplain in chief; that, with two exceptions, all these reports are incomplete; and that in numerous instances the figures given are obviously conjectural, one is tempted to ask whether any confidence can attach to them. Extraordinary successions of even hundreds and thousands awaken suspicion. It is only fair to state that most of the department chaplains deplore the small number and incompleteness of the reports received by them.

Does it follow that this laborious array of figures must be entirely discredited? By no means. Grant that they represent only half of the facts, yet they suggest what the other half may be. As such, the following summary may possess some interest:

Number of posts in departments.....	3, 912
Number of posts reporting memorial services.....	1, 635

MEMORIAL SUNDAY SERVICES.

Number of posts attending services.....	1, 665
Number of sermons preached to posts.....	1, 579
Number of sermons preached by veterans.....	96
Number of sermons preached by Sons of Veterans.....	283
Number of comrades present at such services.....	22, 942



Number of Woman's Relief Corps participating with posts at such services..	578
Number of members of Woman's Relief Corps attending such services.....	16, 916
Number of camps of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	267
Number of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	7, 005
Number of tents of Daughters of Veterans attending such services.....	53
Number of Daughters of Veterans attending such services.....	1, 569

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES.

Number of posts observing Memorial Day services.....	1, 687
Number of comrades participating in Memorial Day services.....	32, 965
Number of Woman's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day services...	531
Number of members of Woman's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day services.....	20, 590
Number of Camps of Sons of Veterans participating in Memorial Day services.....	176
Number of Sons of Veterans participating.....	5, 156
Number of tents of Daughters of Veterans participating .....	120
Number of Daughters of Veterans participating.....	3, 085
Number of cemeteries in which graves were decorated.....	7, 507
Number of graves decorated.....	432, 998
Number of graves unmarked by headstones.....	9, 062
Number of public schools engaging in Memorial Day services.....	3, 814
Number of pupils participating.....	383, 064
Number of other organizations participating.....	3, 039
Number of addresses delivered to posts on Memorial Day.....	1, 344
Number of addresses delivered by veterans.....	143
Number of addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans.....	220
Number of posts having burial plots.....	699

In these reports there are details that must approximate closely to correctness. When we are told, for instance, that Post No. 14 at Fitzgerald, Ga., decorated 13,793 graves in the cemetery at Andersonville, every comrade who contributed to the Southern memorial fund must feel thankful that he was permitted to assist these comrades in the Southland to carry so heavy a burden, and that the graves of these martyrs, done to death by a typical Hun, are not forgotten.

When departments report large figures for graves decorated, it must be remembered that in many cases the magnitude of the number is due to the great national cemeteries situated in them. The great total of 432,998 graves reported as decorated may be only half the number so honored. It suggests the stupendous work done by the Grand Army of the Republic every Memorial Day.

In view of the increasing significance acquired each passing year on this day of sacred memories and tender services, it is not surprising to find in those reports repeated protests against the growing tendency to desecrate it by public games and frivolities. Grand Army men all over the country want this day held strictly to the purpose for which it was set apart. They view with intense disfavor the many attempts to degrade it into a boisterous holiday.

With the constantly decreasing number of those who instituted it, and who for half a century have held it to its original purpose, it may seem a hopeless task to resist the vast majority who want it secularized. May we not hope that for the boys who will have come back from the quarter of a million graves of comrades in Flanders and France, this day will acquire a significance it never had before the World War? May it not be that in coming years the American Legion on this day will merge its interests with those of the Grand Army of the Republic, in whose footsteps it wishes to tread?

It is interesting to note the different sentiments manifested in the South toward our Memorial Day. The department chaplain of Alabama deplors the lack of sympathy, since the majority of the people still cherish tender memories of the Lost Cause. On the contrary, Post No. 1 in Atlanta, Ga., mustering only 20 members in attendance on its exercises, was escorted by between 10,000 and 11,000 militia, the orator being a returned officer of the Great War. Post No. 12 at Hilton Head, S. C., with only 7 members, had about 3,000 school children in attendance, fine addresses and "the grandest Memorial Day that ever was."

Among those who delivered addresses on Memorial Day, Kansas had two grandsons of Civil War veterans. In Iowa one granddaughter performed a similar service. In that State, Memorial Day sermons were preached by three sons of Confederates—an indication of the absence of past bitterness.

The department chaplains can not blink the fact that the number of missing and imperfect reports is due to the increasing age and failing powers of the comrades. Undeniably, the longer we live, the older we grow. Happily, however, very few are resigning themselves to chanting "funeral marches to the grave." Many of the better preserved would gladly have enlisted again for some kind of service had the Government been willing to receive them. In lieu of that, many posts turned out to escort to the station each contingent of drafted men. The Grand Army has been foremost in welcoming the soldiers of the World War back.

In closing it may be proper to call the attention of the National Encampment to the condition of the pavilion at Andersonville. Comrade Darious Nelson, department chaplain of the Department of Georgia and South Carolina, speaks of "the roof as all rotted away, and the chairs, tables and other furniture going fast to ruin." He estimates that \$300 will put it in good repair. The building is owned by the Ladies of the G. A. R., who might be willing to take the matter in hand, if it were referred to them.

May the kind Providence that has watched over us and our splendid Order, these more than 50 years, still be our Guide and Strength, until the last comrade shall have entered the land where no shadow ever falls.

In ancient Israel the High Priest in blessing the people lifted his hand and said:

The Lord bless thee and keep thee;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee;  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

In like manner and in the same sublime words, your chaplain-in-chief, in closing his period of official service, would invoke the same blessing on all the comrades.

Fraternally yours,

PHILIP A. NORDELL,  
*Chaplain in Chief.*



REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

LINCOLN, NEBR., July 31, 1919.

Comrade CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
Commander in Chief, G. A. R.

MY DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: While presenting to you an account of our business transactions at national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic at Lincoln, Nebr., during the past year, I desire first to express to you my great appreciation for the honor you have accorded me in connection with your most successful administration.

After 47 years of Grand Army service, you have helped to make this the crowning year of my Grand Army life, and the most agreeable one. After 10 years' service as assistant adjutant general of our own department, everything, under your wise guidance, was made easy here. I am gratified also for the very agreeable manner in which we have been able to transact our business with all departments, without exception. I lay most of this blame, however, to your other staff officers and your secretary, with whom I have had to deal. They are all charming people, and I congratulate you on your good judgment in selecting them.

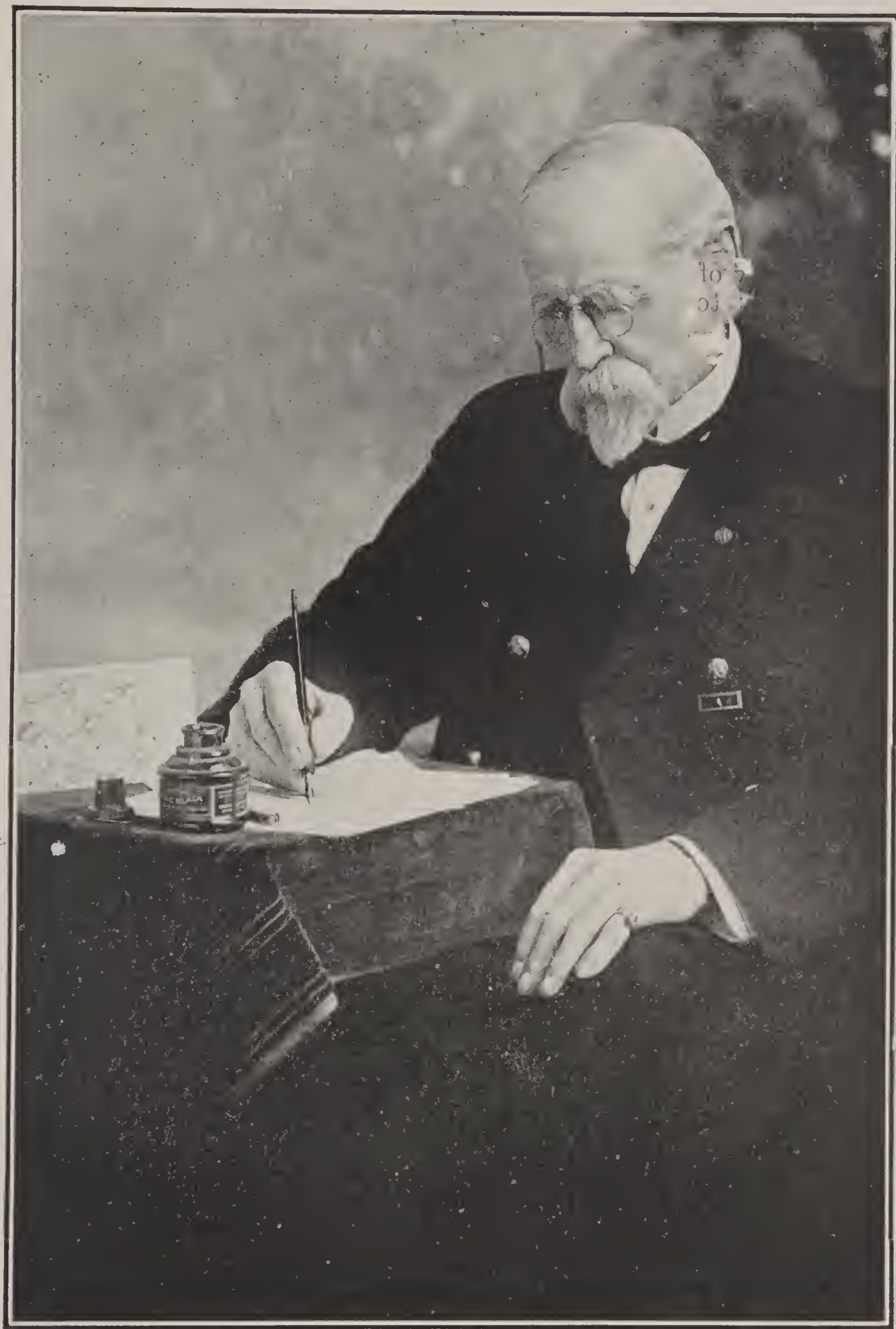
Accompanying you on your first eastern trip, which included Chicago, Pittsburgh, New York and Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Washington, D. C., and Columbus, Ohio, the distinguished people with whom I was put in touch made it most enjoyable.

The encampments of Missouri, Colorado and Wyoming, Nebraska, and Illinois, all of which I attended, were admitted to be, on account of the railroad rates granted you, the largest held for several years.

While we always look for, and do always have a falling-off in our membership, our report this year shows a loss by death of 9,798, against 11,553 last year, which gives us nearly 1 per cent less loss this year by death than last year. For further losses and conditions, see the statistical table which follows:

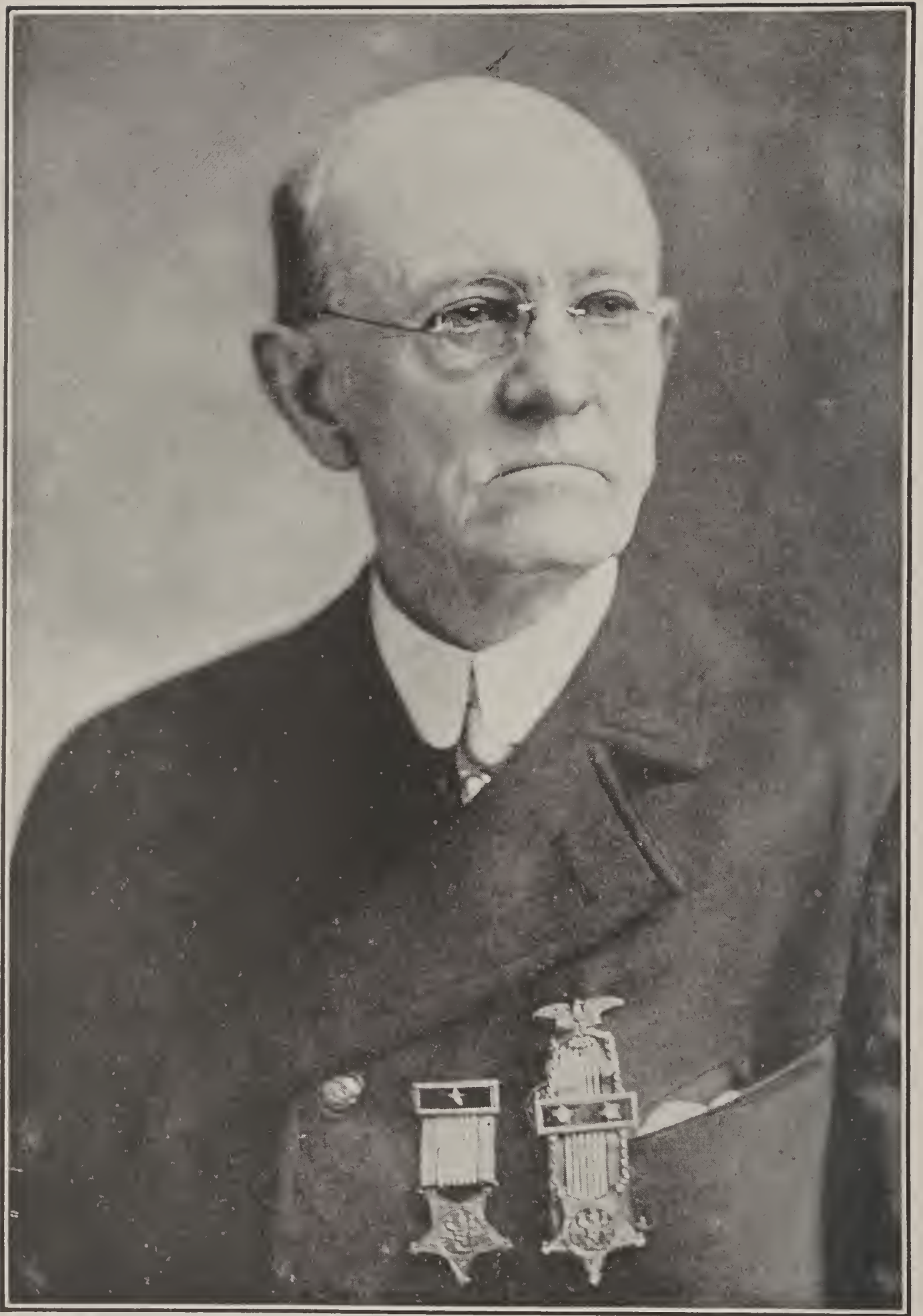
Consolidated returns of posts and membership, Grand Army of the Republic, showing gains and losses for year ending Dec. 31, 1918.

Departments.	Dec. 31, 1917.		Dec. 31, 1918.		Posts.		Members.	
	Posts.	Mem- bers.	Posts.	Mem- bers.	Gain.	Loss	Gain.	Loss.
Alabama.....	3	60	3	58	.....	.....	.....	2
Arizona.....	5	75	5	75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arkansas.....	7	163	7	174	.....	.....	11	.....
California and Nevada.....	95	5,050	94	4,660	.....	1	.....	390
Colorado and Wyoming.....	50	1,584	53	1,426	3	.....	.....	58
Connecticut.....	59	1,816	58	1,640	.....	1	.....	176
Delaware.....	16	284	16	259	.....	.....	.....	25



ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
Adjutant General.





GEORGE A. NEWMAN,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

*Consolidated returns of posts and membership, Grand Army of the Republic, showing gains and losses for year ending Dec. 31, 1918—Continued.*

Departments.	Dec. 31, 1917.		Dec. 31, 1918.		Posts.		Members.	
	Posts.	Mem- bers.	Posts.	Mem- bers.	Gain.	Loss.	Gain.	Loss.
Florida.....	20	663	21	634	1			29
Georgia and South Carolina.....	7	119	7	125			6	
Idaho.....	18	370	18	398			28	
Illinois.....	393	9,376	364	8,380		29		996
Indiana.....	249	7,250	240	6,620		9		630
Iowa.....	288	6,513	281	6,201		7		312
Kansas.....	257	6,084	244	5,664		13		420
Kentucky.....	50	620	52	604	2			16
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	22	276	18	211		4		65
Maine.....	119	2,243	110	2,016		9		227
Maryland.....	49	993	46	882		3		111
Massachusetts.....	200	7,483	197	6,597		3		886
Michigan.....	240	5,553	238	5,115		2		438
Minnesota.....	134	2,423	131	2,254		3		169
Missouri.....	147	3,183	145	3,054		2		129
Montana.....	14	276	14	281			5	
Nebraska.....	171	2,651	167	2,456		4		195
New Hampshire.....	68	1,227	67	1,107		1		120
New Jersey.....	94	2,310	91	2,019				291
New Mexico.....	8	95	8	92				3
New York.....	501	12,416	484	10,976		17		1,440
North Dakota.....	22	196	18	164		4		32
Ohio.....	478	12,456	439	11,453		39		1,003
Oklahoma.....	55	1,054	50	979		5		75
Oregon.....	62	1,721	62	1,768			47	
Pennsylvania.....	471	12,670	453	10,980		18		1,690
Potomac.....	12	963	12	863				100
Rhode Island.....	21	796	22	722	1			74
South Dakota.....	55	708	55	672				36
Tennessee.....	18	552	19	498	1			54
Texas.....	11	283	10	244		1		39
Utah.....	5	212	5	189				23
Vermont.....	85	1,405	83	1,272		2		133
Virginia and North Carolina.....	25	303	19	277		6		26
Washington and Alaska.....	65	2,215	78	2,269	3		54	
West Virginia.....	29	738	27	647		2		91
Wisconsin.....	165	3,588	173	3,382	8			206
Aggregate.....	4,863	120,916	4,704	110,357	29	188	151	10,710
Net loss.....						159		10,559

## RECAPITULATION.

Members in good standing Dec. 31, 1918.....	120,916
Gains:	
By muster.....	1,828
By transfer.....	1,036
By reinstatement.....	2,027
By reinstatement from delinquent reports.....	501
Total.....	5,392
Aggregate.....	126,308



Losses:	
By death.....	9, 798
By honorable discharge.....	171
By transfer.....	885
By suspension.....	3, 919
By dishonorable discharge.....	1
By delinquent reports.....	300
By surrender of charter.....	877
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Total.....	15, 951
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Membership in good standing Dec. 31, 1918.....	110, 357
Posts in good standing Dec. 31, 1918.....	4, 704
Net loss for the year.....	10, 559
Total number remaining suspended Dec. 31, 1918.....	2, 906
Number dropped during the year.....	292
Number of posts which surrendered charters.....	114
Number of posts mustered.....	0
Expended in relief during the year.....	\$46, 606. 73
Members and families relieved.....	698
Other than members relieved.....	197

Your adjutant general, on looking over the reports of his predecessors, finds that a few only of the assistant adjutants general still use in making up their reports to national headquarters the items "gain from delinquent reports" and "loss by delinquent reports," which is all wrong, because those comrades so accounted for are seldom actually lost, but are at the same time excluded from the totals reported to the adjutant general, and thereby contribute nothing to the support of our national organization, which is also wrong.

Now, listen! Here is the remedy: If they first make up their reports on "Form C in detail" before they undertake to consolidate and will use their predecessor's last "Report in detail" as their guide, they will have no use whatever for the item delinquent in either column, "gain" or "loss." And for that reason your adjutant general ordered both delinquent items stricken from all blanks sent out last year, and he here and now recommends that his successors in office continue this practice and stop that delinquent leakage, which is always detrimental to our national organization. Of course, losses by death are inevitable. Losses by suspension, surrender, or charter, etc., are expected and permitted also.

Again thanking you for the high honor accorded me, I am,  
Yours, in F., C., and L.,

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*







COLA D. R. STOWITS,  
Quartermaster General.

## REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

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BUFFALO, N. Y., *August 1, 1919.*

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,

*Commander in Chief, G. A. R., Omaha, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER: I submit herewith my official report as quartermaster general for the term ending August 1, 1919.

Despite the ever-decreasing membership of the Grand Army of the Republic and the falling off in the revenue from the per capita tax, our financial condition at the end of this term is fairly good. The overhead expenses continue about the same as in former years. While the membership is less, the number of posts has not been changed materially, which necessitates the issuing of about the usual number of general orders, etc., and almost the same amount of traveling and correspondence as heretofore. It was necessary to call upon the permanent fund during the present term to meet current expenses, and it is quite evident that we shall be obliged to make another requisition upon that fund to carry us through the term commencing in 1919. We see no way of making a decided reduction in our operating expense account if it is our desire to maintain the dignity of our order.

During the present administration we have seen the dark clouds of the great World War roll away, and our country is again enjoying the blessings of peace. Our sons have returned to us, bearing with them the glorious banner that we gave into their keeping untarnished, and crowned once more with victory in the fight for justice and righteousness. To those who did not come back, and who joined the large army of our own beloved comrades who have passed into the Great Beyond, we may well say, with hearts full of love and reverence:

Sleep on, Soldier Dead, your rest is well earned;  
To you the heart of the Nation is gratefully turned;  
Dream on. Of Life's sweetest and best you have given,  
And your God has the record with Him safe in Heaven.

Our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, has not failed in its example of patriotism and loyalty, and has given fresh evidence of its generosity by its handsome donations of \$1,000 to the general fund and \$1,000 to the southern memorial fund, and for this we tender our most sincere thanks. We also acknowledge receipt of donations from our other allied organizations, as follows:

Daughters of Veterans, \$500 for the permanent fund, and \$404.79 for the southern memorial fund, a total of \$904.79.

Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, \$250 for the permanent fund.

Ladies of the G. A. R., \$102.66 for the southern memorial fund, for all of which we are most grateful, and the effort thus made to work together to keep alive the spirit and aims of the Grand Army of the Republic is certainly most gratifying to all concerned.



We wish to call attention again to the benefits derived by the national encampment from the present method of making out the Form D annual reports. It saves a great deal of time and labor, and seems to have almost universal approval.

Once more we are indebted to the committee on legislation and to Mr. George H. Carter, clerk of the Joint Committee on Printing, for their interest in the issue of the Journal of the Fifty-second National Encampment.

With the kindest feelings and best wishes for you, my associate officers and comrades, I am,

Yours, in F., C. and L.,

COLA D. R. STOWITS,  
*Quartermaster General.*

### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

*Transcript of books, Aug. 1 to Sept. 1, 1918.*

BUFFALO, N. Y., *September 1, 1918.*

Cash balance in all funds, as reported to the Fifty-second National Encampment.....		\$4,472.65
Subsequent receipts:		
Sale of supplies.....	\$97.99	
Southern memorial fund.....	38.53	
Woman's Relief Corps.....	1,000.00	
Daughters of Veterans.....	500.00	
Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary.....	250.00	
Sale of old furniture.....	75.00	
		<u>1,961.52</u>
Total.....		6,434.17
Disbursements:		
For supplies.....	140.00	
For traveling.....	697.93	
For expenses—incidentals.....	348.66	
For expenses—1,000 rolls.....	122.00	
For expenses—1,000 reports.....	138.00	
		<u>1,446.59</u>
Total cash in all funds.....		4,987.58
To be credited as follows:		
General fund.....	2,323.04	
Southern memorial fund.....	2,664.54	
		<u>4,987.58</u>

### ACCOUNT CURRENT.

#### DEBIT.

Cash received for term ending Aug. 1, 1919:		
General fund, supplemental report, Sept. 1, 1918.....	\$2,323.04	
Southern memorial fund.....	2,664.54	
		<u>\$4,987.58</u>
Sale of supplies.....	2,709.51	
Per capita tax.....	3,875.83	
Southern memorial fund.....	1,606.00	
Permanent fund.....	3,000.00	
Permanent fund interest.....	700.00	
Sale of old rugs.....	25.00	
Interest on bank balance.....	141.23	
		<u>12,057.57</u>
Total.....		17,045.15

## CREDIT.

Cash paid out, term ending Aug. 1, 1919:

For supplies.....	\$630. 90
For traveling.....	2, 401. 30
For salaries.....	3, 872. 00
For southern memorial fund.....	1, 555. 00
For expenses.....	3, 493. 78
	<hr/> \$11, 952. 98

Total on hand in all funds Aug. 1, 1919..... 5, 092. 17

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To be credited as follows:

General fund.....	2, 376. 63
Southern memorial fund.....	2, 715. 54
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## ASSETS.

Cash, general fund.....	\$2, 376. 63
Cash, southern memorial fund.....	2, 715. 54
Supplies on hand.....	750. 00
Furniture on hand.....	250. 00
Lithograph stone.....	20. 00
Gun metal.....	162. 50
Free blanks.....	100. 00
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Total.....	6, 374. 67

*Sale of supplies for term ending Aug. 1, 1919.*

Alabama.....		New Hampshire.....	\$10. 45
Arizona.....	\$1. 00	New Jersey.....	31. 20
Arkansas.....	3. 83	New Mexico.....	7. 81
California and Nevada.....	131. 75	New York.....	229. 35
Colorado and Wyoming.....	48. 51	North Dakota.....	4. 86
Connecticut.....	51. 70	Ohio.....	213. 63
Delaware.....		Oklahoma.....	23. 35
Florida.....	19. 00	Oregon.....	77. 10
Georgia and South Carolina.....	27. 80	Pennsylvania.....	204. 44
Idaho.....	7. 40	Potomac.....	10. 41
Illinois.....	121. 07	Rhode Island.....	27. 08
Indiana.....	38. 85	South Dakota.....	7. 25
Iowa.....	56. 95	Tennessee.....	14. 85
Kansas.....	61. 00	Texas.....	14. 58
Kentucky.....	8. 20	Utah.....	2. 16
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	16. 60	Vermont.....	5. 24
Maine.....	31. 40	Virginia and North Carolina....	5. 07
Maryland.....	22. 45	Washington and Alaska.....	46. 90
Massachusetts.....	83. 25	West Virginia.....	6. 45
Michigan.....	97. 80	Wisconsin.....	30. 45
Minnesota.....	30. 70	Woman's Relief Corps.....	12. 00
Missouri.....	63. 25	Aids-de-camp.....	738. 10
Montana.....	33. 45		<hr/>
Nebraska.....	30. 82	Total.....	2, 709. 51



*Per capita tax, southern memorial fund, interest, etc., received for term ended Aug. 1, 1919.*

	Feb. 1, 1919.	July 15, 1919.	Southern memorial fund.	General fund.
Alabama.....	\$1. 02	\$1. 05	.....	.....
Arizona.....	1. 35	1. 35	.....	.....
Arkansas.....	3. 05	3. 05	.....	.....
California and Nevada.....	81. 55	81. 55	.....	.....
Colorado and Wyoming.....	25. 00	25. 00	.....	.....
Connecticut.....	28. 70	28. 70	.....	.....
Delaware.....	4. 54	4. 54	.....	.....
Florida.....	11. 10	11. 10	.....	.....
Georgia and South Carolina.....	2. 19	2. 19	.....	.....
Idaho.....	6. 96	6. 96	.....	.....
Illinois.....	146. 65	146. 65	.....	.....
Indiana.....	115. 85	115. 85	\$13. 00	.....
Iowa.....	108. 51	108. 51	.....	.....
Kansas.....	99. 12	99. 12	.....	.....
Kentucky.....	10. 57	10. 57	.....	.....
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	3. 70	3. 70	.....	.....
Maine.....	35. 28	35. 28	.....	.....
Maryland.....	15. 44	15. 44	.....	.....
Massachusetts.....	115. 45	115. 45	.....	.....
Michigan.....	89. 50	89. 50	.....	.....
Minnesota.....	39. 45	39. 45	.....	.....
Missouri.....	53. 45	53. 45	5. 00	.....
Montana.....	9. 87	9. 87	12. 00	.....
Nebraska.....	42. 98	42. 98	.....	.....
New Hampshire.....	19. 37	19. 37	.....	.....
New Jersey.....	35. 33	35. 33	.....	.....
New Mexico.....	1. 61	1. 61	.....	.....
New York.....	192. 08	192. 08	.....	.....
North Dakota.....	2. 87	2. 87	.....	.....
Ohio.....	200. 43	200. 43	.....	.....
Oklahoma.....	17. 14	17. 45	.....	.....
Oregon.....	30. 94	30. 94	.....	.....
Pennsylvania.....	192. 15	192. 15	.....	.....
Potomac.....	15. 10	15. 10	.....	.....
Rhode Island.....	12. 64	12. 60	.....	.....
South Dakota.....	11. 76	11. 76	.....	.....
Tennessee.....	8. 72	8. 71	.....	.....
Texas.....	4. 52	4. 46	.....	.....
Utah.....	3. 31	3. 31	.....	.....
Vermont.....	22. 26	24. 59	.....	.....
Virginia and North Carolina.....	4. 86	4. 98	.....	.....
Washington and Alaska.....	39. 70	39. 70	.....	.....
West Virginia.....	11. 32	11. 32	.....	.....
Wisconsin.....	59. 19	59. 18	.....	.....
Woman's Relief Corps.....	.....	.....	\$1, 000. 00	.....
Daughters of Veterans.....	.....	.....	404. 97	.....
Ladies of the G. A. R.....	.....	.....	81. 03	.....
Refund, Tennessee.....	.....	.....	35. 00	.....
Refund, Florida.....	.....	.....	35. 00	.....
Refund, Georgia and South Carolina.....	.....	.....	20. 00	.....
W. J. Patterson, treasurer:	.....	.....	.....	.....
From permanent fund.....	.....	.....	.....	\$3, 000. 00
Accrued interest.....	.....	.....	.....	700. 00
Sale of old rugs.....	.....	.....	.....	25. 00
Interest, bank.....	.....	.....	.....	141. 23
Total.....	1, 936. 58	1, 939. 25	1, 606. 00	3, 866. 23

*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 1, 1919, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.*

Date of payment.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern Memorial fund.	Expense.
1918. Sept. 14	1	William B. Burford, office supplies.....					\$4. 95
	2	Thomas H. Brown, postage and envelopes.....					4. 50
17	3	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, postage on general orders, etc.....					15. 00
	4	Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co., telephone service, etc.....					22. 20
24	5	Clarendon E. Adams, commander in chief, traveling expenses.....		\$200. 00			
	6	Gordon L. Elliott, reporting Fifty-second National Encampment, and transcripts.....					200. 00
27	7	Harry Porter, office furniture and supplies.....					74. 55
	8	Beacon Press: Headquarters' supplies.....					149. 88
		9,300 general orders, etc.....					48. 20
	9	Rudge & Guenzel Co., 1 oak top desk, 2 oak desk chairs, 2 oak stands, 2 maple chairs.....					52. 75
	10	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, September salary.....			\$125. 00		
	11	Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general: September salary.....			100. 00		
		Cabinet for office.....					8. 00
		Express charges and telegrams.....					30. 37
	12	Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: September salary.....			33. 33		
		September office expenses.....					17. 50
Oct. 4	13	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, traveling.....		95. 78			
5	14	Wagner-Taylor-Edson Co., insurance premium.....					6. 60
7	15	American Surety Co., insurance premium on bond of quartermaster general.....					12. 50
22	16	The Beacon Press, circulars and letterheads.....					54. 98
30	17	Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general: October salary.....			100. 00		
		October expenses.....					27. 37
	18	Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: October salary.....			33. 33		
		October expenses.....					15. 00
	19	Mrs. E. K. Stockfield, acting secretary, October salary.....			75. 00		



Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 1, 1919, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.

Date of pay-ment.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Sup-plies.	Travel.	Sala-ries.	South-ern Me-morial fund.	Ex-pense.
1918.							
Nov. 11	20	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, but- tons and badges.....	\$230. 00				
	21	Clarendon E. Adams, com- mander in chief, traveling expenses.....		\$200. 00			
	22	Katharine R. A. Flood, sec- retary, October salary.....			\$125. 00		
21	23	The Beacon Press, general orders, envelopes, etc.....					\$134. 51
30	24	Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general: November salary.....			100. 00		
		November expenses.....					44. 67
	25	Mrs. E. K. Stockfeld, acting secretary, November salary.....			75. 00		
	26	Katharine R. A. Flood, sec- retary, November salary.....			125. 00		
	27	Cola D. R. Stowits, quarter- master general: November salary.....			33. 33		
		November expenses.....					9. 92
Dec. 6	28	J. Henry Holcomb, custo- dian: September, October, and November salary.....			75. 00		
		September, October, and November expenses.....					22. 84
	29	Town Printing Co., blanks, letterheads, etc.....					213. 40
13	30	Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general, September, Oc- tober, November, and De- cember office rent.....					112. 50
	31	The Beacon Press, circular No. 3, etc.....					31. 24
28	32	The Beacon Press, 8,100 gen- eral orders No. 4, etc.....					69. 79
31	33	Cola D. R. Stowits, quarter- master general: December salary.....			33. 34		
		December expenses.....					7. 25
	34	Clarendon E. Adams, com- mander in chief, traveling expenses.....		200. 00			
	35	Mrs. E. K. Stockfeld, acting secretary, December salary.....			75. 00		
31	36	Katharine R. A. Flood, secre- tary, December salary.....			125. 00		
	37	Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general: December salary.....			100. 00		
		December expenses.....					52. 35

*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 1, 1919, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.*

Date of payment.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern Memorial fund.	Expense.
1919.							
Jan. 10	38	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, railroad fare, Boston to Lincoln.....			\$63. 59		
21	39	Clarendon E. Adams, commander in chief, traveling expenses.....		\$200. 00			
30	40	The Beacon Press, general orders, No. 5, etc.....					\$56. 19
	41	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, January salary.....			150. 00		
	42	Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general: January salary.....			100. 00		
		January expenses.....					65. 78
	43	Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: January salary.....			33. 33		
		January expenses.....					10. 50
Feb. 5	44	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, buttons and straps.....	\$152. 20				
8	45	Mrs. E. K. Stockfeld, acting secretary, January salary...			47. 00		
28	46	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: February salary.....			150. 00		
		Trip to Omaha.....		3. 78			
	47	Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general: February salary.....			100. 00		
		February expenses.....					44. 15
	48	Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: February salary.....			33. 33		
		February expenses.....					6. 00
		Trip to Columbus, Ohio.....		35. 26			
	49	The Beacon Press, printing, etc.....					7. 43
Mar. 4	50	J. Henry Holcomb, custodian: December, January, and February salary.....			75. 00		
		Expressage and postage.....					15. 99
	51	Clarendon E. Adams, commander in chief, traveling expenses.....		200. 00			
	52	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general: Traveling expenses to Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, and Washington.....		113. 86			
		Expense account on trip.....					19. 00
5	53	George A. Price, executive committee, trip to Columbus and return.....		56. 34			
8	54	George A. Hosley, chief of staff, trip to Columbus and return.....		62. 34			



*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 1, 1919, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.*

Date of payment.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern Memorial fund.	Expense.
1919.							
Mar. 17	55	Beacon Press, general orders, etc.....					\$52. 30
22	56	C. E. Adams, traveling expense.....		\$400. 00			
29	57	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, March salary.....			\$150. 00		
	58	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general: March salary..... March expenses.....			100. 00		61. 55
	59	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: March salary..... March expense.....			33. 34		7. 50
Apr. 2	60	Beacon Press, general orders, etc.....					78. 80
7	61	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges, buttons, etc.....	\$104. 10				
29	62	Katharine R. A. Flood, April salary.....			150. 00		
	63	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: April salary..... April expenses.....			33. 33		6. 25
	64	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general: April salary..... April expenses.....			100. 00		71. 16
	65	Beacon Press, stamped envelopes.....					20. 75
	66	Robert W. McBride, editing journal Fifty-second National Encampment.....					218. 21
May 3	67	Haseltine Bros., testimonial for past commander in chief Somers.....					500. 00
5	68	Theo. W. B. Brake, department commander, Florida..				\$80. 00	
	69	Samuel Henderson, department commander, Arkansas..				125. 00	
	70	E. K. Russ, department commander, Louisiana and Mississippi.....				200. 00	
	71	J. M. Mosier, department commander, Georgia and South Carolina.....				300. 00	
	72	W. F. Roberts, department commander, Tennessee....				200. 00	
	73	Charles H. Haber, department commander, Virginia and North Carolina.....				600. 00	
5	74	Anson Miller, department commander, Texas.....				50. 00	
23	75	C. E. Adams, commander in chief, traveling expenses....		200. 00			

*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 1, 1919, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.*

Date of payment.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern Memorial fund.	Expense.
1919.							
May 28	76	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general:					
		May salary.....			\$33.33		
		May expenses.....				\$6.25	
	77	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general:					
		May salary.....			100.00		
		May expenses.....					\$72.13
	78	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, May salary.....			150.00		
	79	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general, trip, Missouri encampment.....		\$32.16			
31	80	Beacon Press, printing, etc....					10.00
	81	George A. Hosley, chief of staff, trip, Vermont encampment.....		12.62			
June 23	82	J. H. Holcomb:					
		March, April, May salary.....			75.00		
		March, April, May expenses.....					18.93
	83	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, buttons and badges.....	\$144.60				
	84	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general, trip, Colorado and Illinois.....		86.85			
28	85	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general:					
		June salary.....			33.34		
		June expenses.....					17.25
	86	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general:					
		June salary.....			100.00		
		June expenses.....					48.40
	87	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, June salary.....			150.00		
30	88	J. G. Chambers, senior vice commander in chief, trip to Oregon, Washington, and Alaska.....		26.52			
	89	Philip A. Nordell, chaplain in chief, trip to Maine encampment.....		12.20			
July 2	90	Town Printing Co., blanks, etc.....					107.00
14	91	Public Printer, Washington, D. C., 1,000 Journals, paper, 200 Journals, cloth, Fifty-second National Encampment.....					255.52
22	92	Beacon Press, general orders, etc.....					126.70
	93	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, July salary.....			150.00		



Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 1, 1919, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.

Date of pay- ment.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Sup- plies.	Travel.	Sala- ries.	South- ern Me- morial fund.	Ex- pense.
1919. July 22             31	94	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general: July salary.....			\$100.00		
		July expenses.....					\$69.04
	95	C. D. R. Stowits, quar- termaster general: July salary.....			33.33		
		July expenses.....					9.20
	96	C. E. Adams, commander in chief, traveling, etc.		\$200.00			
	97	A. M. Trimble, adjutant general: Salary, balance of term.....			100.00		
		Expense, balance of term.....					19.35
	98	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary, salary, bal- ance of term.....			150.00		
	99	C. D. R. Stowits, quar- termaster general: Salary, balance of term.....			33.34		
		Expense, balance of term.....					8.50
	100	J. Henry Holcomb: Salary, June, July, August.....			75.00		
		Expenses, June, July, August.....					14.82
	101	Harrington & Folger. ex- press on rolls, Au- gust 22, 1918.....					26.31
		Total.....	\$630.90	2,401.30	3,872.00	\$1,555.00	3,493.78

*Supplies on hand, purchased, issued and remaining on hand for the term ending Aug. 1, 1919.*

[By Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.]

	Rules and regulations.	Rituals.	Officers' cards.	Service books.	Odes.	Applications.	Leaves of absence.	Transfers.
On hand Aug. 1, 1918.....	2, 370	168	2, 237	1, 648	450	5, 148	1, 970	1, 572
Purchased, per abstract.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5, 000	.....	.....
Total to be accounted for. . .	2, 370	168	2, 237	1, 648	450	10, 148	1, 970	1, 572
Issued.....	378	153	126	298	50	4, 931	930	1, 284
Balance on hand Aug. 1, 1919.....	1, 992	15	2, 111	1, 350	400	5, 217	1, 040	268

	Post charters.	Descriptive books.	Badges.	Rank straps.	Buttons.	Strap ribbons, pieces.	Blue books.	Cost.
On hand Aug. 1, 1918.....	206	7	920	1, 167	1, 782	57	226	\$1, 450. 00
Purchased, per abstract.....	.....	.....	987	544	6, 000	.....	.....	864. 90
Total to be accounted for.....	206	7	1, 907	1, 711	7, 782	57	226	2, 314. 90
Issued.....	3	7	1, 907	1, 407	7, 713	17	29	2, 807. 50
Balance on hand Aug. 1, 1919.....	203	.....	.....	304	69	40	197	750. 00

*Supplies purchased by C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, during the term ending Aug. 1, 1919.*

From whom purchased.	Date.	Applications.	Badges.	Rank straps.	Buttons.	Cost.
Joseph K. Davison's Sons	Oct., 1918	.....	300	.....	2, 000	\$230. 00
Do.....	Jan., 1919	.....	.....	432	940	152. 20
Do.....	Mar., 1919	.....	107	12	1, 000	104. 50
Do.....	May, 1919	.....	.....	.....	2, 060	144. 20
Do.....	July, 1919	.....	580	100	.....	194. 00
Town Printing Co.....	do.....	5, 000	.....	.....	.....	40. 00
Total.....	.....	5, 000	987	544	6, 000	864. 90



*Statement of total number of posts, membership, and financial condition of the departments of the Grand Army of the Republic Jan. 1, 1919.*

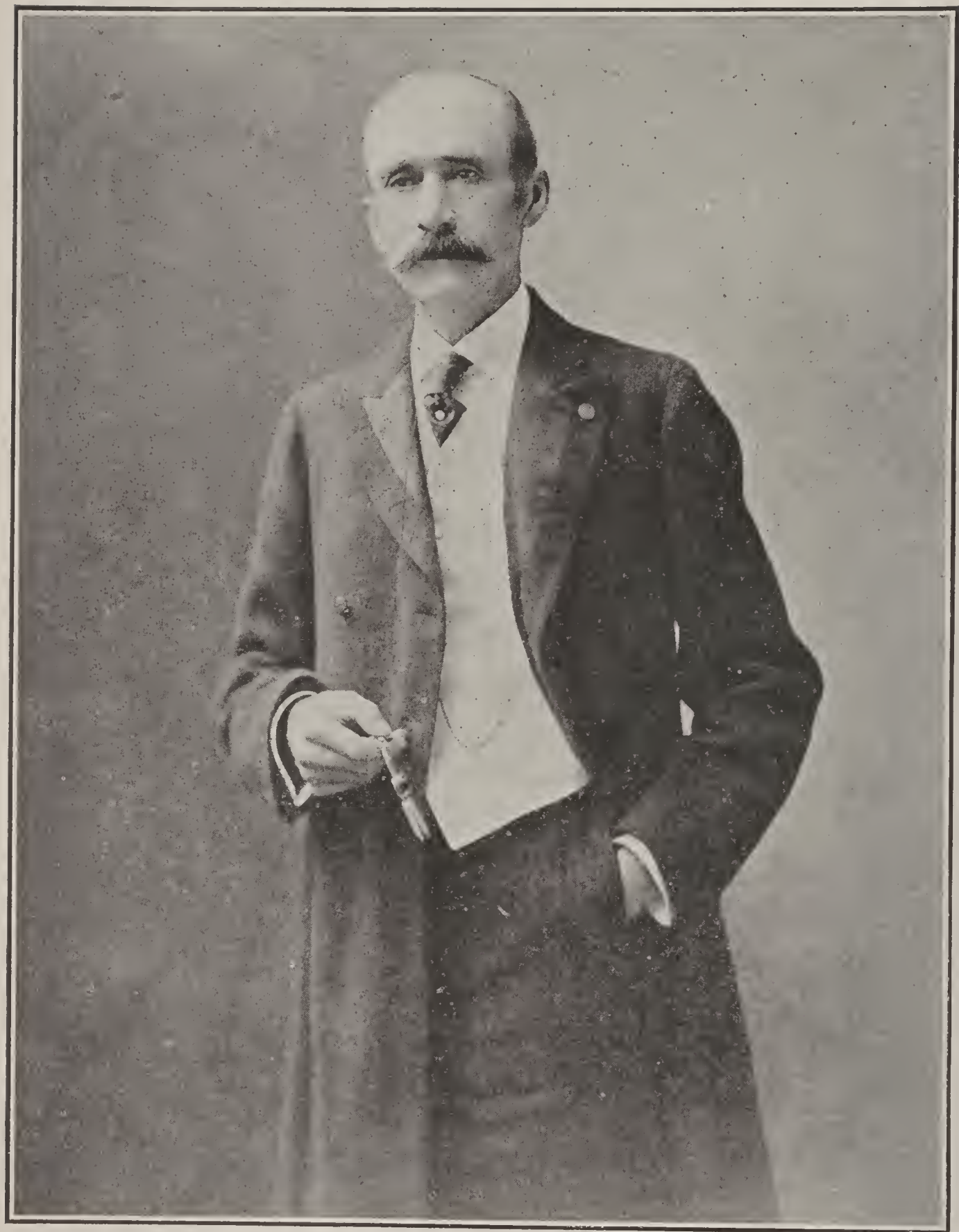
[Compiled by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.]

Departments.	Total posts.	Members.	Value of real estate.	Cash, post and relief.	Furnishings.	Total value of property.
Alabama.....	3	58	\$260. 00	\$157. 99	\$152. 00	\$569. 99
Arizona.....	5	75	.....	260. 96	.....	260. 96
Arkansas.....	7	174	.....	149. 05	170. 00	319. 05
California and Nevada.....	94	4, 660	4, 876. 00	26, 421. 20	2, 764. 00	34, 061. 20
Colorado and Wyoming.....	53	1, 426	12, 543. 25	5, 381. 62	1, 462. 65	19, 387. 52
Connecticut.....	58	1, 640	60, 927. 43	48, 820. 10	10, 854. 77	120, 602. 30
Delaware.....	16	259	.....	1, 577. 53	1, 902. 00	3, 479. 53
Florida.....	21	634	4, 190. 00	465. 10	618. 31	5, 273. 41
Georgia and South Carolina.....	7	125	350. 00	91. 37	57. 00	498. 37
Idaho.....	18	398	10, 781. 62	990. 63	795. 00	12, 567. 25
Illinois.....	364	8, 380	42, 705. 00	41, 127. 52	20, 931. 64	104, 764. 16
Indiana.....	240	6, 620	5, 363. 96	60, 301. 17	11, 195. 02	76, 860. 15
Iowa.....	281	6, 201	27, 460. 00	28, 655. 76	1, 920. 00	58, 035. 76
Kansas.....	244	5, 664	13, 650. 00	8, 379. 06	10, 950. 62	32, 979. 68
Kentucky.....	52	604	.....	1, 000. 00	.....	1, 000. 00
Lousiana and Mississippi.....	18	211	101. 00	734. 49	305. 00	1, 140. 49
Maine.....	110	2, 016	54, 875. 00	20, 571. 63	17, 798. 66	93, 245. 29
Maryland.....	46	882	550. 00	11, 853. 16	3, 368. 50	15, 771. 66
Massachusetts.....	197	6, 597	150, 000. 00	147, 467. 91	4, 000. 00	301, 467. 91
Michigan.....	238	5, 115	18, 688. 75	7, 696. 71	1, 401. 71	27, 787. 17
Minnesota.....	131	2, 254	8, 450. 00	5, 578. 41	3, 331. 00	17, 359. 41
Missouri.....	145	3, 054	14, 365. 00	45, 179. 06	4, 792. 28	64, 336. 34
Montana.....	14	281	2, 589. 60	633. 03	400. 00	3, 622. 63
Nebraska.....	167	2, 456	34, 683. 00	18, 689. 25	6, 107. 50	59, 479. 75
New Hampshire.....	67	1, 107	31, 405. 71	20, 488. 57	16, 787. 38	68, 681. 66
New Jersey.....	91	2, 019	47, 155. 00	41, 661. 80	14, 431. 00	103, 247. 80
New Mexico.....	8	92	.....	.....	1, 700. 00	1, 700. 00
New York.....	484	10, 976	30, 071. 28	117, 404. 80	71, 161. 46	226, 637. 54
North Dakota.....	18	164	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio.....	439	11, 453	31, 976. 10	45, 820. 50	27, 774. 45	105, 571. 05
Oklahoma.....	50	979	1, 000. 00	1, 458. 19	1, 086. 43	3, 544. 62
Oregon.....	62	1, 768	3, 490. 00	6, 227. 49	2, 171. 35	11, 888. 84
Pennsylvania.....	453	10, 980	200, 000. 00	43, 403. 08	15, 000. 00	258, 403. 08
Potomac.....	12	863	7, 685. 20	7, 510. 13	1, 762. 21	16, 957. 54
Rhode Island.....	22	722	.....	14, 245. 92	7, 150. 81	21, 396. 73
South Dakota.....	55	672	.....	591. 63	.....	591. 63
Tennessee.....	19	498	.....	.....	700. 00	700. 00
Texas.....	10	244	1, 200. 00	743. 89	350. 00	2, 293. 89
Utah.....	5	189	870. 67	185. 08	150. 00	1, 205. 75
Vermont.....	83	1, 272	1, 784. 18	11, 429. 60	7, 263. 14	20, 476. 92
Virginia and North Carolina.....	19	277	165. 00	61. 78	70. 00	296. 78
Washington and Alaska.....	78	2, 269	3, 427. 00	2, 567. 80	4, 538. 20	10, 533. 00
West Virginia.....	27	647	642. 00	1, 259. 54	.....	1, 901. 54
Wisconsin.....	173	3, 382	19, 812. 70	13, 292. 66	17, 445. 47	50, 600. 83
Total.....	4, 704	110, 357	856, 144. 45	810, 535. 17	294, 819. 56	1,961,499. 18



J. HENRY HOLCOMB,  
Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian.





THOMAS S. HOPKINS,  
Judge Advocate General.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL AND  
CUSTODIAN.

1523 ARCH STREET,  
Philadelphia, Pa., August 1, 1919.

A. M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lincoln, Nebr.*

COMRADE: I have the honor to make this—the twenty-fourth annual consecutive report of the work of my office for the year ending as above.

Nothing unusual has occurred during the year just passed, and the routine of filing reports and papers received, and the purchasing and sending out of supplies and free blanks to all the departments, has gone along about the same as in former years. Some delay in promptly filling orders, especially in the case of aids'-de-camp badges, occurred by reason of manufacturers being unable to turn them out as fast as we need them, but at this time I can report all orders filled to date.

Early in this administration I submitted a schedule of books and papers that had accumulated in my office with a view of turning them over to the Library of Congress as recommended by me in my last report, which recommendation was approved by the last national encampment. I have so far heard nothing from the matter, and now renew my recommendation.

Full schedules of all supplies on hand, purchased, issued, and now remaining on hand, appear in the report of the quartermaster general.

The following "free blanks" have also been furnished the department, viz:

Forms A and B (report of adjutant and quartermaster).....	9,781
Form C (report of assistant adjutant general in detail).....	118
Form C (report of assistant adjutant general, consolidated).....	112
Form D (report of assistant quartermaster general in detail).....	None.
Form D (report of assistant quartermaster general, consolidated).....	114
Form E-2 (report of department inspector, consolidated).....	33
Form H (report of post inspector).....	1,612
Form I (requisition for supplies).....	487
Report of post chaplain.....	4,064
Report of department chaplain.....	169
Report of patriotic instructor (post).....	3,989
Report of patriotic instructor (department).....	171
Credentials of members.....	30

I acknowledge with pleasure the kind and courteous treatment accorded to me by the commander in chief, by yourself, by the quartermaster general, and by all others with whom I have had official relations, and remain,

Yours, fraternally,

J. HENRY HOLCOMB,  
*Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian.*



## REPORT OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., *August 1, 1919.*

COMRADE ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lincoln, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I beg to submit this, my report as judge advocate general during the past year.

Since the commander in chief honored me with my appointment as judge advocate general, he has referred to me but three cases for my official opinion. Neither of these was of any great importance. Other questions have been submitted to me from time to time by comrades, but I was obliged to advise them that I could give official opinions only upon matters that were directly referred to me by the commander in chief.

Time has mellowed the hearts and minds of the comrades, and the discord and dissension, which earlier in our history sometimes prevailed, have practically ceased in the declining years of the organization.

The three opinions rendered by me are as follows, and they are given in full.

### I.

In the case referred to me October 26, 1918, the question raised by a comrade was as follows:

A number of years ago several old soldiers were expelled from the G. A. R. for fighting in the post room. The post shortly after disbanded. Can they be reinstated?

### OPINION.

It is not possible for me to advise you unequivocally, because the comrade has not furnished sufficient data upon which to base an intelligent decision. He states that the members referred to were "expelled." There does not appear to be any authority under the rules and regulations of the Grand Army for "expelling" a member. A member, after proceedings duly had, may be "dishonorably discharged." (Art. VI, sec. 2, par. 1.)

A member can not be dishonorably discharged except by the findings of a court-martial, duly authorized. A member so discharged may not join another post as long as the findings of the court-martial stand. A member may appeal from the decision of the court-martial to the commander in chief, but such appeal must be taken within six months. (Ib. par. 7.)

The National Encampment, at Dayton, Ohio, in 1880, adopted the following resolution:

The commander in chief may revise, remit, or reduce the sentence of courts-martial in meritorious cases, at any time on application, approved by intermediate authorities.

In this case, therefore, if the members were dishonorably discharged by the findings of a duly authorized court-martial, it is within the discretion of the commander in chief, upon a petition and satisfactory evidence, to remit the penalty and rehabilitate the members thus discharged to the extent that they may become eligible to admission to any Grand Army post. (The post to which the members referred to were attached, appears to have been disbanded.)

I have gone into this matter rather fully, notwithstanding the lack of facts upon which to base a definite decision, because I think the foregoing will show clearly to all parties concerned their rights in the premises, and will enable you to act in case the discharged members should petition you for the remission of their sentence.

## II.

In the second case, which was referred to me February 23, 1919, the facts are as follows:

A comrade was employed in the customs service in 1903, and, at the date of asking for an opinion, he was still in that service. Down to March 1, 1916, he was receiving \$3.50 per day. On that date he was demoted to \$3 per day. He asked the commander in chief to take the case up, and also asked if he stood any chance of collecting the difference in pay.

### OPINION.

I am unable to see how you can do anything unless you choose to lay the matter before the President or the Secretary of the Treasury. The only method by which the comrade can obtain a legal decision concerning his rights is through mandamus proceedings in the United States courts against the collector of customs at Seattle. This, of course, would necessitate the employment of local counsel. You could not assist in the matter.

In regard to the comrade's inquiry as to whether he stands any chance of collecting the difference in pay, I would say that that question would be one of those to be determined in the court proceedings, and I do not feel like giving an opinion as to the results.

I may add that hundreds of our comrades here in Washington, employed in the various departments of the Government, have been demoted during the past 10 years, and none have been able thus far to obtain redress through the courts.

## III.

The third case was referred to me June 7, 1919, and referred back to me again July 16, 1919. The material facts in the case, as disclosed by the appeal and accompanying papers, are as follows:

Evidence had been brought to the attention of the thirty-eighth encampment of the Kansas Department, tending to show that the dead bodies of a comrade and the wife of another comrade at the State Soldiers' Home at Fort Dodge, Kans., had suffered indignities. Other charges of cruelty, neglect, and irregularities were also made. Whereupon, May 22, 1919, the department encampment by a unan-



imous vote authorized the appointment of a special committee of three comrades—

\* \* \* to go to the State Soldiers' Home, or elsewhere, to make a thorough investigation of all these complaints and allegations of misconduct by our State Soldiers' Home, at the expense of this department. \* \* \*

On the same day the then department commander, W. W. Smith, appointed Comrades W. J. Stagg, J. W. Priddy, and Charles Harris, as members of the special committee.

On June 1, 1919, the newly-elected department commander, Theodore Gardiner, addressed a letter to Comrade J. W. Priddy, a member of the special committee, as follows:

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: It appears that the department encampment, at Wichita, adopted a resolution directing the department commander to appoint a committee to investigate the Soldiers' Home at Fort Dodge. In accordance with that resolution you were appointed of that committee.

You are hereby notified that the Grand Army of the Republic has no authority to appoint a committee to investigate a State institution. And there is no authority in its rules and regulations to devote any of its funds toward defraying the expenses of such committee.

From this action by Department Commander Gardiner two of the three members of the committee, viz., Comrades W. J. Stagg and J. W. Priddy, appealed to the commander in chief, and presented the appeal to Department Commander Gardiner with the request that he forward the same to the commander in chief for his decision. The department commander refused to comply with their request, and returned the appeal to them. The committee then forwarded the appeal direct to the commander in chief.

#### OPINION.

1. On the facts stated in the appeal, appellants are entitled to be heard, and a decision rendered by the commander in chief.

2. A department commander can not repeal, modify, or set aside the acts of the department encampment. He is not clothed with the veto power.

3. A department encampment, in session, has the power to do any act or thing which the wisdom of the majority of its members may deem best, provided such action is not contrary to the rules and regulations of the Grand Army, or its principles.

4. A department encampment has absolute control of the finances of the department, and may appropriate its funds to such uses as the majority of the members may deem wise, provided such uses are for the benefit of the Grand Army, or in furtherance of its aims and objects and not in conflict with the rules and regulations of the order.

I therefore advise you that the appellants are justified in making, or attempting to make, the investigation with which the department encampment of Kansas has charged them, and that the reasonable expenses thereof should be paid by said department.

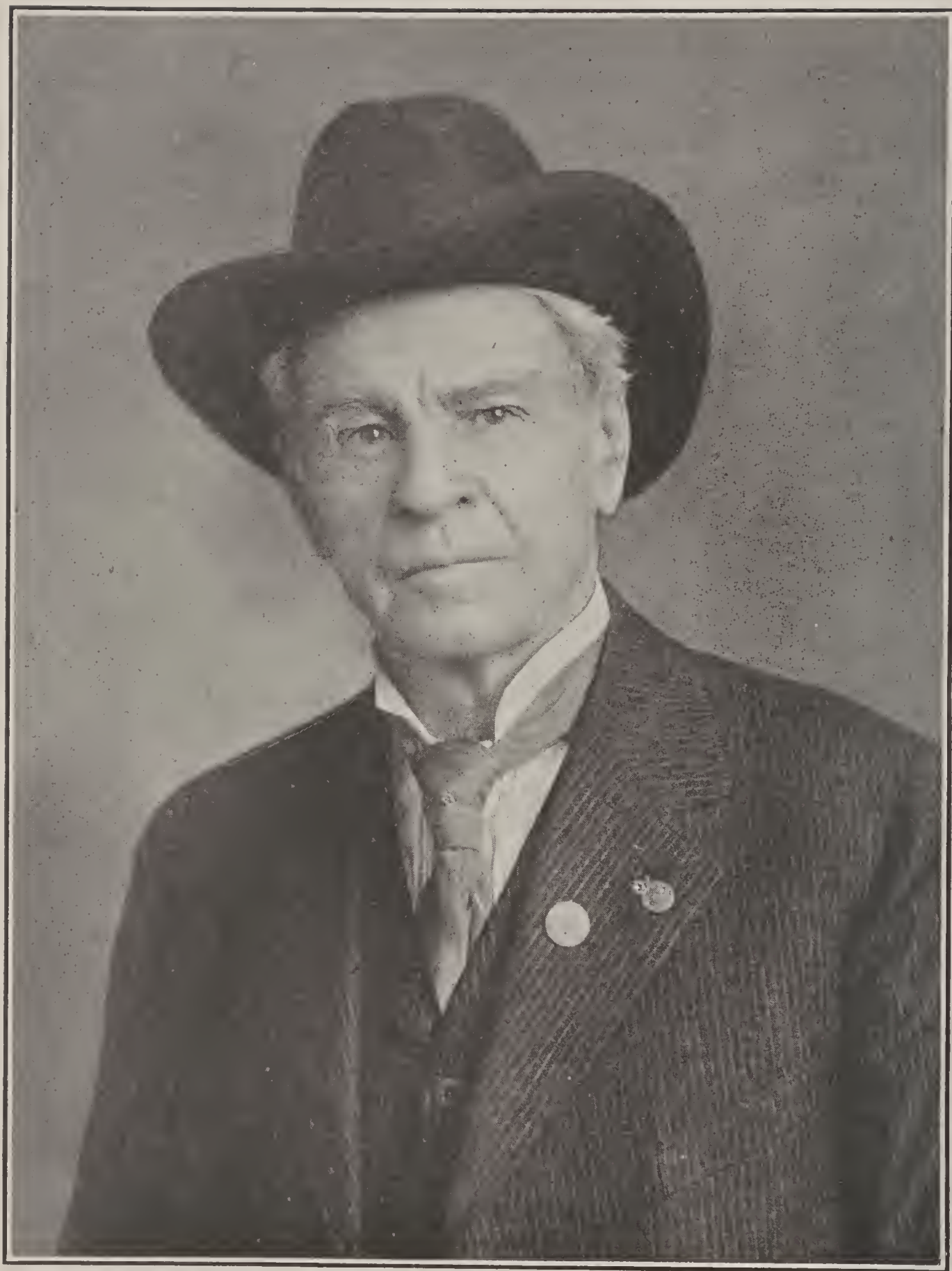
I beg to extend to the commander in chief and to the adjutant general my deep appreciation of the courtesy, kindness, and consideration shown to me at all times. The memory of my social and official relations with you both during my service will always be very precious.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

THOS. S. HOPKINS,  
*Judge Advocate General.*







THOMAS H. BROWN,  
Inspector General.

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

SIoux FALLS, S. DAK., *June 9, 1919.*

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lincoln, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Through you I desire to convey to the commander in chief my sincere gratitude for the honor conferred upon me in the appointment as inspector general of the Grand Army of the Republic. I trust I may be found worthy of the great honor.

I am pleased to report that we have an assistant inspector general in every department, and they promptly reported for duty, and as promptly performed that duty. The following blank was forwarded to each assistant:

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF....., G. A. R.,  
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL,  
....., 1919.

Comrade THOS. H. BROWN,  
*Inspector General, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.*

COMRADE: In accordance with your request for information regarding beneficiary laws and provision made for and in behalf of the veterans of the Civil War, or their widows, I submit the following:

1. Soldiers' home in this department located at.....
2. Number cared for (approximately).....
3. Are veterans' wives, widows, sisters, or mothers admitted?.....
4. Is any provision made by State for home for widows or orphans?.....
5. Does State grant State, county, municipal, or voluntary aid to enable indigent veterans or widows to remain in own home?.....
6. Is indigent veteran remaining in own home allowed what the cost of maintenance would be in soldiers' home or any part thereof?.....
7. Is veteran or widow exempt from taxes or any part thereof?.....
8. Does State pay funeral expenses of veteran or widow or any part thereof?.....
9. Does State provide department headquarters?.....
10. Does State print department journal?.....
11. Does State make any appropriation for support of department headquarters?.....
12. Has State any laws giving preference to employment of Civil War veterans by State, cities, or towns?.....
13. Has State any laws making provision for pensioning by State, cities, or towns of veterans after they have reached a certain age or have served a required number of years?.....

Remarks.....

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

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*Assistant Inspector General.*

We are especially interested in Nos. 5 and 6.  
Please return not later than April 15, 1919.

These reports as received from the assistant inspectors general of the several departments are tabulated for convenient reference. The reports are necessarily brief, too brief to fully set forth, by categorical answers, the many tender considerations extended to the Civil War veterans by the war-time Northern States.



The purpose of this report is to collect information regarding the legal status of the Civil War veteran, particularly in the northern States, and especially legislation aiding the veteran to remain in his home. Practically all of the 19 war-time Northern States, directly or indirectly, extend selective aid to the veteran in his home.

Our object is to provide this information for comrades residing within some of the so-called new States admitted into the Union during or subsequent to the Civil War to assist them in obtaining some such beneficial legislation. These new States may, with propriety, look for example and guidance to those war-time Northern States which gave so freely of their blood and treasure to preserve the Union, and are now affectionately and efficiently caring "for him who has borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan."

Our comrade has moved westward into these new States among people who know little or nothing, personally, of his great sacrifice, with few commemorating monuments to his martyred comrades, suggesting appreciation and loyal care of the aged survivor of that terrible struggle. He misses the heart touch of those who knew him in that youth and vigor of manhood which comes to us but once in a lifetime, and which he in their midst gave to his country. We do not in the least question the loyalty or appreciation of the citizenship of our young Western States, for in their veins is a large percentage of the loyal blood of the Civil War veteran, but the need of this aid and the example of other States may not have been properly brought to their attention.

The national encampment brings forth the prime, physical and mental, of the Grand Army. We see and know but little of the forced absentees, inmates of the soldiers' home, inmates of the hospital, the wheeled-chair brigade, the companions of crutches—they are the suffering members of the Grand Army of the Republic—the lingering wrecks of the battle. Many of them need the real home with its tender surroundings. Ere the waning strength of our organization shall finally pass, and while we are yet their "big comrades" let us, indirectly at least, endeavor to assist them. A little added to the Government pension by State selective aid would enable many of them to enjoy a larger degree of comfort and independence.

In view of all this, and a knowledge of the beneficiary legislation of other States brought to the attention of the members of the legislature, the State of South Dakota enacted the following law:

#### VETERAN RELIEF LAW.

AN ACT Entitled "An act appropriating money for the relief of veterans of the Civil War, their wives and widows, physically unable to go to the soldiers' home."

1. There is hereby appropriated out of the money in the treasury the sum of \$7, 500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918, and \$7,500 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919, or so much thereof as may be necessary to be expended by the board of managers of the soldiers' home for the relief and care of the Civil War veterans, their wives and widows who were married to such soldiers before the close of the Civil War, residing in the State, who, by reason of sickness or other disability, are not in condition to be taken to the soldiers' home for care and treatment.

2. The State board of managers of the soldiers' home are hereby empowered to make all necessary rules and regulations for the administration and use of the funds appropriated by this act.

Approved March 7, 1917.

## REPORT OF THE DISBURSING OFFICER OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA VETERANS' FUND.

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT, BOARD OF MANAGERS,

STATE SOLDIERS' HOME, SOUTH DAKOTA,

Gen. THOMAS H. BROWN,

*Huron, S. Dak., February 26, 1919.**Inspector General, G. A. R., Sioux Falls, S. Dak.*

My DEAR COMRADE BROWN: In response to your request of the 20th instant, in which you ask me to make a short report relating to the veterans' aid fund, to aid the veteran, his wife or widow, in his or her own home without being requested to apply for admission to the State soldiers' home, I take much pleasure in complying with your request.

For the biennial period ending June 30, 1919, the Legislature of South Dakota appropriated the sum of \$7,500 per year, under an act entitled "For relief of veterans of the Civil War, their wives and widows, unable to go to the soldiers' home." The fund was placed in charge of the managers of the State soldiers' home and is being regularly disbursed quarterly to all those entitled to receive its benefits. We are now in the closing months of the first biennial period, and have been able to assist nearly 100 veterans, wives, and widows. The number varies from time to time, but about 75 are being cared for in this way, and the amounts allowed each one also varies each quarter, according to the number of applications. Approximately it has been about \$10 per month. The principal requirements are that the applicant have an honorable discharge from the Army and having resided within the State for at least two years and that he retires or takes a discharge from the soldiers' home if a member at the time of making the application.

The operation of this law and appropriation has been one of the most beneficent and helpful that has ever come under our observation, and has been the means of assisting many worthy veterans, wives, and widows throughout the State, at their homes, surrounded by their families and friends, which with the Government pension enabled them to provide additional comforts not otherwise within their reach without State aid.

While this may seem a donation from the State, it is really a matter of economy, because it costs over \$400 per year per capita to care for a veteran at the soldiers' home, while this appropriation, at a cost of about \$150 to the State, cares for him at his own home, and a consequent saving to the State of over \$200. This statement is borne out by the fact that over 20 veterans retired from the soldiers' home and accepted the aid of the State during the last year, thereby relieving the State of a large expense.

Aside from the financial view of the matter is the great benefit conferred upon the old veteran and his wife to spend their closing days amid their loved ones in their own home, giving dignity and independence to their lives they could not feel when compelled to accept support as inmates of a State or Government institution.

I am pleased to notice that the legislature now in session, instead of the former appropriation of \$7,500 per year have, without solicitation, increased the appropriation to \$12,000 per year. The State is glad to save money in this way.

Your comrades of South Dakota will ever hold you in grateful remembrance as the father of the "veterans' relief law."

Respectfully in F., C. and L.,

PHILIP LAWRENCE,

*President State Board of Managers, Soldiers' Home.*

[State of South Dakota, Executive Department, Peter Norbeck, Governor.]

*PIERRE, April 4, 1919.*

Hon. THOS. H. BROWN,

*Inspector General, G. A. R., Sioux Falls, S. Dak.*

My DEAR SIR: I assure you I am very much interested in the passage and enactment of what has been called the "veterans' aid law," and the accompanying appropriation. I feel that other States would do well to place such a law upon their statute books, and I most certainly believe that to this consideration the veterans are entitled.

Assuring you of my lively interest, and with best personal wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

PETER NORBECK, *Governor.*

What South Dakota has done, North Dakota, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, and other young Western States can and should do.

We have this information in convenient, tabulated form, and will be glad to assist our comrades in any way we can.

Fraternally yours,

THOS. H. BROWN,

*Inspector General.*



*Table showing marked contrast between some of the States as to the legal status of the Civil War veterans regarding aid laws.*

[Copy of report received from departments.]

Question.	Minnesota.	Utah.	Wisconsin.	Idaho.	Massachusetts.	Colorado and Wyoming.	Iowa.	North Dakota.	Washington and Alaska.
1. Soldiers' home in this department?.....	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
2. Number cared for?.....	450	No.	700	100	550	175	800	35	975
3. Are veterans' wives, widows, sisters, or mothers admitted?.....	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
4. Is provision made by State for home for widows or orphans?.....	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.
5. Does State grant State, county, municipal, or voluntary aid to enable indigent veterans or widows to remain in own home?.....	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.
6. Is indigent veteran remaining in own home allowed what the cost of maintenance would be in soldiers' home or any part thereof?.....	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.
7. Is veteran or widow exempt from taxes or any part thereof?.....	No.	No.	Yes.	\$1,000	Yes.	No.	\$1,800	No.	No.
8. Does State pay funeral expenses of veteran or widow or any part thereof?.....	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.
9. Does State provide department headquarters?..	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.
10. Does State print department journal?.....	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.
11. Does State make any appropriation for support of department headquarters?.....	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.
12. Has State any laws giving preference to employment of Civil War veterans by State, cities, or towns?.....	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
13. Has State any laws making provision for pensioning by State, cities, towns of veterans after they have reached a certain age or have served a required number of years?.....	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.

[Tabulated from reports as received from assistant inspectors general. See report, p. 228.]

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
California and Nevada.....	Yes.	3, 000	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	\$75	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	Yes.	175	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$50	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.
Connecticut.....	Yes.	300	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.
Delaware.....	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.
Idaho.....	Yes.	100	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$1, 000	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.
Illinois <sup>1</sup> .....	Yes.	1, 350	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.
Indiana.....	Yes.	800	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	\$1, 800	Yes.	Yes.	No.	\$75	Yes.	No.
Iowa.....	Yes.	.....	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.
Maine.....	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Maryland.....	Yes.	550	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.
Massachusetts.....	Yes.	900	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	\$1, 000	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.
Michigan.....	Yes.	450	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.
Minnesota.....	Yes.	300	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Missouri.....	Yes.	125	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.
Montana.....	Yes.	772	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.
Nebraska.....	Yes.	80	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.
New Hampshire.....	Yes.	350	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.
New Jersey.....	Yes.	1, 800	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.
New York.....	Yes.	35	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.
North Dakota.....	Yes.	500	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.
Ohio.....	Yes.	160	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.
Oregon.....	Yes.	.....	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.
Pennsylvania <sup>2</sup> .....	Yes.	100	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.
Potomac.....	Yes.	107	No.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.
Rhode Island.....	Yes.	185	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
South Dakota.....	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.
Utah.....	Yes.	45	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.
Vermont.....	Yes.	975	Yes.	No.	Yes.	Yes.	No.	Yes.	No.	No.	No.	Yes.	No.
Washington and Alaska.....	Yes.	700	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.
Wisconsin.....	Yes.	.....	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.	No.

<sup>1</sup> See Bogardus Law.

<sup>2</sup> County relief.

The following States care for Confederate veterans, only: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Virginia, South Carolina, North Carolina, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Tennessee, West Virginia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas.



## REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

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NEWCASTLE, CALIF., *August 1, 1919.*

Comrade ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic, Lincoln, Nebr.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: I have the honor to submit to you my annual report as national patriotic instructor for the year just closing.

Coming as a surprise to me from our worthy commander in chief Clarendon E. Adams, as he assumed the duties of his high office at Portland last September, I accepted this important position with many misgivings, but firmly resolved to do all that lay in my power to dignify the office and do my part in maintaining the principles of the Grand Army of the Republic, by stimulating the comrades to activity, and the citizenry of our country, old and young, to a higher plane of patriotic zeal.

From the beginning of the World War to its close, I did all in my power to help recruit the magnificent army which is now returning from across the sea, bringing back our starry banner, which has never gone down in defeat, resplendent in victory. Throughout the war, I have filled the position of chairman of the local Red Cross, as well as chairman in most of the Liberty loan and other drives, and of a Four Minute Man, which has resulted in meeting every apportionment, and beyond, "Over the Top." These have called forth a large amount of the patriotic vitality within me.

I have participated in exercises in one college, two high schools, and in several grammar schools; assisted in the installation of officers in three posts; presided over several patriotic meetings; been attentive to nearly all of our special Grand Army days, such as Lincoln, Washington, and McKinley birthday celebrations, Memorial Sunday and Memorial Day exercises, Flag Day program, and have done what I could in the welcome home of our gallant boys from across the seas.

I have sent out eight circular letters, copies of which are included in this report, and written 142 letters to my comrades on different patriotic and Grand Army of the Republic matters, in reply to correspondents, and many other things naturally belonging to my office, of which I have made no record.

From the reports received to date from 31 departments, I can say that there has been a general patriotic response of the public to every natural call and patriotic occasion, such as has never been witnessed before. Partyism and sectional lines have been largely dropped and the whole Republic has moved forward with a united front, upholding the present administration in all the war measures. Contributing men, money, and munitions without stint, it has reached the high-water mark of all history.



GEORGE D. KELLOGG,  
National Patriotic Instructor.





In all of this how prominent has been shown the hand of the Grand Army of the Republic and its Auxiliary and its allied orders, in giving sons for service, and daughters for Red Cross work, nurses for the care of the sick and wounded, and money to supply the sinews of war. How proud we should be of such a record, and how glad that in our younger days we risked our all in rescuing this Nation from threatened destruction in its hour of peril, and confirmed the faith of our forefathers in a democracy which had for its foundation, union, liberty, justice and equal rights for all.

We are proud to think that through the gallantry of our boys, that autocracy has been compelled to lay down its scepter at the feet of proposed world-wide democracy. What is going to make a democracy perfect and perpetual, acceptable to all people? Some will answer very naturally, that education will do it. I concur in that view as far as it goes, but with that we must add that Christian ideals must be incorporated in our educational system along the lines of the Golden Rule, "with peace on earth and good will to men," as taught by the Prince of Peace, in Holy Writ, as our motto.

This calls for the crucifixion of all political world-wide ambition for world conquest in our rulers and the elimination of selfishness and greed in the individual citizen. With equal rights for all, and no special privileges, care for the moral and physical conditions of those within our borders, how such a democracy would commend itself to the world!

Our Nation is tending to this goal and the Grand Army of the Republic and its allied forces are doing much to hasten the day of deliverance from the evils of race condition, creed or color prejudice, which brings us up to the platform laid by our Revolutionary forefathers, that all men are created free and equal, and endowed with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Carrying this program to its logical conclusion, and with greater care as to who may be admitted to these privileges in our blessed land, will do much toward the elimination of Bolshevism and the I. W. W. menace that has been seeking to get its clutch upon our land under the influence of the German propaganda. If Americans only stand shoulder to shoulder, true to the higher American ideals of civil government, Americanizing all who are permitted to live within our borders, we are safe. And this is the doctrine we teach.

Reports show that nearly all the States in the Union now have a law requiring a Flag on every schoolhouse, and a proper salute given to it. Most of the churches display the Stars and Stripes in their auditorium and Sunday school rooms, thus intermingling religion and patriotism, as it should be. The children participate in the exercises on Memorial Day and Flag Day, generally.

#### OUR AUXILIARY AND ALLIES.

The Woman's Relief Corps, God bless them; the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, members of our own household; the Sons of Veterans and its Auxiliary, and the Daughters of Veterans; the pride of our life; yes, all our allies, how they have helped us, words can not tell. You will find them energetic and efficient in all patriotic endeavor. What could we do without them? God



bless them all! My position has put me in close communication with them. Their words of encouragement, their thoughtfulness, their helpfulness, what an inspiration, and their usefulness and beneficence will become more and more so as the days go by, and will stand out as a monument in our memory, and to those who come after us.

#### NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

Propositions have been made to me, as they have to others, no doubt, that I assist in the organization of camps, tents, etc., of the boys of the World War as they return home. I have felt that it was a matter that should be done by themselves when they should be able to unite all the forces of that service in a single and effective fraternal organization, for their own mutual benefit and pleasure, and which shall help to carry on the patriotic work of the land, as has been done by the Grand Army of the Republic for the past 50 years, and ably assisted by the Spanish War Veterans since the organization of that splendid body of men. I have used my influence to the end that there should be the same harmony and fraternity of feeling and sympathy existing between the new organization and those of us that are already organized by the survivors of other wars. It has been my effort when opportunity presented itself to embrace those gallant men into fraternal fellowship with us as comrades on all patriotic occasions.

#### EDUCATION.

Not wishing to take up all lines of patriotic work, I must speak as a patriot about our duty in the line of education. Though we may do but little, our allied organizations, now in the prime of life, may do much, and I would call their attention to the matter. I find that in some sections of our country there is no law for compulsory education. It was humiliating to see such percentage of illiteracy as was developed in the Army examinations during the war just closed. Of course, we must realize that a greater proportion of illiteracy found there was of the foreign born. If we have such to assimilate, we can best do so by a liberal compulsory education.

Education may not be all there is to cure the ills or to safeguard the Nation, but it enlightens the coming citizen in the operation of self-government; it teaches them the bounties bestowed upon them by the application of democratic principles in a Republic like ours. It enables them to see the meaning of our flag, and the protection afforded them which it gives. An education is unquestionably a protection against unjust usage, either by the State or by individuals, and a medium through which one can seek a legal and peaceable remedy for the troubles that may afflict him. It should be considered a primary function of the Federal Government, and our educational system will never be complete until dominated by Federal control. A pure, intelligent democracy can only reach the higher ideals and can only be maintained by a class of citizens who are trained to think for themselves. Nothing yet invented can do more to banish bolshevism and the I. W. W. menace from our land, than to have the men, women, and children 100 per cent educated and Christianized. When we reach that goal, our people would be safe and happy and prosperous; the whole world could assail us in vain.

## THE TRAGEDY OF ANDERSONVILLE.

I desire to call attention to the recent publication giving the true history of the trial of that Hun prison keeper at Andersonville, Capt. Henry Wirz. The author of the book is no other than our own veteran, Gen. N. P. Chipman, presiding justice of the appellate court of the third district of California, the adjutant general of the G. A. R., who wrote the first Memorial Day order for Gen. John A. Logan. Comrade Chipman acted as the judge advocate of the military court that tried and sentenced Wirz. The book is a complete exposition of the evidence and proceedings of the great trial. The book was published at the request of the Grand Army of the Republic and is authentic. The reading of this book is enough to crumble the monument recently put up over the inhuman wretch's grave into dust in the heart of every true American. It has been published at great expense. There are several copies left, I am told, that can be had for city libraries for the asking and the postage, or can be bought by any comrade at \$2 per copy. This is not an advertisement. It is voluntarily written as a patriotic service to my comrades and the public in general. We owe it to our descendants that the truth be known. It has some of the most dramatic chapters in the history of the War of the Rebellion. Address Capt. E. L. Hawk, past department commander of California and Nevada, Sacramento, Calif., who has volunteered to distribute the book on application.

## THE AMERICAN'S CREED.

I have received many copies of the so-called American's creed, which I copy and submit to you if my answer is not correct. It has come to me from G. A. R. posts and from allied orders. I consider it a dangerous document to be spread through the schools of our land:

I believe in the United States of America as a Government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a Republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect Union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes. I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its Constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

My objection to it is in only one word; the word "sovereign" before the word "States." To some I have replied:

I have your circular letter to the members of the G. A. R. and other kindred organizations, and the schools in our land, asking that it be committed and repeated daily in our schools and homes. It is the so-called American's creed, which was no doubt inspired with patriotic motive and rehearsed by some of the best and most patriotic people in the world, much as the Apostles' Creed is repeated in the churches of America. I am compelled to question the use of it in its entirety because of the word "sovereign," when applied to States of this Union. We understand the meaning of the word "sovereign," as meaning supreme in power, possessing supreme dominion. The claim of State sovereignty cost the lives of hundreds of thousands of our comrades in the sixties and saved this Nation from destruction in its time of peril, and preserved us as one Nation with one flag, and has made us a world power and a blessing to other nations and humanity. Striking out that word "sovereign," as applied to States, the creed is splendid, letting it read, "a democracy in a Republic, and a sovereign Nation of many States, a perfect Union," etc., we could all subscribe to it. Four years of war settled the matter of State-rights doctrines. We do not wish to see the controversy arise again.



I append herewith a copy of all my circular letters which I have issued during my term of office and sent out to approximately 250 correspondents, including patriotic instructors of posts, departments, and affiliated orders.

#### CONCLUSION.

I wish, first of all, to convey to our worthy commander in chief, Comrade Clarendon E. Adams, my hearty thanks and appreciation for the high honor he conferred upon me in assigning me to this position. My work must speak for itself. I have always endeavored to show my appreciation by works and deeds. I am a busy man and I could not devote the time to the office that the position really demanded, but I have done what I could and what I thought ought to be done. I regard the office of patriotic instructor as one of the highest importance in any order.

It has been a conviction that has actuated me in life, in a measure, that when we laid down our arms and passed through the transition from a soldier to a civilian, we were not absolved from our allegiance to our country, nor from our duties to the citizens of our Nation. As has been said, we were good soldiers because we were good citizens. We are the better citizens because we were good soldiers. So, in obedience to the orders of my superior officer, I accepted the trust with misgivings, believing that every man ought to contribute as much as we can to every work that makes for mankind as cheerful as we contributed our services to saving our Nation. We stacked arms in 1865 only to take up the work of good citizenship along the lines of civic righteousness. The immortal Lincoln expressed my thought in his motto: "Patriotism is love of our flag in action."

My relations with the commander in chief and his official staff have been most cordial and pleasant, and with all the affiliated orders and with their officary. My greatest trouble was to get a list of patriotic instructors. I suggest that each assistant adjutant general be expected to furnish my successor with the name of the department patriotic instructor as soon as possible after the national encampment. My first circular was devoted wholly to obtaining the names of my associates.

My comrades, we are the representatives of a fast vanishing army which was mustered into service more than half a century ago; which for four years fought the greatest battles of history up to that time. The loving Father has preserved us. Even when a thousand fell at our side and ten thousand at our right hand, our lives were spared. We have had our drill, our discipline, and our baptism of fire. Our Nation has been preserved and not a star in the old Flag is missing. *E Pluribus Unum* is our motto. We are a united people and the hope of the down trodden of all nations. Praise God, it is worth all the sacrifices we have made. Our hour of dress parade will soon be over. Tattoo will be sounded, then the taps. Our lights will then be extinguished as we lie down to rest. May we so keep our conduct and weapons of life's warfare so perfectly burnished and polished, that we may pass muster as we are awakened by the reveille on the evergreen shores of Heaven's eternal camping ground.

Submitted in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

GEORGE D. KELLOGG,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

## CIRCULAR No. 2.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR  
Newcastle, Calif.

*To the Patriotic Instructors, Grand Army of the Republic and affiliated orders.*

COMRADES AND COMPATRIOTS: This is Thanksgiving Day—a day which is very becoming in us to celebrate with profound thanksgiving to the Ruler of the Universe. The power of Prussia has been broken; autocracy has been overthrown; tyrants have fallen, and free nations are being born.

Peace, so long and earnestly prayed for, has again come and the American eagle soars higher than ever, justly proud of the fact that it has kept faith with itself and the world. It is therefore meet and proper that this Nation, at this Thanksgiving time, should lift our voices in one accord to Him who led our armies of democracy to triumph.

Liberty, truth, justice, righteousness, and equality are the foundation stones upon which this Nation was built, and now that we have been forced into a world conflict, it is our duty to see to it that God's gift of freedom should be planted in the groundwork of every nation, large or small, on the face of the earth in the reconstruction of Governments which is now to follow. Much of that work will fall on the younger generation, but it is our duty as patriots to stimulate and foster those sentiments which have made our Nation great. "Old Glory" symbolizes human freedom, we must hold it aloft. The great danger to our Republic as it looms up to us at this time is Bolshevism which considers our Flag nothing but a rag. This sentiment must not be allowed to grow. Four million red-blooded American soldiers have had the meaning of our Flag born into their souls. To them it has a meaning as never before and it will be held sacred. This Bolshevism is a challenge to all law and order, a challenge to intelligence and self-government, a tyranny of ignorance and fanaticism which our Army has been trying to destroy. It is now trying to fasten its poisonous fangs into this Government of ours which has always been as a star of hope to every person in the world. What can we do?

Not till the last veteran of the Civil War has passed on to the great review on the other shore shall we cease to take a part in patriotic instruction. The time has come when the sight of the grey haired veteran, clothed in his suit of blue, inspires not only respect, but a spirit of patriotism if we walk circumspectly. Our impressions, however, will be most lasting upon the younger generation. The schoolroom is our great opportunity if visited with discretion. If we have a message of love of country and its Flag, a story of the great struggle in which we participated more than a half century ago, that is of interest, tell it in a way that shall carry with it a patriotic impression.

If we have no gift of speech and are unable to prove interesting, our silence will be golden. Be full of your subject, speak to the point and be brief. Better be content to sit quiet and explain the meaning of the badge of the G. A. R. that you wear so proudly on your breast as they gather around you, and join in the salute to the Flag which we preserved and that is leading the world in establishing governments of the people, by the people, and for the people.

Wishing you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am,

Yours, in F., C., and L.,

GEORGE D. KELLOGG,  
National Patriotic Instructor.

## CIRCULAR No. 3.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,  
Newcastle, Calif.

*To the Patriotic Instructors, Grand Army of the Republic and affiliated orders.*

COMRADES AND COMPATRIOTS: Passing over the threshold of a new year, I trust that we are able to take up the work of patriotic effort as opportunity may be presented to us.

The Grand Army has recognized the following special days for patriotic observances wherever possible, by our order and its auxiliaries: McKinley Day, January 29; Lincoln Day, February 12; Washington's Birthday, February 22; General Surrender Day, April 9; Grant's Birthday, April 27; Memorial Sunday, the Sunday before Memorial Day; Memorial Day, May 30; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4; Thanksgiving Day, last Thursday in November; Christmas Day, December 25; Armistice Day, November 11, ought to be added.



In many localities it will be impossible to observe all of these on the exact date of their recurrence, some of them could be grouped, as for instance the first three could all be observed by proper reference to each on either Lincoln or Washington Day, or an intermediate date, and General Surrender Day and Grant's Birthday could very appropriately be observed in April.

This must be left to the judgment and discretion of the comrades and their auxiliaries as circumstances and conditions will permit. But let me enjoin you to read carefully circular letter No. 2 from our commander in chief under date of October 14, wherein he so tersely and beautifully sums up the life and character of our contemporary and leader, Abraham Lincoln, our greatest American, emancipator, and preserver of the Union, and forget not to hold services in commemoration of both the savior and the Father of our Country, to each of whom we owe so much of gratitude and praise.

Wishing you all a happy New Year and inviting your suggestions and cooperation and correspondence.

Yours, in F., C., and L.,

GEORGE D. KELLOGG,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

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#### CIRCULAR NO. 4.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,  
*Newcastle, Calif., January 25, 1919.*

*To the Patriotic Instructors, Grand Army of the Republic and affiliated orders.*

COMRADES AND COMPATRIOTS: January, 1919, is passing rapidly into history; before this circular can reach many of you McKinley Day, which occurs on January 29, will already have been celebrated, I trust in an appropriate and appreciative way; stricken down in the vigor and prime of a noble manhood and political life, at the hand of a Bolshevik of his day. His memory should be kept green as the political missionary to foreign lands that liberated colonies and States from ignorance, superstition, peonage, and subjection, and gave them independence and put them on the way of enlightenment and self-government. Fortunately another great American, the late Col. Theodore Roosevelt, for whom taps have just been sounded, closed up the work of his glorious career. The administrations of these two, together with the valiant American soldiers and sailors, carried our Flag across the seas, proclaiming liberty and justice to all under its protecting folds.

During the month of February there will follow the birthday celebrations of those two great Americans, the Father of our Country, George Washington, who for eight long, trying years, midst the snows of Valley Forge, and the many other campaigns down to the siege of Yorktown, where he compelled the surrender of all armies of resistance to our national independence, and laid the foundation for this great Republic secure and deep on the solid rock of liberty, justice, and equality. I have no need to name that other great American, so closely identified with us, and our beloved leader in the most trying and critical time of our national history, the emancipator and immortal Abraham Lincoln, the savior of our Republic, who "With malice toward none and charity for all," in the greatness of his heart released the bonds that bound the poor and downtrodden that had been held in involuntary servitude, and made this a Nation with freedom for all, just as our forefathers had proclaimed in their Declaration of Independence. Yea, he did more, he preserved the Union, and made "Old Glory" the symbol of liberty, equal rights, and protection to all Governments which are of the people, by the people, and for the people.

Let us give honor to whom honor is due.

Yours, in F., C., and L.,

GEORGE D. KELLOGG,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

## CIRCULAR No. 5.

## FLAG ETIQUETTE.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,  
Newcastle, Calif.

*To the Patriotic Instructors, Grand Army of the Republic and Affiliated Orders.*

COMRADES AND COMPATRIOTS: Having had several inquiries concerning the proper method of displaying, hanging, and saluting the United States flag, I have taken the matter up with the War Department at Washington, D. C., and have received the official Flag Circular from The Adjutant General's office, from which I quote the pertinent points contained therein:

“FEDERAL LAWS AND ARMY PRACTICES.

“While it is within the province of the War Department to prescribe rules and regulations within the Army, it is beyond its province to prescribe any such rules and regulations for the guidance of civilians.

“There is no Federal law now in force pertaining to the hanging, displaying, or saluting the United States flag or prescribing any ceremonies that should be observed in connection therewith.

“There are but two Federal laws upon the statute books that have any bearing upon this subject—one of the act of Congress approved February 20, 1905, providing that a trade-mark can not be registered upon the flag; the other the act of Congress approved February 8, 1917, providing certain penalties for desecration, mutilation or improper use of the flag within the District of Columbia. Several States of the Union have enacted laws which have more or less bearing upon the general subject to govern action within their own jurisdiction.

“It is the practice in the Army, each day in the year, to hoist the flag briskly at sunrise irrespective of the condition of the weather, and to lower it slowly and ceremoniously at sunset; to display it on Memorial Day (May 30) at half-mast from sunrise until noon, and at full-mast from noon until sunset—the flag always being hoisted first to the top of the mast before being lowered to the half staff position.

“DISPLAYING FOR DECORATIVE PURPOSES.

“For decorative purposes, with no Federal law governing, it is suggested that as far as possible that the hanging of the flag should be restricted to suspending from a flag-pole in the regular way. For decorative purposes the National colors should be arranged in the form of bunting and not in the form of the flag; or it should always be hung flat, whether on the inside or the outside of the buildings, with the union to the north or east. Under no circumstances should it be hung where it can easily be contaminated or soiled, or be draped over chairs or benches to be used for seating purposes, and no object or emblem should be placed above or upon it. This department sees no objection to flying the flag at night on civilian property, provided it is not flown for advertising purposes. Where several flags or emblems are displayed on a pole, or otherwise, the United States flag should always be hoisted first and hung or displayed at the top. In any parade the United States flag should have the place of honor. It should never be displayed or hung with the union down, except as a signal of distress at sea.

“SALUTING THE FLAG—THE HAND SALUTE.

“Existing regulations governing the Army provide that when officers and enlisted men pass the national flag, not encased, they will render honors as follows: If in civilian dress and covered, they will uncover, holding the headdress opposite the left shoulder with the right hand; if uncovered they will salute with the right hand salute. A flag unfurled and hanging in a room in which officers and enlisted men of the Army are present will be saluted by them the first time they may have occasion to pass it, but not thereafter.

“The hand salute is as follows: Raise the right hand smartly till the tip of the forefinger touches the lower part of the headdress above the right eye, thumb and fingers extended and joining, palm to left, forearm inclined to about 45 degrees, hand and wrist straight, at the same time look toward the person saluted; drop the arm smartly to the side.



“THE NATIONAL AIR, BY COMMON CONSENT.

“No anthem, hymn or musical air has been recognized by Federal law as the national anthem, but Army and Navy regulations provide that the musical composition familiarly known as the “Star-Spangled Banner” shall be designated as the national air of the United States of America. These regulations are binding only upon the personnel of the military and naval service.

“Whenever the national air is played in any place where persons belonging to the military or naval service are present, all officers and enlisted men not in formation are required to stand at attention, facing toward the music, except when the flag is being lowered at sunset, when they are required to face toward the flag. If in civilian dress and uncovered, they are required to stand, uncovered, at the first note of the air, retaining the position until the last note of the air is played. If in civilian dress and covered, they are required to stand and uncover at the first note of the air, holding the headdress opposite the left shoulder until the last note is played, except in inclement weather, when the headdress may be held slightly raised. The custom of rising and standing uncovered while the “Star-Spangled Banner” is being played is growing in favor with civilians.

“OLD FLAGS NOT TO BE DISPLAYED.

“Old and worn-out flags should not be used for any purpose. They should be destroyed as a whole, privately, preferably by burning or some other method lacking in any suggestion of irreverence or disrespect due the emblem representing our country. These views are merely suggestive and it is not the intention of the department to give them as authoritative.”

(Signed by The Adjutant-General.)

I would add some personal suggestions. The nearer we can follow the Army and Navy customs the better. It should be considered a desecration to our flag to use paper napkins with our flag printed thereon. Comrades should decline to use them to wipe their mouths or greasy fingers upon. Our flag should not be used as coverings to pedestals, tables, or stands with pitchers of water, flower pots or other decorations upon it; you can not embellish our flag in that way. It is in bad odor to see it wave over a beer joint or saloon.

Old Glory? The flag of Washington, Lincoln, Grant, McKinley, Wilson—the flag of the best nation on earth, our flag? Let us honor it, cherish it, lay down our lives for it, if necessary.

Yours in F., C., and L.,

GEO. D. KELLOGG,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

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CIRCULAR No. 6.

MEMORIAL DAY.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,  
*Newcastle, Calif., April, 1919.*

*To the Patriotic Instructors, Grand Army of the Republic and Affiliated Orders.*

COMRADES AND COMPATRIOTS: Fifty-four years ago to-day was General Surrender Day, when the main veteran armies of the Confederate States laid down their arms at the feet of our illustrious commander, Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, whose birthday we celebrate on the 27th of this month. At Appomattox, this victorious warrior, in the magnanimity of his soul, said to the conquered: “Take your horses and useful equipment home with you, you will need them to cultivate your fields and prepare for the harvest, and let us have peace,” while to his own gallant army he said: “Victory has crowned your valor and secured the purpose of your patriotic hearts; and with the gratitude of your countrymen, and the highest honors a great and free Nation can accord, you will soon be permitted to return to your homes and families conscious of having discharged the highest duties of American citizens. To achieve these glorious triumphs and secure to yourselves, fellow-countrymen, and posterity, the blessings of free institutions, tens of thousands of your gallant comrades have fallen and sealed the priceless legacy with their blood. The graves of these a grateful Nation bedews with tears, honors their memories and will ever cherish and support their stricken families.”

In recognition of the great service to our Nation performed by our deceased comrades, our past commander in chief, Gen. John A. Logan, through his adjutant general,

Gen. N. P. Chipman, instituted a Memorial Day service, which has been observed on May 30 each recurring year, a day in which the school children join with the adults of our land in decorating the graves of these heroes and memorializing their services.

Following these customs our beloved commander in chief, Comrade Clarendon E. Adams, in his beautifully worded orders requests the Grand Army of the Republic and their Auxiliaries to properly observe the day on Friday, May 30, next.

It is a beautiful custom which we hope may be followed wherever possible for pastors of the churches to be invited to preach a Memorial sermon on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day, which this year will occur on May 25, often uniting the congregations of all denominations in a union service, where the members of the G. A. R. and their auxiliaries will gather in force to honor the occasion. Beloved comrades and patriotic instructors, let us make this year one long to be remembered as a banner year in the public observance of this sacred Memorial Day service.

Department patriotic instructors will kindly report to me as soon as possible after Memorial Day, that I may make an intelligent report to our adjutant general and oblige.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

GEO. D. KELLOGG,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

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CIRCULAR No. 7.

FLAG DAY.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,  
*Newcastle, Calif., May 5, 1919.*

*To the Patriotic Instructors, Grand Army of the Republic and Affiliated Orders.*

COMRADES AND COMPATRIOTS: What to the loyal American citizen, whether in foreign lands or at home, can be more inspiring than the sight of our Star-Spangled Banner, "Old Glory," if you please to call it?

Illustrious flag of song and story,  
The pride of our land, we hail it "Old Glory."  
Oh! long may it wave o'er the land of the free,  
Emblem of justice, truth, and purity.

On June 14, 1777, our flag was clothed with the first vesture of national manhood by the Continental Congress passing the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white.

"That the Union be 13 stars white, in a blue field, representing a new constellation."

Subsequent official action by Congress added one star for every State admitted to the Union, until we now have 48 stars in our national emblem; see how they shine, through the sacrifice, suffering, and heroism of our comrades of the sixties. Not one of them is missing; they shine with an added luster since the comrades of 1898 and the comrades of the returning World War heroes from foreign lands this year of Grace, 1919. From the days of Lexington and Concord, where the first shots were fired by our illustrious grandsires for liberty, justice, and democracy, down the ages to the last shot fired by our sons on European soil, which broke the spell of autocracy and tyranny, our flag has never been lowered to the enemy in battle, but has always emerged from the conflict triumphant in final victory. It has never been unfurled by the American Army but that civilization has been advanced, somebody lifted out of bondage and oppression, and the rights of the people protected and guaranteed; it is the symbol of equal rights, justice and liberty to all, the hope of every nation on every continent. Let it be the object of our pride, the inspiration of our patriotism, an incentive to duty and devotion to our Republic.

Forever float that standard sheet!  
Where breathes the foe but falls before us,  
With Freedom's soil beneath our feet,  
And Freedom's banner streaming o'er us?

Let us make June 14 a special day in the public school, Sunday school, in the church, and upon the public plaza.

Yours, in F., C., and L.,

GEO. D. KELLOGG,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*



## MEMORIAL DAY.

EMMA O. LENTE.

A day of tender memory,  
 A day of sacred hours,  
 Of little bands of marching men,  
 Of drums, and flags, and flowers.

A day when a great Nation halts  
 Its mighty, throbbing pace,  
 And pays its meed of gratitude  
 And love with willing grace.

A day when battles are retold  
 And eulogies are said,  
 When dirges sound and chaplains read  
 The office of the dead.

A day when fairest and sweetest blooms  
 Are laid upon each grave,  
 And wreaths are hung on monuments  
 And banners half-mast wave.

A day to keep from year to year  
 In memory of the dead.  
 Let music sound and flowers be laid  
 Upon each resting bed.

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 LINCOLN AT GETTYSBURG.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new Nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that Nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that Nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But in a larger sense we can not dedicate; we can not consecrate; we can not hallow this ground. The brave men—living and dead—who struggled here have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but they can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.—Address of President Lincoln at Gettysburg, November 19, 1863.

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 CIRCULAR No. 8.

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR,  
*Newcastle, Calif., July 15, 1919.*

Good old "Father Time" is rapidly rounding out another year for many of us, while a large number of our comrades have answered the last roll call since last we met. Great changes, great achievements have been wrought, and a great victory has been won since our Portland session. Autocracy has been compelled to lower the scepter and in a large measure has given way to democracy, and the world moves on to better conditions and higher ideals of government, in all of which our own America has taken a leading part, and "Old Glory" shines with a brighter luster as our boys bring it back from across the seas. Still the millenium has not yet come, and the lion and the lamb do not lie down together without a growl. Whether a league of nations may

be a panacea for all our wants, sufficient to take political ambitions, selfishness, and greed out of the heart of nations and cause us all to lie down in green pastures beside the still waters, or whether some other method must be employed, will no doubt be adopted before we meet in Columbus. Whatever it may be, it will be the beginning of organized humanity, it will be a start for something better than war. If we do not begin it now our successors will have to wait when the world gets better. A wise man has said that "The league of nations is a hundred years behind the times, but a thousand years ahead of anything ever tried before." Be this as it may, I share with you in the hopes, doubts, and fears, and trust that a league of some character, built on broad lines of Christianized humanity, may be entered into, that war shall be eliminated in the adjustment of all international affairs. The most enduring treaty of peace will come when the world has been educated up to and accepts the Christian ideals as taught by the Prince of Peace in Holy Writ.

One of the blessings of late wars was uniting our people. We no longer know North, South, East, or West; our people are one; our Nation is one and inseparable; "E Pluribus Unum" is our watchword; we are all Americans, a title to be proud of, and as Americans we must stand shoulder to shoulder and Americanize all permitted to live within our borders. America is a wonderful, a unique country. In a sense, therein lies our danger. All nations are flocking to our lands—the good and the bad—so fast that we can hardly assimilate them; some come only to exploit our land for gain and selfish purposes. They do not know the meaning of liberty, law, or order. Let us hold to the traditions of America as good citizens.

I hope to meet as many of my comrades as possible at Columbus. Our work is not all done; there is much we can do. Can we not see to it that suitable memorials be established, histories corrected, patriotic days suitably observed, memorial halls established, our flag kept afloat and properly saluted at every schoolhouse, the laws of our land obeyed, to close up the ranks of the G. A. R., attend post, and be fraternal with our grand auxiliaries?

I expect to be found at room 320, Hotel Deshler, Columbus, during the national encampment. I hope to secure an hour for the patriotic instructors to meet, the time and place to be announced the first day of the session. I hope we may be able to extend some courtesies to our worthy commander in chief, Clarendon E. Adams, and his staff. Comrades, hunt me up, and believe me to be,

Truly, yours, in F., C., and L.,

GEO. D. KELLOGG,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*



## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF.

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CHESTER, N. H., *July 30, 1919.*

Comrade ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,

*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic, Lincoln, Nebr.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Complying with a custom honored by my predecessors, and gratefully acknowledging the high honor conferred upon me by our beloved commander in chief in appointing me his chief of staff, I herewith submit my report for the year's service. This of necessity must be brief, and in a sense a repetition of reports made by my predecessors.

Last year the Grand Army of the Republic specially honored itself by electing at Portland, Oreg., as its commander in chief, a comrade who not only proved his loyalty on the bloody battle field in his boyhood days, but was again inspired by his patriotic zeal and loyalty to his country to enter into active service in the late World War. There comes to me in my official capacity, from every State in the Union, letters full of love and expression of loyalty to him, and of deep regret that the time is so near to him to lay down the honors and burdens of the great office to which he was unanimously elected a year ago.

I have strictly obeyed all orders, and filled all details as far as possible. It was a source of great pleasure to accompany the commander in chief on his official visits to the department encampments of Rhode Island, Massachusetts and New Hampshire; also, at his request, to represent him at the department of Vermont, May 21 and 22, where I met with the most cordial welcome, not only from Department Commander Pierce, and Asst. Adjt. Gen. H. P. Hunter, but from all the comrades and the affiliated organizations.

At the request of the commander in chief, I went to Columbus, Ohio, February 24, where, with other national officers, we met the executive committee of the Fifty-third National Encampment.

In the performance of my few duties during the year, I have received much real pleasure and benefit to myself.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to you, who through your great kindness and courtesy, as adjutant general, have made my labors light, and to all the officers of the administration with whom I have had communication, I extend my heartfelt thanks.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

GEORGE A. HOSLEY,  
*Chief of Staff.*



GEORGE A. HOSLEY,  
Chief of Staff.





JOSEPH TEETER,  
Senior Aid-de-Camp.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PERMANENT FUND.

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BRIDGEPORT, CONN., *August, 1919.*

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lincoln, Nebr.*

COMRADE: Herewith we submit the report of Comrade Wm. J. Patterson, treasurer of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic, showing in detail the securities, receipts and expenditures of the fund during the year ended July 31, 1919.

On the 30th of November last, the commander in chief issued a requisition on the treasurer to pay to Comrade Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, for general expenses, such interest on investments then collected and that should accrue during the current year and to sell \$3,000 of the securities and turn the proceeds over to the same officer. Accordingly the sale of \$3,000 of the 4½ per cent corporate stock of the City of New York was effected at 100⅝ and the terms of the requisition met so far as funds were available. The quartermaster general, on receiving checks for \$3,700, advised the treasurer that additional remittances were not necessary until further notice.

The donation of Comrade James Alton who died at the United States Military Home at Dayton, Ohio, was received from the Dollar Savings Bank of Pittsburgh in settlement of a small account the comrade had to his credit in that bank at the time of his death.

We also note with pleasure the fact that the late Comrade Allan C. Bakewell, past department commander of the Department of New York, bequeathed \$2,000 to the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic. The amount will be paid to the treasurer in due course when the estate is settled.

Yours fraternally.

ALFRED B. BEERS,  
WILLIAM J. PATTERSON,  
JAMES D. BELL,

*Trustees.*



## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE PERMANENT FUND.

PITTSBURGH, PA., August 1, 1919.

ALFRED B. BEERS,  
*Chairman Board of Trustees, Permanent Fund,  
 Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR COMRADE: I have the honor to present my report of the securities, receipts, and expenditures of the permanent fund, Grand Army of the Republic for the year ended July 31, 1919.

## PRINCIPAL.

## DEBIT.

1918.			
Aug.	1.	To corporate stock, city of New York.....	\$23,000.00
		To Cleveland school bonds.....	4,000.00
		To Philadelphia registered loan.....	9,800.00
		To third United States Liberty loan.....	500.00
		Total.....	37,300.00
1919.			
Jan.	18.	By corporate stock city of New York sold.....	3,000.00
Aug.	1.	Amount of securities on deposit.....	34,300.00

## RECEIPTS.

1918.			
Aug.	1.	To balance of cash on deposit.....	116.45
	21.	To interest Cleveland school bonds.....	\$90.00
Sept.	16.	To interest United States Liberty loan.....	7.45
Nov.	1.	To interest New York City corporate stock.....	517.50
1919.			
Jan.	2.	To interest Philadelphia registered loan.....	196.00
	18.	To interest New York City bonds sold.....	28.13
Feb.	21.	To interest Cleveland school bonds.....	90.00
Mar.	14.	To interest United States Liberty loan.....	10.62
May	1.	To interest New York City corporate stock.....	450.00
July	1.	To interest Philadelphia registered loan.....	196.00
			1,585.70
Jan.	18.	To proceeds sale of New York corporate stock.....	3,018.75
July	9.	To donation of Comrade James Alton.....	10.30
		To interest on deposits.....	5.41
		Total income.....	4,736.61

## EXPENDITURES.

1919.			
Jan.	18.	By brokerage on sale of bonds.....	\$3.75
	18.	By checks to quartermaster general.....	3,700.00
	22.	By 5 per cent to Union Trust Co. for collection of interest.....	79.29
			3,783.04
Aug.	1.	Cash balance on deposit.....	953.57
			4,736.61

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.;

WM. J. PATTERSON,  
*Treasurer.*

## CERTIFICATE OF THE UNION TRUST CO. OF PITTSBURGH.

The Union Trust Co., of Pittsburgh, depositary for the trustees of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic and surety for William J. Patterson, treasurer, hereby certifies that the foregoing statement, showing \$34,300 in securities and \$953.57 cash on deposit with this company, is correct.

THE UNION TRUST CO. OF PITTSBURGH,  
*Depositary and Surety,*  
 By W. W. GRINSTEAD,  
*Assistant Trust Officer.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION.

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ALBION, MICH., *August 1, 1919.*

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Lincoln, Nebr.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: The committee on legislation would respectfully report that but few matters were referred to it for consideration at the last session of the national encampment.

The time of the last session of the Congress which expired on March 21, 1919, was almost wholly taken up in consideration of the necessary appropriation bills, so that but little legislation of a general nature was enacted.

Earnest and repeated efforts were made to get the bill increasing the rates of pensions, as provided in the maimed soldiers' bill, up for action by the Congress, but failed. It is believed that as soon as action can be gotten on this measure, substantial increases will be made to this deserving class of our comrades. It was also hoped and expected that the surviving Army nurses of the Civil War would have the pensions they now receive materially increased.

Owing to his protracted absence from the country, your committee failed to see the President and carry out the encampment's instructions relative to the preservation of the *Hartford*, the flagship of Admiral Farragut in the battles of New Orleans and Mobile Bay.

A concurrent resolution was passed by Congress providing for the publication of the Journal of the Fifty-third National Encampment without cost to the Grand Army of the Republic. It is hoped that when the Public Printer is relieved of the pressure imposed by the late war the Journal will be issued earlier.

During the second session of the last Congress an effort was made to remove the Civil War veterans from the Battle Mountain Sanitarium, located at Hot Springs, S. Dak., and place them in other National Homes for disabled volunteers. It was the purpose also of the abettors of this move to transfer control over this institution from the Board of Managers of the National Homes to the Secretary of War.

It was felt that the contemplated removal would work great and uncalled for hardship upon the aged and infirm veterans domiciled there, and it was only prevented by the alert and energetic action of Comrade John McElroy, a member of the committee on legislation, resident in Washington, who, acting on a message from the commander in chief, succeeded in arousing the friends of our comrades in the House of Representatives, and they promptly rallied to the defense and protection of our comrades and kept the Battle Mountain Sanitarium under the supervision of the managers of the National Soldiers' Homes.



The committee has been active in an effort to get a readjustment of rates and an increase of pensions for veterans of the Civil War and the widows of veterans deceased, the maimed among our comrades, and the Army nurses of the Civil War period more nearly commensurate with the present cost of living. It is hoped that the Congress will see its way clear at an early day to make a substantial increase to each and all of the classes named.

Respectfully submitted.

WASHINGTON GARDNER,  
JOHN McELROY,  
PATRICK H. BARRY,  
ELIAS R. MONFORT,  
WILLIAM M. SCOTT,  
A. G. WEISSERT,  
*Committee.*

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## GENERAL ORDERS, SERIES OF 1918-19.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }  
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TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Portland, Oreg., August 22, 1918.*

I. Having been elected commander in chief by the Fifty-second National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in the state-house, Lincoln, Nebr.

III. The following appointments are hereby announced: Adjutant general, A. M. Trimble, Lincoln, Nebr.; quartermaster general, Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.; assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records, J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.

IV. Future appointments will be announced in future general orders.

C. E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*



I. At the Fifty-second Annual National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic held in the city of Portland, Oreg., August 18 to 24, 1918, the following named comrades were duly elected and later installed into the offices here designated, as follows:

Commander in chief: Clarendon E. Adams, Omaha, Nebr.  
Senior vice commander in chief: J. G. Chambers, Portland, Oreg.  
Junior vice commander in chief: Chas. H. Haber, National Soldiers' Home, Va.  
Surgeon general: C. M. Ferrin, Essex Junction, Vt.  
Chaplain in chief: Philip A. Nordell, Brookline, Mass.  
National council of administration:  
Alabama: F. G. Sheppard, Birmingham.  
Arkansas: Cos. Altenberg, Little Rock.  
California and Nevada: W. A. Huddart, Berkeley, Cal.  
Colorado and Wyoming: D. N. Heiser, Colorado Springs.  
Connecticut: Harry L. Beach, Hartford.  
Delaware: Wm. A. Truitt, Milford.  
Florida: A. C. Shaffer, Lakeland.  
Georgia and South Carolina: W. M. Scott, Atlanta, Ga.  
Idaho: G. F. Kimery, Boise.  
Illinois: John B. Inman, Springfield.  
Indiana: Milton Garrigus, Kokomo.  
Iowa: J. W. Willett, Tama.  
Kansas: George F. Pendarvis, Parsons.  
Kentucky: Americus Whedon, Washington, D. C.  
Maine: H. E. Merriam, Gardiner.  
Maryland: John A. Thompson, jr., Baltimore.  
Massachusetts: Francis E. Mole, Adams.  
Michigan: R. A. Parker, Detroit.  
Minnesota: Philip G. Woodward, Anoka.  
Missouri: John M. Williams, California.  
Montana: George H. Taylor, Helena.  
Nebraska: John A. Ehrhardt, Stanton.  
New Hampshire: William Blair, Berlin.  
New Jersey: Alfred Atkins, Roselle Park.  
New Mexico: Lee H. Rudisille, White Oaks.  
New York: George A. Price, Brooklyn.  
North Dakota: H. F. Dinsmore, Ellendale.  
Ohio: John C. Roland, Cleveland.  
Oklahoma: F. M. Cline, Woodward.  
Oregon: F. H. Lamb, Inverness, Calif.  
Pennsylvania: J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda.  
Potomac: John Middleton, Washington.  
Rhode Island: John A. Medbery, East Providence.  
South Dakota: E. L. Hurlbut, Rapid City.  
Tennessee: Newton Hacker, Jonesboro.  
Texas: M. B. Young, Weatherford.  
Utah: Elias Price, Salt Lake City.  
Vermont: E. E. Pierce, Springfield.  
Virginia and North Carolina: W. H. House, Portsmouth.  
Washington and Alaska: J. E. Gandy, Spokane.  
West Virginia: L. B. Moore, Parkersburg.  
Wisconsin: D. G. James, Richland.

II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief are hereby announced:

Adjutant general: Albert M. Trimble, Lincoln, Nebr.  
Quartermaster general: Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
Judge advocate general: Thomas S. Hopkins, Washington, D. C.  
Inspector general: Thomas H. Brown, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.  
National patriotic instructor: George D. Kellogg, Newcastle, Calif.  
Assistant adjutant general: George A. Newman, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Assistant quartermaster general: J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Chief of staff: George A. Hosley, Boston, Mass.  
Senior aid-de-camp: Joseph Teeter, McCook, Nebr.

III. At a meeting of the national council of administration held at Portland, August 24, 1918, it was voted that the executive committee of said council of administration should consist of the commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, adjutant general, quartermaster general, and seven members of the council, appointed by the commander in chief.

In accordance with this action, the executive committee will be constituted as follows:

Clarendon E. Adams, commander in chief, Omaha, Nebr., chairman.

J. G. Chambers, senior vice commander in chief, Portland, Oreg.

Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general, Lincoln, Nebr.

Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, Buffalo, N. Y.

George A. Price, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Philip G. Woodward, Anoka, Minn.

J. W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.

John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.

J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda, Pa.

John A. Ehrhardt, Stanton, Nebr.

Americus Whedon, Washington, D. C.

IV. The following committees are hereby appointed:

Committee on legislation:

Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich., chairman

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn.

John McElroy, Washington, D. C.

Patrick H. Barry, Los Angeles, Calif.

Elias R. Monfort, Cincinnati, Ohio.

William M. Scott, Atlanta, Ga.

A. G. Weissert, Milwaukee, Wis.

Committee on rules and regulations and ritual:

Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn., chairman.

W. A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.

Leo Rassieur, St. Louis, Mo.

F. H. Hurd, Seattle, Wash.

John M. Vernon, Chicago, Ill.

V. The following comrades were elected trustees of the permanent fund:

James D. Bell, Brooklyn, N. Y., for three years.

Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn., for two years.

William J. Patterson, Pittsburgh, Pa., for one year.

VI. Department commanders will forward to these headquarters at their earliest convenience recommendations of comrades for appointment as aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief. In each case they will give post number and post office address, so that notice of appointment may be sent to the comrades nominated.

VII. National headquarters are established at 909 Security Mutual Life Building, Lincoln, Nebr., where all official communications will be addressed to the adjutant general.

All communications intended for the commander in chief will be mailed to him direct at Omaha, 826 World-Herald Building.

VIII. The commander in chief desires to express his profound sensibility of the great honor conferred upon him by the representatives of the Fifty-second National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in the city of Portland, Oreg.

Your commander fully realizes the great responsibilities of this high office, and the assistance and earnest cooperation of all his comrades will greatly assist him in the performance of his duties. He desires to call attention to the fact that at no time in our history have we been called upon to perform such great responsibilities as now. We have been the loyal conservators of our country's patriotism for more than a half century, and let us now firmly resolve to meet every obligation that we owe to our country in this great conflict. Uphold the hands of the President of the United States in his vigorous prosecution of the war with Germany, to the end that autocratic governments shall give way to freedom and justice, guaranteeing to all peoples the right of self-government.

And now, comrades, I beseech you to muster every Civil War veteran who is not now a member of our noble order, that he may be in touch with us in our loyal duties and activities in winning this war for the world's freedom, justice, and right.

By command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*



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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
Lincoln, Nebr., November 8, 1918.

I. At the Fifty-second National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, it was unanimously decided to hold the next national encampment at Columbus, Ohio. The exact date will be fixed some time during the month of January, 1919.

II. Assistant adjutants general of departments will forward to these headquarters notices of death of department, or past department commanders, or other permanent members of national encampments, should any occur, that their names may be promulgated through general orders. A brief sketch of military and Grand Army service should accompany each notice.

III. Each department commander will name a comrade for assistant inspector general of his department, and send same to the inspector general, Thos. H. Brown, of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., who will, if approved by him, forward same to these headquarters for appointment by the commander in chief.

IV. The assistant adjutant general of each department will, without delay, be kind enough to send in to these headquarters, a copy of the department roster and copy of last department encampment proceedings together with all general orders issued. Our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, and all allied organizations are requested to do the same, in order that they may be added to our mailing list.

V. Each department commander will see to it that all resolutions from posts in his department requiring legislation, are sent through his assistant adjutant general direct to these headquarters that they may be forwarded by the adjutant general to the proper national committee, so that, should we have any matter to present to the congress of the United States, that committee will be able to do, and represent that which will be for the best interests of our great organization, and do it harmoniously.

VI. To avoid all unnecessary expense in the transaction of business the assistant quarter master general of each department will send his requisitions and remittances for supplies direct to the quartermaster general, Comrade Cola D. R. Stowits, 877 Ellicott Square, Buffalo, N. Y.

VII. The following amendments to the rules and regulations were adopted by the Fifty-second National Encampment. (All changes and additions are printed in italics.)

Chapter III, Article II, Paragraph 4, amended to read:

"The number of representatives to which each post is entitled shall be determined by the *annual* report last preceding the election."

Chapter V, Article I, section 3, amended to read:

"Post charters may be surrendered voluntarily when less than *five* members desire the continuance of the post, etc."

VIII. The Fifty-second National Encampment voted that the obligation of post commanders in the service book be amended to comply with Chapter V, Article I, section 1, so that the last paragraph shall read as follows:

"Should this post disband during my term of office, or before the installation of my successor, I solemnly promise to close up its affairs honorably, and to forward all the property of the department, including charter, rituals, books of record, and post papers to department headquarters, or as required by the rules and regulations, Chapter V, Article I, section 3."

IX. The following resolutions were adopted by the Fifty-second National Encampment:

1. A resolution protesting against junking the *Hartford*, the flagship of Admiral Farragut at the battles of New Orleans and Mobile Bay.
2. A resolution endorsing the bill introduced in the House of Representatives by Hon. N. J. Gould "authorizing free medical treatment to persons honorably discharged from the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or the Coast Guard by medical officers of any of these services, for wounds, or injuries received or illness incurred in the line of duty."
3. A resolution expressing disapproval of the theatrical film entitled "The Birth of a Nation."
4. A resolution disapproving the burial of German prisoners in the national cemetery at Chattanooga, Tenn.

5. A resolution recommending that the official encampment badge shall have as a pendant the profile medallion of the most noted soldier and citizen of the State where the encampment is held.
6. A resolution reaffirming the support of the Grand Army of the Republic in upholding the Government of the United States in the carrying on of the present war to a successful issue.
7. A resolution expressing appreciation of the efforts of Commander in Chief Somers and his official staff to promote the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic.
8. A resolution thanking the Hon. Wm. G. McAdoo, director general of railroads, for the liberal railway rates and time limits on tickets.
9. A resolution thanking the Congress of the United States for passing, and President Wilson for signing, the pension law of June 10.
10. A resolution thanking Senator Reed Smoot for his long continued and untiring efforts in behalf of the defenders of the Union and their widows.
11. A resolution thanking the municipal authorities of Portland, Oreg., the various committees and the citizens for the entertainment extended and their generous hospitality.
12. A resolution thanking the Oregon Military Police for their splendid service during the encampment.
13. A resolution thanking the Rosarians and the Boy Scouts for their efficient help during the encampment and the press of Portland for the generous notices given.
14. A resolution expressing the appreciation of the Grand Army of the Republic of the services of Hon. G. M. Saltzgaber, Commissioner of Pensions, and the hope that he will continue in office until the end of his term.

X. There are some department commanders who have not yet sent us information as to the date and place of meeting of their next department encampment. This information is desired promptly that the commander in chief's itinerary may be arranged.

XI. The following named comrades having fully complied with Paragraph VI, General Orders No. 2, and signified their acceptance they are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief. It is altogether important that each and every aid-de-camp get busy, and if at all possible, see to it that every old soldier in his "bailiwick" found outside of our organization, is brought into camp:

Name.	Address.	Name.	Address.
ALABAMA.		IOWA.	
Barr, John A.....	Citronelle.	Fowler, J. R.....	Hampton.
		Kron, L. J.....	Do.
CALIFORNIA.		Harsh, J. B.....	Creston.
Hawk, E. L.....	Sacramento.	Stiles, J. E.....	Redfield.
Cole, A. V.....	Long Beach.	Childs, Geo. H.....	Marshalltown.
Sutton, S. W.....	Santa Ana.	Long, Jno. S.....	Museatine.
Diehl, Joseph.....	Los Angeles.	Blades, Wm.....	Dubuque.
Hull, Thos. L.....	Do.	Fowler, Jas. A.....	Keosauqua.
Vining, Andrew J.....	San Francisco.	McFarland.....	Chariton.
Adams, S. T.....	Do.	Cowles, D. B.....	Do.
Carnduff, Frank F.....	Biggs.	Hartman, J. G.....	Iowa Falls.
Baldwin, Albert J.....	Chino.		
Martin, Russell C.....	Los Angeles.	KANSAS.	
Noll, Wm. H.....	Do.	Crary, Albert M.....	Herington.
Root, Warner A.....	Do.	Adams, Edwin M.....	Mound City.
Allen, E. T.....	San Francisco.		
COLORADO.		KENTUCKY.	
Jewell, J.....	Pueblo.	Cowan, Andrew.....	Louisville.
		Whedon, Americus.....	Washington(D.C.).
GEORGIA.		MINNESOTA.	
Whitman, Geo. E.....	Fitzgerald.	Rasey, E. Z.....	St. James.
IDAHO.		MONTANA.	
Titus, F. J.....	Nampa.	Golder, Eber.....	Anaconda.
Gill, J. M.....	Boise.	Yearian, Z. B.....	Dillon.
Humphrey, Wm. W.....	Twin Falls.	Taylor, Geo. H.....	Helena.
Anderson, Peter.....	Boise.	Browning, Geo. T.....	Bozeman.
ILLINOIS.		NEBRASKA.	
Lewis, Edw. H.....	Chicago.	Reese, John.....	Broken Bow.
Hoffman, Henry C.....	Do.	Alexander, Curtis L.....	Hastings.
Fallows, Samuel.....	Do.	Merryman, Freeman.....	Kearney.
Moody, J. M.....	Paris.	Forbes, Jno. A.....	Beatrice.
		Williamson, J. Rock.....	Humboldt.



Name.	Address.	Name.	Address.		
NEBRASKA—continued.		NORTH DAKOTA.			
Foster, O. B.....	Ansley.	McLain, David B.....	Medina.		
Lovell, W. L.....	Crete.	OHIO.			
Sanford, Noble.....	Axtell.	Roland, John C.....	Cleveland.		
Wait, Addison.....	Syracuse.				
Patterson, T. C.....	North Platte.				
Jacks, Asbury.....	Plattsmouth.	Hollinsworth, D. A.....	Cadiz.		
Bender, Thos. J.....	Fairmont.				
Gage, Jas. D.....	Dunning.	OKLAHOMA.			
Williams, D. K.....	Republican City.	Cline, F. Marion.....	Woodward.		
Sexson, E. A.....	Indianola.				
Wooster, Charles.....	Silver Creek.				
Blanchard, R. H.....	Chadron.				
Burr, L. C.....	Lincoln.				
Feenan, M. J.....	Omaha.				
Askwith, W. S.....	Do.				
Estelle, Lee S.....	Do.	Hackett, Benj. F.....	McAlester.		
Thomas, Griff J.....	Harvard.				
Miller, Jas. E.....	Kearney.				
Bassett, Samuel C.....	Gibbon.	OREGON.			
Merrell, M. G.....	Central City.	Bomgardner, D. E.....	Portland.		
Goff, Jno. W.....	Fremont.				
Stewart, W. H.....	Geneva.	PENNSYLVANIA.			
Walling, A. M.....	David City.	Gill, Samuel E.....	Pittsburgh.		
Humphrey, Geo. C.....	Grand Island.				
Majors, Wilson E.....	Peru.	Gardner, Edw. R.....	Do.		
Fennell, John.....	University Place.				
Moore, Jno. O.....	Palmyra.	TEXAS.			
Heckman, I. G.....	Fairmont.	Schutte, Jno. C.....	Eagle Pass.		
Bishop, O. E.....	Blue Springs.				
Hilyard, Wm. L.....	Superior.				
Johns, Samuel.....	Nebraska City.				
Fuller, Geo. W.....	Seward.	Blake, Wm. H.....	Houston.		
Bell, Ortha C.....	Lincoln.				
Field, W. E.....	Do.	Miller, Anson.....	Anahuac.		
Beatty, Jos. T.....	Omaha.				
Traynor, A.....	Do.	WASHINGTON.			
Green, W. H.....	Do.	King, S. S.....	Tacoma.		
NEW HAMPSHIRE.					
Wason, Eugene.....	Milford.	Sickles, Wm. H.....	Orting.		
NEW YORK.					
Parsons, Birt.....	Brooklyn.	WISCONSIN.			
Weaver, Caius A.....	Syracuse.	Treat, N. B.....	Monroe.		
		Lytle, Chas. A.....	Do.		
		Hood, N. B.....	Spring Green.		
		Pietzsch, Geo. O.....	Monroe.		
		Robertson, C. H.....	Do.		
		Lent, Andrew N.....	Superior.		

By command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:  
ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
Lincoln, Nebr., December 16, 1918.

I. The national countersign which will go into effect January 1, 1919, has been communicated to all the departments, and department commanders will see that it is properly transmitted to the posts.

II. Again you are reminded that the birthday anniversaries of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington, February 12 and February 22, will soon be here. All comrades, members of our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, and all allied organizations should cooperate with other patriotic citizens in some ceremonial memorial service on these days that the young of our land may learn the real love of country, that the sacrifices of these great American statesmen so abundantly teach.

III. Department commanders, who have not already done so, will select their department patriotic instructors and send in their names immediately to the national patriotic instructor, Comrade Geo. D. Kellogg, Newcastle, Calif. This is an important matter and should be attended to without delay.

IV. Nominations having been made therefor by the inspector general, the following named comrades are appointed assistant inspectors general in their respective departments. They will report for duty, by letter, without delay, to the inspector general, Comrade Thos. H. Brown of Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Arkansas: C. K. Aldridge, Post No. 9, Siloam Springs, Ark.

Arizona: C. W. Etter, J. W. Owens Post No. 5, 346 North Fifteenth Street, Phoenix, Ariz.

California and Nevada: W. W. Savercool (no post given), 786 Fourteenth Street, Oakland, Calif.

Colorado and Wyoming: William Butler, Post No. 6, Longmont, Colo.

Connecticut: Ira R. Wildman, Post No. 18, No. 27, Town Hall, Danbury, Conn.

Delaware: William Kelley, Post No. 2, Wilmington, Del.

Georgia and South Carolina: F. A. Jones, J. B. Steadman Post No. 4, Tallapocsa, Ga.

Indiana: A. D. Vanosdol, A. O. Backman Post No. 26, Madison, Ind.

Iowa: T. R. Bickley, Post No. 69, Ottumwa, Iowa.

Kentucky: J. S. Mavity, Post No. 57, Vauabury, Ky.

Louisiana and Mississippi: T. C. Rogers, Joseph A. Mower Post No. 1, Box 1424, New Orleans, La.

Maryland: Thomas B. Standfield, Post No. 6, 2522 Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

Massachusetts: William L. Gage, Post No. 86, South Braintree, Mass.

Michigan: William O. Lee, Post No. 98, Port Huron, Mich.

Minnesota: John Gunther, Post No. 8, Old Capitol, St. Paul, Minn.

Missouri: Cord Ringen, Post No. 1, Overland, Mo.

Nebraska: O. C. Bell, Post No. 25, 931 D Street, Lincoln, Nebr.

New Hampshire: A. F. Stockpole, Post No. 17, Dover, N. H.

New Jersey: William W. Mendell, Post No. 25, 110 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, N. J.

New York: Philip M. Wales, 70 Maple Avenue, Troy, N. Y. (No post given.)

North Dakota: Charles L. Graber, Post No. 6, Grand Forks, N. Dak.

Ohio: Colin McDonald, Post No. 451, Memorial Hall, Columbus, Ohio.

Oklahoma: J. L. Walton (no post given), Enid, Okla.

Oregon: D. R. Andrus (no post given), Medford, Oreg.

Potomac: Briscoe Goodhart (no post given), 52 S Street NW., Washington, D. C.

South Dakota: Walter H. Carr, Post No. 31, Hurley, S. Dak.

Tennessee: Oliver C. Kinley, Patten Post, No. 26, National Soldier's Home, Tenn.

Utah: Seymour B. Young, Post No. 8, 48 South Fourth Street East, Salt Lake City.

West Virginia: Sylvester Jett, W. P. Green Post No. 33, West Union, W. Va.

Wisconsin: John W. Ganes, Post No. 203, Ripon, Wis.

V. In referring to resolutions adopted by the Fifty-second National Encampment held at Portland, the one of thanks to the Commander-in-Chief Somers, Past Commander-in-Chief Gardner, and Comrade McElroy for services rendered in securing the passage of the pension law of June 10, 1918, not being in the omnibus resolution, was inadvertently overlooked in General Orders No. 3 hence this reference.

VI. The following named comrades in addition to those named in General Orders No. 3, having signified their acceptance are hereby appointed aides-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.



Name.	Address.	Name.	Address.
CALIFORNIA.		NEBRASKA—continued.	
John S. Hair.....	Long Beach.	Thos. U. Whiffen.....	De Witt.
E. M. Gibson.....	Oakland.	John R. Maxon.....	Minden.
Thos. Prothero.....	Do.	Shelden Peck.....	Blair.
J. B. Lauck.....	San Francisco.	NEW YORK.	
R. S. Green.....	Santa Barbara.	Edwin F. Lawrence.....	Matamoras, Pa.
M. E. Gates.....	Sacramento.	W. B. Fairhead.....	Ilion.
Perry H. Manchester.....	Escondido.	David Thom.....	New York City.
Perry A. Lyons.....	Monterey.	OHIO.	
Edwin W. Woodward.....	Oakland.	Peter D. Barrett.....	Wilmington.
Eugene A. Lord.....	San Francisco.	S. E. Wise.....	Akron.
S. F. Baker.....	Santa Barbara.	W. Z. Davis.....	Columbus.
Chas. C. Hunt.....	Do.	F. W. Kumler.....	Eaton.
Truman Reeves.....	Sacramento.	G. T. Harding.....	Marion.
J. H. Collier.....	Soldiers' Home.	John C. Dildine.....	Salem.
COLORADO.		A. C. Blackburn.....	Steubenville.
W. E. Moses.....	Denver.	C. C. Nichols.....	Wilmington.
CONNECTICUT.		W. H. King.....	Coshocton.
Walter F. Hinckley.....	Waterbury.	Frank C. King.....	Newark.
ILLINOIS.		Henry R. Packer.....	Canton.
A. T. Hays.....	Lincoln.	W. D. Heyl.....	Columbus.
Jas. J. Healy.....	Chicago.	Joel W. Lee.....	Jefferson.
R. I. Law.....	Galesburg.	J. W. Wolfe.....	Rockland.
INDIANA.		William Clawson.....	Sidney.
C. C. Schreeder.....	Evansville.	J. K. P. Ferrell.....	Uhrichsville.
IOWA.		Wes. W. Gooley.....	New Holland.
B. F. Shurtleff.....	Belle Plaine.	Chas. H. Light.....	Lancaster.
Samuel C. Jones.....	Iowa City.	OKLAHOMA.	
Wm. Kirtley.....	Panora.	Orestes G. Bailey.....	Stroud.
R. R. Rose.....	Cresco.	PENNSYLVANIA.	
S. T. Erwin.....	Wapello.	A. J. Bower.....	Uniontown.
KANSAS.		John S. Leinback.....	Williamsport.
W. W. Denison.....	Topeka.	Chas. P. Deininger.....	Philadelphia.
KENTUCKY.		Chas. J. Williams.....	Whitaker.
John T. Gunn.....	Lexington.	Wm. Gerst.....	Pittsburgh.
Chas. C. Furr.....	Frankfort.	J. W. McCune.....	Lancaster.
Philip White.....	Louisville.	John Pugh.....	Conshohocken.
Wm. G. Force.....	P. O. Indianapolis.	Jas. H. Rankin, sr.....	N. Braddock.
LOUISIANA.		F. H. Hay.....	Harrisburg.
E. K. Russ.....	New Orleans.	Richard J. Baxter.....	Philadelphia.
MINNESOTA.		John H. Harbourne.....	West Philadelphia.
Dan'l A. Langworthy.....	Minneapolis.	Jos. H. Carels.....	Philadelphia.
J. N. Danforth.....	Do.	J. W. Bishop.....	Do.
Heber R. Hare.....	Do.	Alfred B. Wannop.....	Do.
MISSOURI.		Jas. A. Stetler.....	Wilkes-Barre.
E. S. Miner.....	Bethany.	Chas. E. Applebaugh.....	Altoona.
Nathan W. Flaisig.....	Alhambra, Calif.	D. S. Beemer.....	Scranton.
David H. Hatfield.....	St. Joseph	Jas. W. Reed.....	Greensburg.
John Harnois.....	Do.	POTOMAC.	
H. W. Sandusky.....	Do.	John Finn.....	Washington, D. C.
NEBRASKA.		W. T. Foster.....	Do.
John F. Morgan.....	Alma.	TEXAS.	
W. J. Blystone.....	Lincoln.	F. M. Davis.....	San Antonio.
Jerome B. Forbes.....	Republican City.	Henry H. Small.....	Do.
		Geo. Lough.....	Do.
		S. A. Bentley.....	Do.
		WISCONSIN.	
		C. L. Judd.....	Ashland.
		Charles Estabrook.....	Milwaukee.
		B. W. Collins.....	Sheboygan.
		J. H. Chamberlain.....	Kaukauna.
		Jas. A. Hoare.....	Mineral Point.

By command of—

Official:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
Adjutant General.

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
Commander in Chief.

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
*Lincoln, Nebr., January 10, 1919.*

I. My comrades, one country, one language, and one flag should be our watchword. Never again should we drop back into the sordid influences arising from teaching foreign languages and aping foreign customs.

The anniversaries of our two great Americans are close at hand; George Washington, the beloved father of our country, and Abraham Lincoln, the preserver of our Union. Washington, our great prototype, made it possible for the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States to become the greatest documents ever devised by man.

The War of Revolution brought into the field 309,871 Continental soldiers. Their graves were many and the money cost of the war was \$135,000,000. Yet it was worth all that it cost, because it made the United States of America free and independent.

The Civil War called to the colors 2,700,000 men. Their losses were 14 per cent of all the men engaged. Nearly every home in our land was bereft. The graves of more than 200,000 of our comrades billowed the battle fields of the South. The money cost was nearly \$7,000,000,000, but it was worth all that it cost, because it gave us a grander and better Union than ever before; because it standardized the American character, and because it gave us our beloved Lincoln.

The 22d of February next, will be the one hundred and ninety-seventh anniversary of the birth of George Washington, and February 12th will be the one hundred and tenth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln. These two great Americans fought for America and served the American people. There was no thought of subordinating a single American custom to that of foreign cast. Their policy was to have one language to rule, and one flag to float over us.

We have just passed through a great world's war. The Americanism that runs through our veins, my comrades, vitalizes the patriotism and the courage that won this war and placed the American soldier among the legions of the intrepid and brave, and enshrined their names in the brightest pages of history. Hence, let us celebrate our great victory by doing honor and homage to the two greatest of the great—Washington and Lincoln—and let us firmly resolve, henceforth and forever, America for Americans. If the red flag of anarchy or the flag of any unfriendly nation be raised in our midst, crush it as the flag of treason. Then, and not until then, will America be doing her part.

II. Assistant adjutants general are again requested to send general orders and journal of their last department encampment to these headquarters.

III. Additional nominations having been sent in by the inspector general, the following named comrades are appointed assistant inspectors general. They will report by letter without delay to Comrade Thomas H. Brown, inspector general, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for duty and instructions:

Alabama: Wm. J. Shipman, Birmingham, Ala.

Florida: C. J. Ball, Lynn Haven, Fla.

Idaho: Chas. H. Harkinson, Boise, Idaho.

Illinois: B. F. Herrington, Yorkville, Ill.

Kansas: John M. Watson, Frankfort, Kans.

Maine: A. B. Holmes, Livermore Falls, Me.

Montana: Amos Calvin, Helena, Mont.

New Mexico: H. B. Steward, Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Pennsylvania: Chas. J. Harrison, Somerset, Pa.

Rhode Island: George R. Saunders, Providence, R. I.

Texas: Dexter Wagoner, Dennison, Tex.

Vermont: Edward Barker, Montpelier, Vt.

Virginia and North Carolina: J. P. Carter, Norfolk, Va.

Washington and Alaska: C. C. Austin, North Seattle, Wash.

IV. The following-named comrades, having qualified as required, are hereby appointed aides-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief. They will be respected accordingly.



Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
CONNECTICUT.			MASSACHUSETTS—con.		
Buxton, George I.....	12	Norwalk.	Rollins, Elisha E.....	121	Hyde Park.
Geib, Henry P.....	23	Stamford.	Sanborn, Alfred G.....	143	Brookline.
DELAWARE.			Saunders, Henry M....	19	Fitchburg.
Peirce, George.....	5	Newcastle.	Sawyer, John W.....	5	Revere.
IDAHO.			Strout, Henry E.....	191	Roxbury.
Frederic, J. W.....	19	Coeur d'Alene.	Tappan, Alonzo L.....	146	Haverhill.
ILLINOIS.			Tarbell, George G.....	195	East Pepperell.
Johnson, James M.....	297	Carbondale.	Underwood, Nathan C.	141	Harwich.
Rheymer, F. J.....	444	Blue Island.	Weston, Richmond L..	94	Canton.
INDIANA.			MISSOURI.		
Herron, Wm. P.....	7	Crawfordsville.	Reynolds, A. M.....	7	St. Joseph.
McConnell, D. B.....	14	Logansport.	NEBRASKA.		
Neff, Jesse.....	42	Lebanon.	Burwell, Judson.....	81	Juniata.
Nicar, Edwin.....	8	South Bend.	Copeland, Levi M.....	91	Minden.
IOWA.			Corbin, Levi H.....	163	Beaver City.
Rodgers, T. M.....	515	Keokuk.	Frantz, A. J.....	13	Hastings
Lock, Christian.....	16	Newton.	Fuller, Cash D.....	318	Lincoln.
KANSAS.			Heine, John F.....	133	Hooper.
Wingrove, Charles.....	88	Clay Center.	Mallison, Joseph.....	110	Omaha.
Woollen, J. H.....	34	Mankato	Morse, E. N.....	4	Fremont.
KENTUCKY.			Ratcliff, J. R.....	23	Central City.
Drye, L. M.....	21	Bradfordsville.	NEW JERSEY.		
MAINE.			Allen, W. O.....	1	Newark.
Monroe, John.....	3	Mechanic Falls.	NEW YORK.		
MASSACHUSETTS.			Castler, Alfred J.....	33	Amsterdam.
Almeder, Chas. H.....	11	Charlestown.	La Cote, Frank.....	33	Do.
Bailey, Henry J.....	22	Milford.	OHIO.		
Bailey, Melzar C.....	83	Hanover.	Barrett, John W.....	342	Blanchester.
Balch, Hiram T.....	49	Newburyport.	Chase, Enoch M.....	715	Toledo.
Benjamin, William H..	81	Watertown	Harper, Lewis.....	9	Conneaut.
Bixby, Luther W.....	26	Boston.	Hoak, J. T.....	65	Elyria.
Bright, Albert W.....	143	Brookline.	Hoffman, Lazarus.....	401	Cincinnati.
Brookings, Samuel....	49	Newburyport.	Johnson, Eli.....	38	Nelsonville
Bunton, Henry S.....	121	Hyde Park.	Morgenstern, E. A....	401	Norwood.
Cook, Thomas W.....	1	New Bedford.	Riley, John W.....	369	Troy.
Coppins, George T.....	191	Newton.	OKLAHOMA.		
Corey, George W.....	168	Southbridge.	O'Donald, Wayne.....	1	Oklahoma City.
Crocker, Ellery C.....	117	Medfield.	OREGON.		
Dailey, George E.....	14	Hopkinton.	Thomas, A. B.....	6	Forest Grove.
Dusseault, John H.....	139	Somerville.	PENNSYLVANIA.		
Edgell, John D.....	116	Gardner.	Burnwood, Walter S...	21	Philadelphia.
Flood, John.....	62	Newton.	Davidson, W. W.....	58	Harrisburg.
Foreman, William.....	169	Norwood.	Dietz, Henry C.....	2	Philadelphia.
Frampton, Robert L...	121	Hyde Park.	Heck, Jacob W.....	54	Coatesville.
Frothingham, Edward	47	Haverhill.	Ruhe, C. H. W.....	3	Pittsburgh.
G.			Sherman, Chas. L.....	1	Philadelphia
Gilman, Albert I.....	185	Lowell.	Woy, John.....	30	Johnstown.
Gray, Joshua S.....	74	Rockland.	POTOMAC.		
Greene, James H.....	2	Brookline.	Godfrey, E. D.....	2	Washington, D. C.
Harper, John H.....	74	Rockland.	Perkins, Jas. H.....	3	Hyattsville, Md.
Hersey, Jason B.....	74	Do.	VERMONT.		
Houghton, Charles S...	53	Leominster.	Hanrahan, John D.....		Rutland.
King, David.....	15	Boston.	Ketchum, F. H.....	96	Randolph.
Miles, Fernando.....	186	Arlington Heights.	Pierce, Hiram M.....	13	Montpelier
Montgomery, Thomas.	30	Cambridge.	WISCONSIN.		
Moore, Joseph A.....	45	Gloucester.	Grinnell, W. H.....	54	Beloit.
Nickerson, Albert A...	35	Chelsea.	Stevens, Joseph.....	140	Washburn.
Pierson, Edward O....	87	Braintree			
Pond, Henry A.....	22	Milford.			
Pratt, George W.....	72	Stoughton.			
Prentice, Theodore P..	56	Cambridge.			

By command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
Commander in Chief.

Official:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
Adjutant General.

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
*Lincoln, Nebr., March 10, 1919.*

#### NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

I. At a meeting of the commander in chief and members of the executive committee of the national council of administration, in conjunction with the citizens' committee, held February 24, 1919, in the city of Columbus, Ohio, it was decided to hold the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in that city during the week commencing September 7, 1919.

II. National headquarters will be located at Hotel Deshler during the encampment.

III. Ex-Gov. James E. Campbell was selected by the citizens' committee as chairman of the executive committee, to whom all communications should be directed regarding matters concerning the encampment. He will distribute same to the proper committees for immediate attention. All parties desiring reservations of any character should bear this in mind and act accordingly.

IV. General orders covering program of events and entertainments for the week will be issued later after more definite information has been received from the Columbus committee.

V. Railroad rates will not be promulgated until these headquarters are advised by the railroad authorities from Washington, D. C.

#### FLAG DAY.

VI. June 14, 1919—

"Another year of age is on the banner of the free,  
The starry Flag that proudly floats on land and on the sea;  
But touch of time has dimmed no star within that azure field,  
And still its white and crimson stripes in glory stand revealed.

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"Amid the mighty nations' flags it holds an honored place,  
For on its folds has never been the shadow of disgrace.  
And well 'tis known where'er that Flag upon its mission goes  
That it is true to all its friends, a terror to all foes.

"Long may it wave and long its stars and stripes in glory shine,  
For where it floats, there men e'er find a patriotic shrine.  
It stands for strength and sympathy, it stands for truth and right,  
And where it goes the eyes of men see Freedom's sacred light."

Department commanders will take cognizance of this and have general orders issued urging the comrades throughout their departments to hold open patriotic meetings, display the flag in honor of the one hundred and forty-second year of its adoption by the Congress of the United States, and celebrate the day, June 14, 1919, in a becoming manner. Invite our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, and all allied patriotic organizations and the general public to join in these Flag Day exercises. Secure good speakers and make it a day long to be remembered in patriotic circles.

VII. At the Fifty-second National Encampment the following comrades were appointed to secure a testimonial for Past Commander in Chief Orlando A. Somers: Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn., chairman: W. J. Patterson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

VIII. The following named comrades having fully complied with all the requirements, they are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:



Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
ARKANSAS.			MASSACHUSETTS—con.		
Barger, John W.....	1	Little Rock.	Russell, John T.....	4	Melrose.
Conley, James H.....	1	Do.	Willey, J. Otis.....	5	Lynn.
Dodson, Andrew.....	17	Do.	Winde, Henry J.....	35	Winechester.
Jones, John.....	17	Do.	MISSOURI.		
Landreth, Thomas F..	1	England, Ark.	Kinney, I. G.....	8	Kansas City.
Shields, Amos.....	1	Little Rock.	Marshall, Henry M....	8	Do.
Spruell, Casey V.....	1	Do.	Smith, Orris P.....	8	Do.
Stouteagle, Mathias C..	1	Do.	Showers, Allan J.....	131	St. Louis.
Whittemore, Curtis H..	1	Do.	NEBRASKA.		
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			Walker, J. M.....	22	Ohiowa.
Aubery, James M.....	55	Los Angeles.	NEW JERSEY.		
Cressey, J. F.....	55	Do.	Freeman, John M.....	11	East Orange.
Heltman, S. R.....	52	Santa Barbara.	Gray, John W.....	37	Camden.
Kreider, Frank L.....	55	Los Angeles.	Knowles, Alvah A.....	1	Newark.
Sanders, Carlton E....	55	Do.	Smith, Rufus W.....	37	Woodbury.
CONNECTICUT.			Taylor, Thomas H....	40	Cape May.
Morse, Charles E.....	68	Thomaston.	Tomlin, James F.....	37	Camden.
ILLINOIS.			NEW YORK.		
Bongye, Daniel.....	98	Freeport.	Adams, Eben.....	509	New Rochelle.
Brown, James M.....	98	Do.	Augustin, Jacob J.....	106	Rochester.
Ingersoll, E. J.....	297	Carbondale.	Grawbarger, Henry M..	211	Fairport.
Lake, Lewis F.....	1	Rockford.	Maek, H. D.....	455	Rochester.
INDIANA.			Sauer, Henry M.....	84	Do.
Aldrich, George W....	271	Fort Wayne.	Treman, Jerome.....	409	Do.
Carter, Vinson.....	17	Indianapolis.	OHIO.		
IOWA.			McKee, W. R.....	159	Troy.
Porter, Samuel.....	309	Laeona.	Otte, A. Edw. C.....	401	Cincinnati.
Stoddard, W. H.....	24	Tama.	Sapp, John F.....	327	Ravenna.
KANSAS.			Throekmorton, J. A....	62	Sidney.
Barney, William W....	293	Fort Dodge.	Tibbles, John R.....	617	Reynoldsburg.
Blackwell, R. D.....	97	Douglass.	Woolson, Alvin M.....	107	Toledo.
Fleming, D. H.....	100	Manhattan.	OREGON.		
Glaee, J. A.....	88	Clay Center.	Bailey, W. H.....	60	Milton.
Griggs, Richard W....	388	Meade.	Chipman, E. E.....	41	Gresham.
Hanna, J. G.....	130	Hiawatha.	Horton, L. P.....	2	Gladstone.
Harrison, George.....	41	Hill City.	Lillagar, H. S.....	57	Portland.
Kesler, W. R.....	25	Wichita.	Miller, A. W.....	1	Do.
Kinzie, G.....	130	Hiawatha.	Self, Isaee B.....	43	Do.
Logan, Lewis.....	158	Arkansas City.	PENNSYLVANIA.		
McGhee, J. W.....	147	Beloit.	Bishop, Wm. T.....	116	Harrisburg.
Ohmart, George W....	105	Augusta.	Brinton, Levi C.....	100	New Castle.
Pealer, B. F.....	127	Salina.	Califf, John N.....	68	Towanda.
Riley, William L.....	66	Eldorado.	Conlin, James T.....	60	Monongahela.
Saylor, Jacob.....	37	Burrton.	Little, John.....	157	Pittsburgh.
Snow, E. S.....	364	Lakin.	Ployer, F. K.....	415	Mechanicsburg.
Taylor, J. T.....	6	Leavenworth.	Runk, George D.....	179	Clearfield.
Wells, John S.....	251	Harper.	Williams, T. R.....	151	Pittsburgh.
Wible, J. W.....	18	Ottawa.	RHODE ISLAND.		
MASSACHUSETTS.			Bellows, John J.....	1	Providence.
Atwood J. Murray.....	35	Plymouth.	TEXAS.		
Dame, A. L.....	127	Hanson.	Owen, Z. Hibbard.....	4	Harrowgate, Tenn.
McGrath, John.....	7	Roslindale.			
Pearson, J. Hiram S....	23	Boston.			
Rouillard, George.....	56	Beachmont.			

By command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
Commander in Chief.

Official:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
Adjutant General.

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
Lincoln, Nebr., March 25, 1919.

I. As announced in General Orders, No. 6, from these headquarters, March 10, the Fifty-third National Encampment will be held in the city of Columbus, Ohio, during the week beginning September 7, 1919.

II. Your commander in chief has been advised in a communication, dated March 19, 1919, from Mr. Gerrit Fort, assistant director, "Division of Traffic," United States Railroad Administration, Washington, D. C., that a reduced rate will be made for the national encampment at Columbus, the same as was made last year to Portland, Oreg, namely, 1 cent per mile.

III. State department encampments will be accorded a rate of not exceeding 2 cents per mile to their department meetings, where the department makes application for said rates to the Director General of Railroads, Washington, D. C. Department commanders will bear this in mind and act accordingly.

IV. Tickets for the national encampment will go on sale September 1, 1919, with same limitations as to time as last year and will be governed by the same rules and regulations as to stop overs, etc.

V. Further detailed information, giving as full particulars as possible, will be announced later in general orders from these headquarters covering matters regarding the national encampment.

VI. To avoid many inquiries as to who all will be entitled to certificates on which to request transportation to those encampments, the Director General of Railroads stipulates to the commander in chief that the rates here given shall only apply to members of the Grand Army of the Republic and their families; members of the Woman's Relief Corps; Ladies of the G. A. R.; Daughters of Veterans; Sons of Veterans; Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary; National Association of Army Nurses of the Civil War; and members of the family of members of each of the above organizations accompanying them to the encampment. The interpretation given to "family" is, the immediate members of one's family, who live with one.

VII. The following-named comrades having fully complied with all the requirements, they are hereby appointed aids to camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
KANSAS.			OHIO.		
Earnest, L. H.....	180	Portage, Wash.	Anderson, J. M.....	422	Uhrichsville.
Einsel, Aaron D.....	316	Greensburg.	RHODE ISLAND.		
Holmes, John E.....	17	Hutchinson.	Clark, Henry H.....		
Spangler, S. M.....	36	Newton.	WASHINGTON AND		
Van Horn, David.....	83	Nickerson.	ALASKA.		
MASSACHUSETTS.			Tibbetts, George W....		
Dearborn, Stanley B...	12	Wakefield.	1		
Mann, Ezekiel F.....	156	Everett.	Apopka, Fla.		

By command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
Commander in Chief.

Official:  
ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
Adjutant General.



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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
*Lincoln, Nebr., March 25, 1919.*

MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 30, 1919.

I. We are in the midst of a great formulative period, not only in the history of our own United States, but the world at large. Lulled into security by the voice of the pacifist and German propagandist, for more than two years we shut our eyes to the terrible war that so recently startled mankind. Finally the swish of the submarine and the deadly torpedo reminded us that "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

By the efforts of the Grand Army of the Republic, the latent spirit of patriotism was aroused, our pulse began to beat, our country was assailed, our blood ran at fever heat. The memorable words of Gen. John A. Dix again rang out through the land: "If any man attempts to haul down the American flag, shoot him on the spot." By resolutions in your post rooms and encampments, you demanded that the indiscriminate slaughter of our people must be avenged; that Germany had menaced us and forced us into war and we must fight.

It was you, my comrades, who demanded a declaration of war; it was you who demanded that German propaganda and sedition must be driven from our land, and that anyone found guilty of destroying our resources, or in any way interfering with a vigorous prosecution of the war, should be tried for treason and punished, if found guilty. You fully realized that the paths of peace were the best; but you also realized that our country was assailed and we must take part in fighting her battles, and under the impetus of your loyalty and patriotism, twenty-one million intrepid, brave young Americans knelt at Liberty's shrine and firmly resolved that American independence must stand in the future as it had stood in the past, a beacon of liberty to mankind.

And from the ranks of the American boys, four million were selected to form the heroic fighting legions of the world; two million to go; two million to stay. Over there the intrepid bravery of the "Yanks" broke the morale and defeated the German Army. Many of them were your lineal descendants, and they reminded me of your trials and sacrifices upon more than two thousand battle fields of the Civil War, in which you saved us a stronger and better Union than ever before.

It was your sacrifices that made it possible to win the World's War. Oh, how great was the sacrifice over there and how lamentable the loss here! More than two hundred and fifty thousand of our stars of blue were turned to gold. Their graves billow our land alongside of our beloved comrades. Remember them all as our Nation's heroes,

"More worthy of the victor's blaze  
Than those of Rome's imperial days."

How eminently proper and fitting it is then, my comrades, that we should assemble in this world's greatest epoch; weave our chaplets anew, and with zeal and patriotism, trial, and sacrifice, born in the vortex of war and welded in the red heat of battle, seek their resting place, and with the poet say:

"To our Nation's sacred dead,  
We consecrate this day;  
And crown each sleeping warrior's head,  
With blossoms of the May."

I am but performing a most sacred duty when calling upon the Grand Army of the Republic, the Woman's Relief Corps, and all allied societies to blend their efforts with our patriotic citizenship, and with fitting veneration and pride, give cheer to the living, and honor and homage to those who died in the columns of our fighting legions and are now our mightiest departed.

My comrades, let no portion of your sacred duties on the 30th of May be obscured by the faintest shadows of neglect, and let us hope and feel sure that the bodies of our brave soldier boys of this World War, left to slumber where they fell, will be tenderly and sacredly guarded and cared for by the peoples for whom they made the great patriotic sacrifice.

II. As provided by the Forty-fifth National Encampment, flags shall be placed at half-mast and bells tolled for five minutes from 12 o'clock noon at all public Grand Army exercises on Memorial Day, during which time every comrade shall remain standing uncovered.

MOTHERS' DAY.

III. This year, May 11, the second Sunday in May, observed for some years past as "Mothers' Day" should have especial significance for us. As we watch the mothers of the boys of the present war, and their anxieties and sufferings for their sons, we more fully realize what our own mothers suffered during the dark days of the Civil War. A little child once said that "mother is the most beautiful word in the English language"; and well it may be, since "mother" is the most beautiful character in the world. Comrades are reminded to observe the day by wearing a carnation or other white flower on the lapel with the "little bronze button."

MEMORIAL SUNDAY.

IV. The Sunday preceding Memorial Day has been wisely set aside for Divine service. May its observation be blessed by appropriate exercises; may patriotic sermon, speech, and song characterize the day.

V. Let Gen. Logan's order designating Memorial Day and Mr. Lincoln's Gettysburg address be made a part of our Memorial Day exercises.

By command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*



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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
*Lincoln, Nebr., July 8, 1919.*

I. As previously announced in General Orders, the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Columbus, Ohio, September 7 to 13, 1919.

II. National headquarters will be temporarily established at the Hotel Deshler, mezzanine floor, Thursday, September 4, 1919.

III. Detailed program of events and entertainments may be secured from the local committee on arrival in Columbus.

IV. Special patriotic services will be held in all the churches in Columbus, Sunday, September 7, to which all comrades are cordially invited.

V. The executive committee of the national council of administration will meet at national headquarters, Hotel Deshler, Monday, September 8, at 11 a. m.

VI. The national council of administration will meet at national headquarters, Hotel Deshler, Tuesday, September 8, at 11 a. m.

VII. The semiofficial meeting and reception will be held Monday evening, September 8, at 7.30 o'clock in Memorial Hall.

VIII. Tuesday evening, September 9, at 7.30 o'clock, a camp fire will be held in Memorial Hall.

IX. The parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held Wednesday morning, September 10, at 10 o'clock. The formation and route of the parade will be announced in later General Orders.

X. Comrade John Little, Post No. 157, Pittsburgh, Pa., is hereby detailed as headquarters color bearer and Comrade D. S. Wilder, Post No. 451, Columbus, Ohio, is hereby detailed as national color bearer for the parade.

XI. Department commanders are requested to notify the adjutant general immediately on receipt of these orders, of the probable time of arrival of their respective departments in Columbus and the location of department headquarters.

XII. Department commanders or their representatives will report to the chief of staff, at national headquarters, Hotel Deshler, Tuesday, September 9, at 4 p. m., for instructions regarding the parade.

XIII. The national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and its allied societies will be located during the week of the encampment as follows:

Grand Army of the Republic, Hotel Deshler.

Army Nurses of the Civil War, Hotel Deshler.

Woman's Relief Corps, Hotel Deshler.

Ladies of the G. A. R., Hotel Chittenden.

Daughters of Veterans, Hotel Chittenden.

Sons of Veterans, Hotel Virginia.

Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, Hotel Virginia.

XIV. The following committee on credentials is hereby announced:

Albert M. Trimble, adjutant general, chairman.

George A. Newman, assistant adjutant general.

Samuel P. Town, Department of Pennsylvania.

Henry Spaulding, Department of Michigan.

O. H. Oldroyd, Department of Potomac.

Albert J. Ball, Department of Indiana.

Frank Battles, Department of New Hampshire.

This committee will meet at national headquarters, Hotel Deshler, Monday, September 8, at 2 p. m., and Tuesday, September 9, at 10 a. m.

XV. Comrades George A. Price, J. W. Willett, and John B. Inman, are hereby appointed a committee to audit the books of the quartermaster general. They will report to the national council of administration at its meeting, Tuesday, September 9, at 11 a. m.

XVI. The first business session of the national encampment will convene in Memorial Hall, Thursday, September 11, at 10 a. m.

XVII. Department commanders will report to the adjutant general not later than 7 p. m. Wednesday, September 10, the names of their representative on the committee on resolutions and their nominee for the national council of administration.

XVIII. Comrades desiring reservations during the national encampment may secure them by writing Comrade James E. Campbell, director general, G. A. R. Encampment, 8 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, and stating character of accommodations desired.

XIX. Reunions will be held at such time as the various regimental associations may arrange with the Columbus encampment committee.

XX. Comrade H. W. Nye, Fort Worth, Tex., has been appointed by the commander of the Department of Texas to represent that department on the national council of administration to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Comrade M. B. Young, and the appointment is hereby confirmed.

XXI. Department chaplains are requested to immediately forward reports to Comrade Philip A. Nordell, chaplain in chief, 27 State House, Boston, Mass.

XXII. Department patriotic instructors are requested to immediately forward reports to the national patriotic instructor, Comrade George D. Kellogg, Newcastle, Calif.

XXIII. Department medical directors are requested to immediately forward reports to Comrade C. M. Ferrin, surgeon general, Burlington, Vt.

XXIV. Department commanders are requested to see that the above reports are forwarded promptly and they are also requested to see that check for per capita tax is sent to the quartermaster general on or before July 15.

XXV. Amendments to the ritual have been proposed by the Department of Indiana, and amendments to the service book have been proposed by the Department of Missouri, and these amendments will be presented by the committee on rules and regulations and ritual to the national encampment at Columbus, for its action.

XXVI. The following amendments to the rules and regulations have been proposed:

By the Department of Missouri, to amend Chapter II, Article IV, section 4, to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. Members of disbanded posts, who were in good standing at the time of such dissolution, upon written application to the assistant adjutant general of the department, shall receive from him transfer cards which shall have full force, or at the option of the applicant, his name shall be entered upon a roll to be kept by the assistant adjutant general, and known as a roll of comrades at large. Comrades so enrolled shall pay dues semiannually direct to the assistant adjutant general, of 50 cents each, payable on the first days of January and July of each year. The department encampment shall have the right to increase the amount of such dues at any meeting by resolution duly adopted.

"If the dues of any comrade at large shall remain unpaid for more than 30 days after the same is due, he shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless his dues are paid within 10 days from the date of such notice he will stand suspended from the Grand Army of the Republic until all arrearages are paid. Any comrade at large whose dues remain unpaid for more than one year after the same are due shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless all arrearages are paid within 30 days from the date of such notice he will be dropped from the roll and no longer be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that he can only be restored by making a written application to be approved by the department commander and the payment of one year's dues.

#### RAILROAD RATES AND TRANSPORTATION.

XXVII. As previously announced in general orders a special rate of 1 cent a mile has been granted by the United States Railroad Administration to those attending the national encampment at Columbus, Ohio.

XXVIII. Tickets will go on sale August 15 instead of September 1, and will be good for 60 days from date of sale. Tickets will be sold via diverse routes to Columbus on the basis of 1 cent per mile in each direction via routes traveled on going and return trip. Stop-overs will be allowed going and returning.

XXIX. Those from the West desiring to go farther east, after the encampment at Columbus, may purchase summer tourist tickets at Columbus for the nearest summer resort to their destination. These tickets may be bought as late as September 30, with final return limit October 31, 1919, or the summer tourist ticket may be bought at original starting point with a stop-over at Columbus en route.

XXX. Tickets may be secured only on presentation of identification certificates, which will be sent to the assistant adjutant general of each department early in July,



and which may be secured from him by the various posts as arranged by each department last year. Comrades are warned against securing or giving these certificates to anyone not entitled to them.

XXXI. For the information of those who may not have read General Orders No. 7 the following information is again given:

To avoid many inquiries as to who all will be entitled to certificates on which to request transportation to the national encampment the Director General of Railroads stipulates to the commander in chief that the rates here given shall only apply to members of the Grand Army of the Republic and their families, members of the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Daughters of Veterans, Sons of Veterans, Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, National Association of Army Nurses of the Civil War, and members of the family of members of each of the above organizations, accompanying them to the encampment. The interpretation given to "family" is the immediate members of one's family who live with one.

XXXII. Therefore it will be seen that the rate will not apply to the following:

1. Veterans of the Civil War who are not members of the Grand Army of the Republic.
2. Widows of former members of the Grand Army of the Republic unless they are members of the Army Nurses Association, Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Daughters of Veterans or Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary.
3. Daughters of deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic unless they belong to one of the organizations mentioned in the preceding paragraph.
4. Sons of deceased members of the Grand Army of the Republic unless they belong to the organization known as the Sons of Veterans.
5. Sons and daughters of members of the Grand Army of the Republic, unless they are living in their father's household or belong to one of the organizations mentioned in paragraphs 2 or 5.

XXXIII. The following rates to Columbus have been announced from principal cities in the United States:

St. Paul, Minn.....	\$14.36	Minneapolis, Minn.....	\$14.36
Omaha, Nebr.....	16.68	Council Bluffs, Iowa.....	16.18
Denver, Colo.....	26.90	Colorado Springs, Colo.....	26.68
Pueblo, Colo.....	26.68	Nashville, Tenn.....	8.84
Birmingham, Ala.....	12.94	Mobile, Ala.....	18.35
Vicksburg, Miss.....	17.12	Chattanooga, Tenn.....	9.60
Macon, Ga.....	14.08	Savannah, Ga.....	17.90
Tampa, Fla.....	23.54	Richmond, Va.....	11.02
Petersburg, Va.....	11.56	Charlottesville, Va.....	9.08
Charlotte, N. C.....	12.52	Charleston, S. C.....	17.26
Memphis, Tenn.....	12.70	Montgomery, Ala.....	14.90
New Orleans, La.....	20.02	Knoxville, Tenn.....	8.86
Atlanta, Ga.....	12.32	Augusta, Ga.....	15.74
Jacksonville, Fla.....	19.32	Lexington, Ky.....	4.46
Norfolk, Va.....	12.72	Lynchburg, Va.....	8.82
Raleigh, N. C.....	11.68	Columbia, S. C.....	14.68
New York.....	12.60	Philadelphia, Pa.....	10.80
Baltimore, Md.....	10.22	Washington, D. C.....	9.42
Boston, Mass.....	16.34	Buffalo, N. Y.....	6.40
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	3.82	Cleveland, Ohio.....	2.76
Toledo, Ohio.....	2.46	Detroit, Mich.....	3.62
Cincinnati, Ohio.....	2.32	Louisville, Ky.....	5.10
Indianapolis, Ind.....	3.76	Chicago, Ill.....	6.32
St. Louis, Mo.....	8.58	Albuquerque, N. Mex.....	31.78
El Paso, Tex.....	33.18	Oklahoma City, Okla.....	19.44
Tulsa, Okla.....	17.08	Dallas, Tex.....	22.30
Fort Worth, Tex.....	22.78	San Antonio, Tex.....	27.06
Houston, Tex.....	24.90	Beaumont, Tex.....	23.74
Little Rock, Ark.....	15.56		

XXXIV. For further information concerning rates, routes, etc., consult your local ticket agent and your department headquarters.

XXXV. The following comrades, having complied with the necessary requirements, are hereby appointed aides-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief.

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
ALABAMA.			ILLINOIS—continued.		
Mitchell, A. D.....	1	Haleyville.	Laing, William H.....	155	Delavan.
ARIZONA.			Latimer, J. F.....	58	Abingdon.
Wiley, James.....	6	Globe.	Latta, Thomas J.....	257	Greenup.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			Lind, Peter L.....	312	Moline.
Coates, W. B.....	7	San Jose.	McCloud, Wallace.....	522	Yorkville.
Hooper, Sylvester S....	55	Los Angeles.	McCroskey, J. F.....	6	Joliet.
Lyon, John L.....	50	Oakland.	McPherson, Henry.....	503	Trilla.
McCardle, James T.....	55	Los Angeles.	Madison, William A....	706	Chicago.
Osgood, Josiah A.....	55	Sierra Madre.	Martin, John A.....	5	I. O.
Waterman, W. A.....	33	La Mesa.	Milslagle, J. M.....	421	Pawnee.
CONNECTICUT.			Mosher, F. S.....	510	Sandwich.
Abbott, Edward T.....	3	Bridgeport.	Munger, Orett L.....	5	Chicago.
Bechtold, John H.....	61	New Canaan.	Nichols, Homer A.....	33	Galva.
Bellmay, W. F.....	68	Thomaston.	Nowlin, J. B.....	211	Farmer City.
Brown, George.....	9	Colechester.	O'Leary, William.....	134	Sparland.
Chapin, Alvan W.....	13	Bristol.	Oulson, J. G.....	441	Alton.
De Forest, Sylvester....	25	Chester.	Phelps, Roger W.....	309	Princeton.
Disbrow, Charles B.....	18	Panbury.	Pitcher, Lewis W.....	706	Chicago.
McKee, James.....	1	Norwich.	Preston, G. W.....	70	Gibson City.
Newell, Kilburn E.....	71	Ellington.	Reid, George W.....	103	Maeomb.
Peek, E. W.....	26	Derby.	Rexroad, A. F.....	628	Quincy.
Pendleton, Eugene A....	49	Waterbury.	Sholes, J. G.....	312	Moline.
Smart, Thomas.....	50	Hartford.	Smith, William L.....	256	Monticello.
Thomas, George C.....	30	Willimantic.	Snyder, Aubrey A.....	1	Rockford.
FLORIDA.			Squire, James.....	442	Carrollton.
Crosier, Warren H.....	35	Kissimmee.	Stow, B. F.....	312	Wyanet.
Fitch, L. R.....	38	Zephyrhills.	Stuart, Allan W.....	706	Chicago.
Hawkins, William.....	11	Federal Point.	Talbot, Prescott H....	1	Rockford.
Penrod, Hiram J.....	26	St. Petersburg.	Taylor, Thomas J.....	160	Minonk.
Spencer, Clinton E.....	29	Dade City.	Thompson, Wm. B.....	409	Tuseola.
IDAHO.			Triekle, Milton.....	452	Atkinson.
Gardner, George.....	23	Emmett.	Van Brundt, Samuel....	140	Champaign.
ILLINOIS.			Varley, John S.....	28	Chicago.
Abbott, T. J.....	1	Rockford.	Webster, G. W.....	515	Pittsfield.
Aiken, W. T.....	706	Chicago.	Welfly, Samuel J.....	141	Deatur.
Andrew, John B.....	628	Quincy.	White, George W.....	309	Princeton.
Andrews, William.....	1	Rockford.	Will, Charles I.....	299	Dixon.
Atkins, Francis M.....	209	Princeton.	Wilson, Jonathan.....	292	Rutland.
Averill, Orange A.....	231	Hennepin.	Wolver, Robert W....	312	Moline.
Barnard, Henry.....	5	Chicago.	Wright, William P.....	91	Chicago.
Bass, Lucian.....	209	Princeton.	Young, Josiah C.....	174	Bushnell.
Best, Andes C.....	309	Do.	Zimmer, Henry J.....	445	Chicago.
Boyd, Washington.....	441	Godfrey.	INDIANA.		
Cadwallader, A. D.....	182	Lincoln.	Alfrey, James A. E....	227	Hartford City.
Carmichael, C. A.....	81	Kirkwood.	Bozarth, Nelson J.....	106	Valparaiso.
Cramer, Wayne.....	138	Shelbyville.	Brown, J. G.....	424	Greentown.
Cushing, Chas. G.....	309	Princeton.	Clevenger, J. A.....	199	North Manchester.
Faggy, G. W.....	404	Mattoon.	Cochran, Wm. M.....	369	Indianapolis.
Davidson, H. B.....	30	Springfield.	Coley, George A.....	37	Elkhart.
Davidson, W. A.....	270	Eureka.	Conder, Solomon.....	2	Brazil.
Davison, Eli.....	157	Clinton.	Dunning, Jesse L.....	125	Ligonier.
Deegan, James C.....	247	Ransom.	Garrett, Samuel B.....	78	Muncie.
Dilley, John W.....	262	Aledo.	Geiser, Matthew.....	120	Boonville.
Evans, D. W.....	1	Rockford.	Golden, George S.....	64	Brookville.
Eyestone, W. J.....	632	Altamont.	Graham, Henry W.....	114	Warsaw.
Foreman, A. W.....	512	Whitehall.	Green, Abijah.....	38	Union City.
Goheen, L.....	378	Jacksonville.	Greene, John D.....	23	National Military Home.
Hampton, M. C.....	5	Chicago.	Hale, Chas. E.....	14	Logansport.
Harper, D. H.....	798	Do.	Hartman, John.....	171	Brookston.
Harris, W. H.....	551	Stillman Valley.	Haywood, Thomas.....	3	Lafayette.
Hasenwinkle, Henry....	146	Bloomington.	Hoffman, John H.....	125	Ligonier.
Hatch, James S.....	120	Plano.	Jones, Isaac.....	227	Hartford City.
Hayes, F. M.....	182	Lincoln.	Kickley, Joseph.....	40	Fort Wayne.
Herrick, Francis M....	309	Princeton.	Kline, Henry J.....	406	Upland.
Hiser, George W.....	240	Lexington.	Lyons, John B.....	588	Brook.
Hossack, Henry L.....	156	Ottawa.	McClelland, J. A.....	7	Crawfordsville.
Hotchkiss, F. A.....	628	Quincy.	McIntosh, Wm. H.....	67	Auburn.
Jones, Addison.....	573	Chicago.	Marshall, Mahlon W....	9	Rockville.
King, Ben H.....	6	San Marcial, N. Mex.	Martin, George D.....	15	Petersburg.
Knox, Albert.....	309	Princeton.	Medsker, W. F.....	179	Cambridge City.
			Merritt, Alonzo.....	203	Kempton.
			Minnerly, Joel M.....	39	National Military Home.
			Mustard, D. F.....	244	Anderson.
			Neff, James A.....	31	Delphi.
			Newsom, Eli.....	172	National City, Calif.
			Penrod, Solomon.....	3	West Lafayette.
			Ream, Thomas E.....	56	Woodruff Place.
			Roach, J. B.....	51	Monticello.
			Rose, D. D.....	106	Port Hudson, La.



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INDIANA—continued.			MICHIGAN—continued.		
Russell, Byron R.....	7	Crawfordsville.	Spitler, John M.....	107	Dimondale.
Scott, Charles W.....	114	Warsaw.	Stevens, Henry W.....	140	Tecumseh.
Seiler, Cyrus.....	198	Elkhart.	Teed, A. J.....	444	Mattawan.
Sparks, Henry B.....	94	Rising Sun.	Troutt, James A.....	343	Sault Ste. Marie.
Speer, Isaac.....	52	Waterloo.	Warren, Thomas J....	370	West Branch.
Spencer, Corban.....	132	Argos.	Wickham, F. O.....	123	Frankfort.
Stewart, Jonas.....	244	Anderson.	Wilber, L. C.....	402	Akron.
Sullivan, John W.....	72	Washington.			
Thomas, Luke.....	131	Russiaville.	MINNESOTA.		
Towsley, F. E.....	198	Elkhart.	Canfield, George C....	59	Brownton.
Turner, John.....	244	Anderson.	Carr, F. J.....	119	Minneapolis.
Tyner, R. H.....	148	Newcastle.	Cole, M. H.....	123	Faribault.
Van Pelt, F. M.....	244	Anderson.	Coones, F. A.....	45	Winona.
Walker, S. C.....	3	Lafayette.	Cotton, C. H.....	84	Chatfield.
Wilhelm, Jacob V.....	56	Peru.	Deline, W. F.....	92	Cannon Falls.
Willard, Ransom J....	104	Ontario.	Donahoe, James R....	21	St. Paul.
Williams, T. C.....	1	Terre Haute.	Garfield, H. W.....	102	Wadena.
Willis, M. B.....	67	Auburn.	Hendren, James J....	39	Woodstock.
Yerrick, Benjamin F..	8	South Bend.	Jefferson, R. H.....	79	Do.
			Klein, George.....	192	Minneapolis.
IOWA.			Kohr, John.....	9	Montevideo.
Wilson, R. J.....	235	Cedar Rapids.	Jewett, J. G.....	18	Fairmont.
			Marsh, Isaiah T.....	4	Minnehaha Falls.
KANSAS.			Read, Chas. W.....	56	Staples.
Campbell, M. L.....	380	National Military	Riney, O. H.....	66	Austin.
		Home.	Ross, George M.....	33	N. Fergus Falls.
Carnahan, Wm. A.....	380	Do.	Shook, F. M.....	65	Aitkin.
Fisher, I. J.....	57	Wellington.	Stilwell, E. D.....	15	Tracy.
Hopper, A. M.....	257	Garden City.	Tenney, W. P.....	85	Redwood Falls.
McWhorter, R. H.....	90	Coffeyville.	Wells, J. W.....	2	Anoka.
Randall, Thomas R....	147	Beloit.	Woodruff, L. E.....	96	Luverne.
Wolf, E. T.....	71	Topeka.			
			MISSOURI.		
KENTUCKY.			Dutton, H. J.....	69	Springfield.
Barker, Francis M.....	3	Owensboro.	Fox, Oscar E.....	7	St. Joseph.
Grinstead, C. T.....	165	Glasgow.	Swartz, P. L.....	140	Joplin.
Kissinger, S. F.....	11	Fordsville.			
			NEW YORK.		
MAINE.			Osborn, John I.....	20	Poughkeepsie.
Cross, Geo. W.....	6	Gardiner.	Osborne, Isaac C.....	286	Brooklyn.
Libby, Stephen P.....	101	Gorham.			
			OHIO.		
MASSACHUSETTS.			Adams, Jacob.....	22	Defiance.
Hart, William.....	10	Worcester.	Akers, John W.....	422	Uhrichsville.
			Avery, Joseph.....	71	Newark.
MICHIGAN.			Bayne, Wm. E.....	5	Dayton.
Barnard, W. A.....	110	Hudson.	Beach, William.....	396	Centerburg.
Breningstall, H. J....	281	Petersburg.	Bishop, Joseph.....	451	Columbus.
Butrick, R. P.....	45	Adrian.	Bonsall, Charles.....	10	Salcm.
Cannon, E. C.....	16	Evart.	Bugbee, W. H. H.....	4	Ashtabula.
Chase, Frank R.....	126	Belding.	Cary, M. C.....	729	Alliance.
Chorpenning, Chester..	14	Benton Harbor.	Clouse, William.....	165	Ironton.
Colby, Francis M.....	18	Traverse City.	Coale, Garrison.....	29	Youngstown.
Cooley, Franklin.....	23	Bloomington.	Cookswell, George....	187	Cleveland.
Coolidge, Charles A....	384	Detroit.	Cook, R. G.....	425	Richwood.
Davey, Thomas.....	17	Do.	Crawfis, J. A.....	87	Leipsie.
Drake, C. G.....	45	Adrian.	Crippen, J. I.....	99	Bellaire.
England, George W....	455	Montrose.	Crumley, Daniel.....	77	Lancaster.
Gilbert, Lyman A. L..	67	Bay City.	Curry, W. L.....	113	Columbus.
Greenman, W. H.....	454	Central Lake.	Cumpston, L. D.....	296	Croton.
Hill, Silas P.....	137	Ann Arbor.	Emery, Benjamin.....	121	London.
Hill, David.....	461	Boon.	Garner, Alfred.....	25	Canton.
Hodge, Homer W.....	343	Sault Ste. Marie.	Gough, David.....	303	Leesburg.
Horn, Augustus.....	229	Marine City.	Gregg, Joseph O.....	451	Columbus.
Keating, George H....	67	Bay City.	Griggs, Wm. H.....	143	Somerset.
Le Barron, Robert....	147	Pontiac.	Haas, August.....	99	Bellaire.
Lester, Frank.....	441	Mason.	Halliday, W. H.....	451	Columbus.
McNitt, Wm. L.....	90	Saginaw.	Hammond, Youth.....	140	Logan.
Mereness, S. B.....	180	Ypsilanti.	Hathaway, C. M.....	578	Lima.
Nelson, Orlando.....	39	Berrien Springs.	Hill, George F.....	153	Berlin Heights.
O'Dwyer, Cornelius...	17	Detroit.	Holaday, J. H.....	342	Blanchester.
Paul, James H.....	242	Athens.	Holeton, Chas. R....	16	Niles.
Puckett, S. S.....	170	Petoskey.	Holloway, Leon.....	16	Do.
Quigley, Harry W.....	15	Ludington.	Horton, C. H.....	17	Plainesville.
Seel, John.....	14	Benton Harbor.	Hughes, W. J.....	77	Lancaster.
Smalley, W. J.....	109	Coldwater.	Hunt, LeRoy G.....	21	Mt. Vernon.
Spears, D. C.....	10	Dundee.	Jackson, W. M.....	29	Youngstown.
			Johnstin, H. H.....	121	London.
			Kinstle, Thomas.....	41	Wapakoneta.

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OHIO—continued.			OREGON.		
Lewis, T. J.....	88	Mechanicsburg.	Mills, Albert W.....	1	Portland.
McFarland, David I....	29	Youngstown.	Powers, Joseph.....	25	Quincy.
McIntosh, John A.....	187	Cleveland.	Stearns, O. A.....	46	Klamath Falls.
Martindale, John A....	451	Columbus.	PENNSYLVANIA.		
Miller, William.....	451	Do.	Ensminger, John T....	116	Harrisburg.
Morehouse, F. B.....	387	Chadron.	Sloan, M. B.....	162	Pittsburgh.
Myers, John W.....	22	Defiance.	Spayd, H. H.....	17	Minersville.
Naylor, S. T.....	469	Dover.	RHODE ISLAND.		
Oatman, S. S.....	169	Medina.	Partridge, Jasper A....	17	Pawtucket.
Pence, H. A.....	27	Fostoria.	SOUTH DAKOTA.		
Peirce, M. C.....	269	West Milton.	Brion, Enos.....	10	Sioux Falls.
Rowe, George.....	30	Cincinnati.	Davis, J. E.....	21	Lennox.
Sadler, John.....	1	Columbus.	Garner, J. N.....	95	Onida.
Sheidler, A. D.....	31	Old Fort.	Winegar, Albert E.....	74	Sioux Falls.
Smith, Gustavus.....	446	Dayton.	Wright, B. H.....	30	Highmore.
Stewart, F. R.....	142	Fostoria.	VERMONT.		
Swartz, Henry.....	41	St. Johns.	Hyde, J. M.....	42	Bennington.
Titus, S. N.....	117	Marion.	WISCONSIN.		
Ward, A. J.....	27	Alvada.	Bird, F. A.....	11	Madison.
Warner, R. Gilbert....	451	Columbus.	Schneeberger, Jacob...	17	Racine.
Weiser, C. W.....	376	Burbank.	Van Mater, A. P.....	45	Madison.
Whitmer, G. W.....	269	Pleasant Hill.			
Wilder, Daniel S.....	451	Columbus.			
Withrow, James.....	121	London.			
Zehring, S. P.....	23	Dayton.			
OKLAHOMA.					
Thurlow, A.....	.....	Marshall.			

By Command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*



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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
*Lincoln, Nebr., September 2, 1919.*

I. As previously announced, in General Orders No. 9, the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Fifty-third National Encampment, will take place at Columbus, Ohio, Wednesday morning, September 10, 1919, at 10 o'clock.

II. The parade will be organized by departments, each department under the command of the department commander or the senior officer of the department present.

Departments will be assigned to a position in line in order of seniority of date of charter and will form in column of four files front. Each department will promptly take up the line of march as uncovered.

Distances between departments will be 60 feet; between posts 20 feet; between files 4 feet, which distances must be maintained throughout the march.

III. The column will form promptly at 9.15 a. m. and move at 10 a. m.

IV. The formation of the parade will be reported at 9.45 a. m. by Brig. Gen. Jno. C. Speaks, grand marshal, to Comrade George A. Hosley, chief of staff to the commander in chief.

V. A preparatory gun will be fired at 9.45 a. m. Three guns fired at 10 a. m. will be the signal to march.

VI. Department commanders will carefully oversee the formation of their respective departments and will close up to the left of the department on their right, but on the march will maintain a distance of 60 feet between departments. Markers will be placed designating the place of formation of each department. The guide will be right throughout the march.

VII. Department commanders must not leave the column after passing the reviewing stand, but will continue the march with their departments to the place of dismissal of the column. When the reviewing stand has been passed, they must not attempt to review their commands. No organization will be allowed to leave the column until regularly dismissed.

VIII. In passing the reviewing stands colors will be dipped at 6 paces from the reviewing officer and will be maintained at salute until 6 paces beyond him. Officers with side arms will give the officers' salute with the sword. Officers without side arms will salute by touching the right hand to the brim of the hat and looking toward the reviewing officer. Comrades in the ranks will not salute, but will turn their eyes toward the reviewing officer.

IX. Bands and drum corps will take the time of the preceding musical organization, so that the marching column may maintain the same step. All bands and drum corps will cease playing at a point to be designated by a marker and will resume playing 100 feet from the reviewing stand, this point also to be designated by a marker, and will continue playing until they reach Third Street.

X. The march will be in common time, the cadence 90 steps to the minute. The bands marching in close proximity will alternate in playing. All bands *must* play when passing the reviewing stand.

XI. The commander in chief will review the column at the reviewing stand on the north side of the State House grounds.

XII. It is desired that every member of the Grand Army of the Republic present in Columbus will make an effort to participate in the parade whether he has a uniform or not, but it is hoped that all will make an effort to appear in the regulation uniform of the order.

XIII. No flags or standards, except the national and State flags and department and post flags and standards, will be allowed in the parade. Regimental flags or banners will not be allowed. No flags will be allowed in the parade except those flying from a staff.

XIV. Women, children, and civilians will be prohibited from participating in the parade, and department commanders are directed to enforce this order in their respective departments.

XV. All caricatures and undignified exhibitions will be excluded from the parade.

XVI. National officers and past commanders in chief in automobiles will ride at the head of the column in advance of the national aides-de-camp. Automobiles or carriages will not be allowed in the parade column in or between departments. Automobiles will be furnished for comrades who are unable to march.

XVII. When the column reaches Broad and High Streets the commander in chief will leave the column and take his place on the reviewing stand. The other national officers and past commanders in chief will continue in the parade to point of dismissal, and will then return and take their places in the reviewing stand.

XVIII. Aides-de-camp to the commander in chief will report to the senior aide-de-camp at the Hotel Deshler at 9 a. m. on the day of the parade for orders.

XIX. National officers, members of the executive committee, and past commanders in chief will report to the chief of staff at the Hotel Deshler at 9 a. m. on the day of the parade for assignment to automobiles.

XX. The line of march will be 2 miles in length over asphalt streets as follows: Beginning at Broad Street and Grant Avenue, south on Grant Avenue to Main Street; west on Main Street to High Street; north on High Street to Spring Street; countermarch on High Street to Broad Street; east on Broad Street (past reviewing stand) to Third Street, where the parade will be dismissed.

XXI. The line will form as follows:

Platoon of police and grand marshal and aides will form on the center drive of Broad Street, headed west, immediately west of Washington Avenue.

The World War Veterans will form on Broad Street, head of column at Washington Avenue, column extending east.

The United Spanish War Veterans will form on North Washington Avenue, right resting on Broad Street.

The Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., Francis M. Callahan, commander in chief, will form on South Washington Avenue, right resting on Broad Street.

The commander in chief, national officers, executive committee, and past commanders in chief, in automobiles, will form on the south side of Broad Street, right resting on Grant Avenue.

The national aides-de-camp will form on the south side of Broad Street, right resting on left of past commanders in chief.

The departments will form in the order of seniority, as follows:

1. The Department of Illinois, Henry D. Fulton, commander, will form on the north side of Broad street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending east.

2. The Department of Wisconsin, Robert C. Campbell, commander, will form on the south side of Broad Street, right resting on the left of national officers.

3. The Department of Pennsylvania, George W. Rhoads, commander, will form on the east side of Cleveland Avenue, right resting on Broad Street.

5. The Department of New York, Joseph E. Ewell, commander, will form on the west side of Cleveland Avenue, right resting on Broad Street.

6. The Department of Connecticut, George T. Meech, commanding, will form on the west side of Cleveland Avenue, right resting on the left of Department of New York.

7. The Department of Massachusetts, George W. Wilder, commander, will form on the east side of North Grant Avenue, right resting on Broad Street.

8. The Department of New Jersey, Frank J. Briden, commander, will form on the east side of North Grant Avenue, right resting on the left of Department of Massachusetts.

9. The Department of Maine, George W. Goulding, commander, will form on the west side of North Grant Avenue, right resting on Broad Street.

10. The Department of California and Nevada, Russell C. Martin, commander, will form on the west side of North Grant Avenue, right resting on the left of Department of Maine.

11. The Department of Rhode Island, Fred A. Burt, commander, will form on the north side of Broad Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

12. The Department of New Hampshire, Frank W. Wilson, commander, will form on the north side of Broad Street, right resting on left of Department of Rhode Island.

13. The Department of Vermont, A. T. Woodward, commander, will form on the north side of Broad Street, right resting on left of Department of New Hampshire.

14. The Department of the Potomac, H. B. Snyder, commander, will form on the north side of Broad Street, right resting on left of Department of Vermont.

15. The Department of Virginia and North Carolina, Charles H. Haber, commander, will form on the north side of Broad Street, right resting on left of Department of the Potomac.



16. The Department of Maryland, George T. Leach, commander, will form on the north side of Broad Street, right resting on left of the Department of Virginia and North Carolina.

17. The Department of Nebraska, J. B. Strode, commander, will form in the center drive of Broad Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

18. The Department of Michigan, Edwin F. Lamb, commander, will form in the center drive of Broad Street, right resting on left of Department of Nebraska.

19. The Department of Iowa, A. G. Beatty, commander, will form on the south drive of Broad Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

20. The Department of Indiana, William F. Medsker, commander, will form on the south side of Broad Street, right resting on left of Department of Iowa.

21. The Department of Colorado and Wyoming, C. M. Bills, commander, will form on Oak Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

22. The Department of Kansas, Theodore Gardner, commander, will form on Oak Street, right resting on left of Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

23. The Department of Delaware, Richard H. Williams, commander, will form on Oak Street, right resting on left of Department of Kansas.

24. The Department of Minnesota, J. D. Budd, commander, will form on the north side of State Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

25. The Department of Missouri, William C. Calland, commander, will form on the north side of State Street, right resting on left of Department of Minnesota.

26. The Department of Oregon, Daniel Webster, commander, will form on the north side of State Street, right resting on the left of Department of Missouri.

27. The Department of Kentucky, Andrew Offutt, commander, will form on the north side of State Street, right resting on left of Department of Oregon.

28. The Department of West Virginia, L. B. Moore, commander, will form on the south side of State Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

29. The Department of South Dakota, A. L. Van Osdel, commander, will form on the south side of State Street, right resting on left of Department of West Virginia.

30. The Department of Washington and Alaska, A. A. Stevens, commander, will form on the south side of State Street, right resting on left of Department of South Dakota.

31. The Department of Arkansas, Samuel Henderson, commander, will form on the south side of State Street, right resting on left of Department of Washington and Alaska.

32. The Department of New Mexico, O. L. Gregory, commander, will form on the south side of State Street, right resting on left of Department of Arkansas.

33. The Department of Utah, C. W. A. Schnell, commander, will form on the south side of State Street, right resting on left of Department of New Mexico.

34. The Department of Tennessee, F. M. Fessenden, commander, will form on the north side of Town Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

35. The Department of Louisiana and Mississippi, E. K. Russ, commander, will form on the north side of Town Street, right resting on left of Department of Tennessee.

36. The Department of Florida, Theodore W. B. Brake, commander, will form on the north side of Town Street, right resting on left of the Department of Louisiana and Mississippi.

37. The Department of Montana, J. Perry McClain, commander, will form on the north side of Town Street, right resting on the left of the Department of Florida.

38. The Department of Texas, Edward Loomis, commander, will form on the north side of Town Street, right resting on the left of Department of Montana.

39. The Department of Idaho, Silas Wilson, commander, will form on the south side of Town Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

40. The Department of Arizona, A. J. Christian, commander, will form on the south side of Town Street, right resting on the left of Department of Idaho.

41. The Department of Georgia and South Carolina, J. M. Mosher, commander, will form on the south side of Town Street, right resting on left of Department of Arizona.

42. The Department of Alabama, A. W. Fulghum, commander, will form on the south side of Town Street, right resting on left of Department of Georgia and South Carolina.

43. The Department of North Dakota, James McCormick, commander, will form on the south side of Town Street, right resting on left of Department of Alabama.

44. The Department of Oklahoma, F. M. Cline, commander, will form on the south side of Town Street, right resting on left of Department of North Dakota.

The National Association, Naval Veterans of the Civil War, will form on the south side of Town street, right resting on left of Department of Oklahoma, line extending west.

45. Department of Ohio, H. C. Martindale, commander, will form on Rich Street, right resting on Grant Avenue, line extending west.

Disabled veterans, in automobiles, will form on Rich Street, east of Grant Avenue.

XXII. The following comrades, having complied with the necessary requirements, are hereby appointed aides-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			SOUTH DAKOTA.		
Davis, William.....	33	San Diego.	Ainsworth, Francis B..	10	Sioux Falls.
ILLINOIS.			Cross, W. H.....	127	Hot Springs.
INDIANA.			Cuppett, Wm. M.....	11	Canton.
Johnson, Edward S....	30	Springfield.	De Mouth, Carnot F..	64	Deadwood.
MAINE.			Diekens, G. W.....	103	Groton.
Easterday, Jacob.....	74	Remington.	Reustle, J. Frederiek..	9	Yankton.
ALDEN, Seth H.....			WISCONSIN.		
Andrews, Egbert T....	78	Gray.	Alder, Alvin.....	137	Edgerton.
Andrews, M. H.....	165	Bangor.	Barry, M. A.....	25	Lodi.
Carney, Morris C.....	40	Eastport.	Bartlett, Leon C.....	192	Cascade.
Eastman, T. L.....	126	Fryeburg.	Beitler, Lewis.....	134	Bloomington.
Foster, James E.....	105	Bar Harbor.	Breck, Lloyd.....	131	Merrill.
Gray, A. W.....	160	Brownfield.	Breed, George D.....	205	Chilton.
Hartwell, Charles C....	81	Madison.	Bridgeman, C. R.....	45	Darlington.
Hayes, Patrick.....	48	Gardiner.	Buck, H. T.....	210	Hortonville.
Hurley, Wm. P.....	16	National Soldiers' Home.	Cady, Benjamin A.....	178	Biramwood.
Irish, W. S.....	63	Camden.	Chatterton, W. W.....	121	Belleville.
Libby, Alphonso E....	28	Saco.	Christ, Jacob.....	101	Boscobel.
Morris, James W.....	100	Westbrook.	Don Levy, James A....	74	Oconto.
Needham, W. O.....	54	Norway.	Downey, John J.....	34	Whitewater.
Oakman, Winslow S....	48	National Soldiers' Home.	Fox, George B.....	197	Plainfield.
Patterson, John J.....	92	Edgecomb.	Fuller, Wm. P.....	63	Westfield.
Richards, George W....	2	Portland.	Gibbs, Cyrus C.....	50	Whitewater.
Smith, E. G.....	43	Buckfield.	Griffin, John.....	186	Kilbourn.
Smith, Newell W.....	60	Dixmont.	Grow, Allen D.....	237	Pardeeville.
Stone, Jesse M.....	32	St. Albans.	Hagar, William.....	52	Prairie Farm.
Strout, E. B.....	75	Garland.	Hallas, G. F.....	260	Eau Claire.
Wardwell, Cyrus T....	49	Mechanic Falls.	Heimstreet, E. B.....	68	Palmyra.
Winn, George E.....	36	Saco.	Hellweg, John H.....	45	Hayward.
Woodbury, Charles A..	219	Bangor.	Herbert, Henry.....	33	Chippewa Falls.
MARYLAND.			Hill, I. B.....	110	Superior.
Alford, A. G.....	6	Baltimore.	Hillman, W. J.....	30	Richland Center.
MASSACHUSETTS.			Hinman, Wm. G.....	133	Marshfield.
Abbott, John L.....	45	Magnolia.	Howard, A. E.....	13	Sparta.
NEBRASKA.			Kanouse, A. W.....	103	Appleton.
Cooley, R. S.....	38	Waverly.	Kelley, L. M.....	10	Reedsburg.
Whiting, Anson V.....	77	Lincoln.	Kibbe, Alonzo R.....	165	New Richmond.
NEW YORK.			Kimball, W. W.....	129	Oshkosh.
Williams, James B....	455	Rochester.	Law, Robert.....	227	Neenah.
OHIO.			Lohr, Charles F.....	87	Hartford.
Burnett, W. R.....	.....	Soldiers' Home.	Mader, George.....	141	Winneconne.
POTOMAC.			Miller, J. B.....	17	Alma Center.
Gridley, Lucius E.....	8	Washington, D. C.	Myers, Harvey F.....	149	Hillsboro.
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By command of—

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
Commander in Chief.

Official:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
Adjutant General.



## GENERAL LOGAN'S MEMORIAL DAY ORDER.

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GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.*

1. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and those bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory to her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going to reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free and undivided Republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain to us.

Let us then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with the choicest flowers of springtime. Let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor. Let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us a sacred charge upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

2. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

3. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By Command of—

JOHN A. LOGAN,  
*Commander in Chief.*

N. P. CHIPMAN,  
*Adjutant General.*

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Lincoln, Nebr., September 5, 1918.*

COMRADES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC:

The great World War that is now devastating Europe demands more of the Grand Army than any event that has occurred in the history of our organization. Those were mighty words spoken by our commander in chief, Orlando A. Somers, at the Portland encampment when he said: "Men of the Grand Army of the Republic, we shall win this war."

Those were loyal words spoken by President Wilson when he said: "We must not stop this war until the world is safe for democracy."

Those were the words of a true patriot and soldier, when Gen. John J. Pershing said: "We can whip Germany—we must whip Germany—we will whip Germany."

My comrades, let us highly resolve that every declaration set forth by these patriotic leaders shall be fulfilled. Let us demand that there shall be no lowering of the American Flag upon the battle line of Europe—no compromises or concessions—no loosening of the obligations we owe to the freedom loving peoples of the world, until the last vestige of Prussian autocracy and military despotism shall have been piled as a warning epitaph upon the grave of the heathenish Kaiser of Germany. "Unconditional surrender" must be the only terms upon which America will close this war. Let us also firmly resolve if anyone shall attempt to destroy the resources of this country, burn our mills and factories, incite labor strikes or profiteering in any way, or spread German propaganda or sedition or interfere in any way with a vigorous prosecution of the war, they should be summarily dealt with as traitors and punished to the full limit of the law.

Three million sons of America are now in the field—thirteen million more will soon kneel at Liberty's shrine and resolve that it will not be their fault if American freedom does not stand for centuries to come, as it has stood in the past, a beacon of liberty to mankind.

Our Army is largely composed of the lineal descendants of the men who marched and fought with us under Gens. Grant, Sherman, Thomas, Sheridan, Hancock, Mead, and Logan; and the no less intrepid brave men who marched and fought with Lee and Jackson, Longstreet and Johnson. These men will never lay down their arms until freedom and justice shall prevail. Our boys are proving their mettle "over there," showing that the same blood runs in their veins that has ever characterized the American soldier. They are standardizing American valor, they are aggressive, they are forcing the contest; the red, white, and black flag of Germany is sure to fall; and when the war is ended the American soldier will be loved for his bravery and manhood, commanding the respect and challenging the admiration of the civilized world.

I beseech you, my comrades, to keep the patriotic fires burning, see that no portion of your duties to win this war shall be obscured by a single shadow of doubt. Uphold the hands of President Wilson, buy Liberty bonds, subscribe to the Red Cross. Our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, have obligated themselves to raise \$50,000 to be known as "Win the war fund." Assist them in this laudable and patriotic work. The loyal women of the Woman's Relief Corps. What a supreme sentence it is; no other words can express so much. It blends the patriotism of Joan of Arc with the heroism of Barbara Fritchie. It means the sacrifices, patriotism, and prayers of the loyal women of America will help win this war.

My comrades, henceforth let our proclamation be: America, for Americans—one country—one language and one flag.

Yours in friendship, charity, and loyalty,

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Attest:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*



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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
*Lincoln, Nebr., October 14, 1918.*

A wonderful and marvelous history comes into view when we contemplate the life and public services of Abraham Lincoln.

His character was so American and lovable that it has entered all our hearts and all our homes. His life was so great and his principles were so just that they are the beacon light of the liberties of the world, and point to the true principles of humanity and justice by which the peace of the world must be sustained.

Abraham Lincoln proved himself equal to every emergency. He was the child of nature; he was strong of body and sound of mind. So supremely great was he, that the multitudes loved and trusted him for what he was, an honest man; he proved the type he looked to be, the saviour of our country.

In all ages great men have arisen to bless mankind, but Abraham Lincoln was the greatest of them all; he lived to save his country and he died to consecrate it with his life's blood; his name is unparalleled among the world's elect and is immutably fixed; he was purely American; he acted as Americans act and talked as Americans talk. His Gettysburg speech had its abiding place away down in his soul's deep cell and came forth in the pure breathings of undying life to bless mankind.

My comrades, the 19th day of November is the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg speech, that hallowed Gettysburg Battle Field, consecrated by the blood of our comrades of the Civil War.

This year will be the fifty-fifth anniversary of that great day, and I beseech you to call upon your auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, and all other patriotic societies, to meet with you in public places and kindle anew the fires of patriotism, and celebrate this great speech and day with ceremonies, patriotic and appropriate.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Attest:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*

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ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG SPEECH, NOVEMBER 19, 1863.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in Liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great Civil War; testing whether that Nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that Nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate—we can not consecrate—we can not hallow—this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little know nor long remember, what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather, to be here dedicated to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
909 SECURITY MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING,  
Lincoln, Nebr., November 19, 1918.

COMRADES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, greeting:

This is the anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg address in which he says: "The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little know nor long remember, what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living rather, to be here dedicated to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this Nation under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and, that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

How justly applicable are these words today.

The world's greatest crisis has passed; the roaring cannon is stilled; the rattle of the machine gun is silenced; the roll of musketry no longer reaps its toll of human life; the bugle's blast, the shouts of charging men, the quick sharp command, no longer marshal men to battle; the nights are no longer hideous with the whirr of the zeppelin; the submarine has ceased to lash the peaceful waters of the sea with its fury of destruction. And from the frowning battlements and deep trenches of the war swept fields of Europe, we can behold the American soldier returning victorious from the fiercest, bloodiest, and most desperate battlefields of all time, exalted and honored for his intrepid bravery, his gallantry, and his American manhood. And in the arched blue dome of heaven he has forever fixed "Old Glory," the Flag of the free. Those of "our boys" who are resting upon the battlefields of Europe are martyrs, lofty in patriotism and crowned with a glory as exalted as ever inspired a Christian martyr. It was not for party ambition that our heroes fought and died, but it was for that nobler purpose that swells in the bosom of the true patriot that exalts American freedom as a blessing to all mankind.

To those whose lives were spared, we say: Come home, brave boys, your duties are done; America is yours, and the world is your debtor. To the parents and relatives of our Liberty boys can we say: The badge of honor you have so proudly worn has become immutably fixed in all our hearts and all our homes; some are silver and some are gold. With the silver star is blended a nation's welcome. To the star of gold, martyred heroes, around you cluster memories of sacrifice and devotion that sanctifies freedom's cause. America's part in this war has extended the principles of freedom and justice to all mankind. It has broken the fetters of prejudice; it has destroyed arbitrary governments and dictatorial power; it has swept the rule of tyrants from the face of the earth; it has given liberty to all mankind.

My Comrades, this great war was the culmination of the principles for which you fought from '61 to '65, and in carrying forward this great plan of freedom and reconstruction let us pursue it with a vigor and sincerity worth the American name.

Now is the time to display our love of freedom. Our national holidays are near to hand. Make them resplendent with patriotism and devotion. May our beacon light ever be one Country, one Language, and one Flag. And to our Army and Navy we can say—our nation's pride and boast, invincible in war, incomparable in peace. See to it that public meetings are called and that a royal welcome greets the return of our "Yanks" to their homes.

Respectfully in F., C., and L.,

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Attest:

ALBERT M. TRIMBLE,  
*Adjutant General.*



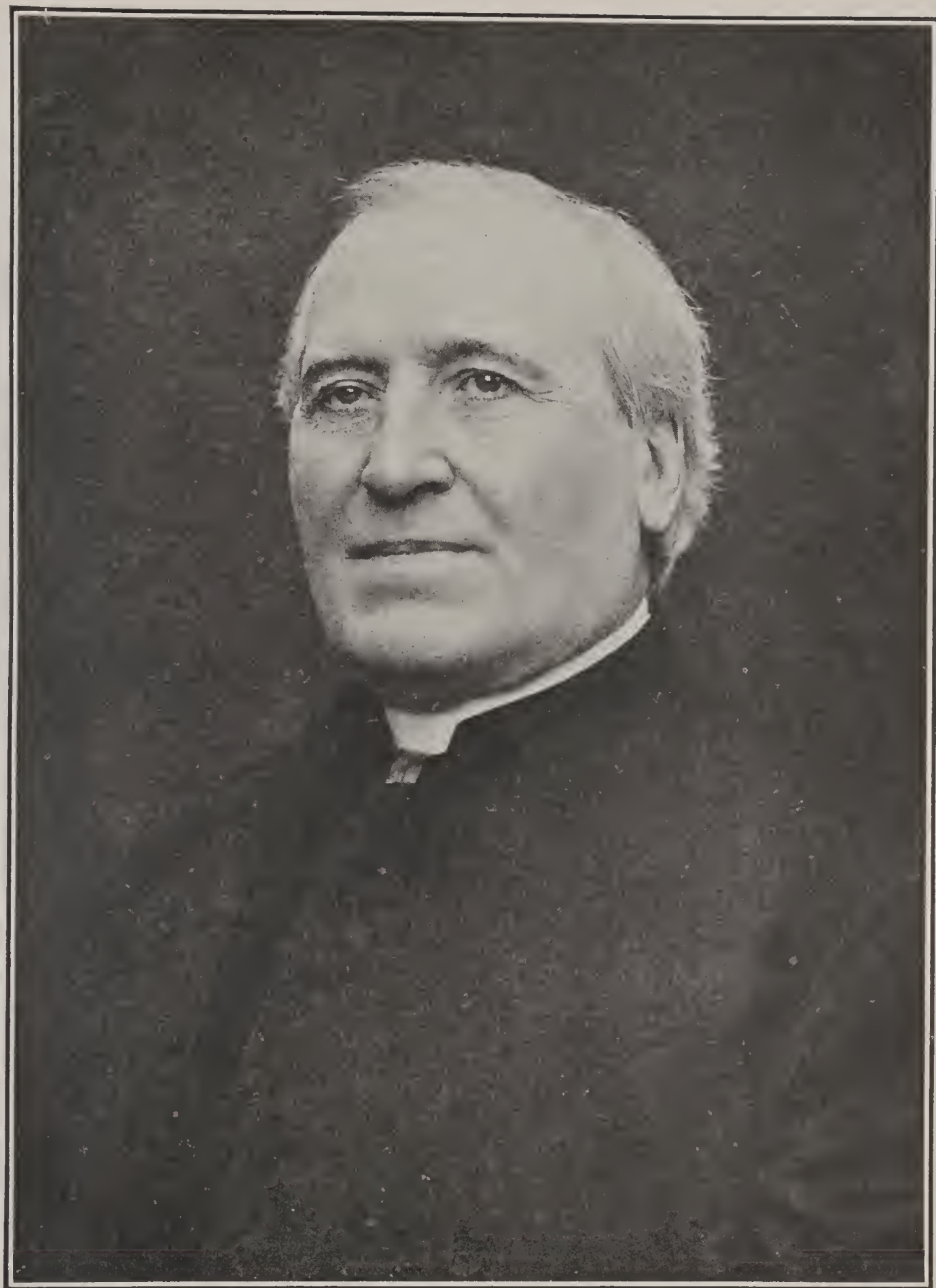


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MOST REV. ARCHBISHOP JOHN IRELAND,  
Chaplain in Chief, 1906.

Mustered out September 25, 1918.





REV. J. WYNNE JONES,  
Chaplain in Chief, 1911.  
Mustered out October 13, 1918.



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Comrade Archbishop JOHN IRELAND was born September 11, 1838, in the village of Burn Church, Kilkenny County, Ireland. In 1849 he came with his parents to the United States. His early boyhood was spent in the vicinity of Boston, and Burlington, Vt. In 1852 he came with his parents to St. Paul. At 14 years of age he was consecrated for the priesthood. Spent four years at the Lower Seminary of Meximieux, France, completing in four years an eight year's course at that school. He studied theology under the Marist Fathers at Hyeres on the Riviera. At the first shot on Fort Sumter he applied to the American Consulate at Paris to return to America. When asked, "Are you a Unionist," he replied, "Undoubtedly, to the last drop of my blood." Returning to St. Paul he earned for himself the title of "Patriot-Priest," and proved his sincerity by accepting the chaplaincy of the Fifth Regiment, Minnesota Volunteer Infantry. At the battle of Corinth it is said that he carried cartridges from the rear, back and forth on the firing line through all that fight, cheering and inspiring the men. After a year of army service, on account of severe illness, he was invalided home. Later he organized the first Total Abstinence Society in Minnesota, and consistently fought intemperance, ever standing firmly for public righteousness and free education. Archbishop Ireland was elected chaplain in chief of the Grand Army at the Minneapolis (Fortieth) National Encampment in 1906. He was elected commander of the Minnesota Commandary Military Order of the Loyal Legion, May 14, 1914. After an illness of many months, and in his 81st year John Ireland, archbishop of St. Paul died, September 25, 1918, at his residence in St. Paul. He had been a priest of the Roman Catholic Church for 57 years, a bishop for 43 years, and archbishop for 30 years. His passing removes a foremost figure in Minnesota and the Northwest, a national figure for many years. As priest, army chaplain, colonizer, temperance advocate, educator, diplomat, orator, and author, a friend of Presidents and Popes, and leader in civic and religious thought, he had been among the most widely known Americans of his time.

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Comrade J. WYNNE JONES was born in Wales 74 years ago. He came to this country with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins Jones in 1854, settling in Wisconsin. When the Civil War broke out he enlisted in Company G, Twenty-third Wisconsin Infantry, at the age of 17 years. Discharged July 4, 1865. Five years ago he was elected chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. Although not in the best of health he attended to his pastoral work until recently. He suffered from first attack during special services on "Mother's Day" in 1916. He was the







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oldest Presbyterian minister in Maryland and had celebrated the 40th anniversary of his pastorate in Baltimore. He died at St. Joseph's Hospital in the city of Baltimore, October 13, 1918.

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Comrade MARTIN V. KING was born in Farmington, Iowa, January 21, 1844, and died at his home in Geneva, Nebr., July 10, 1918, aged 74 years, 5 months and 19 days. He enlisted in the Union Army at the age of 18 years in Company F, Twenty-ninth Iowa Infantry, and was in active service for three years. On moving to Geneva he established a real estate office. He afterwards served as county treasurer, county judge and clerk of the county court. Judge King was active in G. A. R. work, and was elected department commander of Nebraska in 1912.

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Comrade WILLIAM R. WARNOCK, past department commander of the Department of Ohio, died at his home in Urbana, Ohio, Wednesday morning, July 31, 1918, aged 80 years. He enlisted and was commissioned captain of Company G, Ninety-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry July 21, 1862; promoted to major in 1863, and was mustered out of the service as brevet lieutenant colonel of his regiment, August 14, 1865. Col. Warnock was admitted to the bar as a lawyer soon after his discharge from the Army. Was elected prosecuting attorney of his county; two terms to the Ohio senate; served ten years as common pleas judge; elected two terms to Congress, and in 1910 he was appointed United States pension agent at Columbus, Ohio. He was elected department commander of Ohio in 1913.

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Comrade A. L. GROW, the first commander of the Department of Arizona, Grand Army of the Republic, died at Sawtelle, Calif. about the 1st of October, 1918. The only record we have of his service is, that he served in the "United States Navy," and that he also filled various positions of honor and trust, both financial and political.

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Comrade NELSON F. KIMBALL, past department commander of the Department of Idaho, died at his home in Weiser, Idaho, December 19, 1917, age 74 years. He enlisted from Vermilion County, Ill., on the 20th day of August, 1862; mustered into the United States service at Danville, Ill., on the 3d day of September, 1862, as a private in Capt. William W. Fellows' Company C, One hundred and twenty-fifth Illinois Volunteer Infantry; in the spring of 1863 was promoted as corporal, and in the sum-







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mer of 1864, first duty sergeant; was with his company during its service; was captured at Goldsboro, N. C., March 25, 1865, and taken to Richmond, Va., where he was paroled, and was discharged on the 3d day of July by reason of close of war. He was a prominent member of I. O. O. F. and Knights of Pythias, also on the staff of the first governor of the State of Idaho.

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Comrade CHARLES A. CLARK, past department commander of the department of Idaho, died April 25, 1918, aged 78 years. He enlisted September 4, 1864, and was a private in Company F, Sixth Minnesota Infantry; was discharged from the service June 21, 1865. He was a member of the Idaho Constitutional Convention.

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Comrade PATRICK W. SHEEHY, commander Department of Montana, Grand Army of the Republic 1913-14; in 1915 was made commandant of the Montana Soldiers' Home. After two years' service in that capacity, his health failing, he returned to his home in Butte, and was mustered out June 8, 1918, at the age of 72 years. Comrade Sheehy was a native of Vermont. He enlisted in the Second Vermont Infantry, afterwards the Thirteenth, Second Brigade, Second Division, of the famous Sixth Corps of the Army of the Potomac. For many years was employed as assayer by the Anaconda Mining Co.; was a faithful member of Lincoln Post No. 2, G. A. R., and Oswego Lodge No. 9, Knights of Pythias. He was a true comrade, trusted, honored and loved by all who knew him.

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Comrade THOMAS HOWARD SOWARD, passed away at his home in Guthrie, Okla., August 21, 1918. He was born September 26, 1839, near Minerva, Mason County, Ky. He entered the service in 1861 in Company L, Second Kentucky Cavalry, and later promoted to lieutenant in Company B of the same regiment, and served to the close of the war. He studied law in Kentucky and practiced in Kansas. Was commander of the Department of Kansas in 1887, and of the Department of Oklahoma in 1893, and several years assistant adjutant general of that department. He was a candidate for commander in chief before the Forty-eighth National Encampment held at Detroit, Mich. Comrade Soward was certainly one of the best loved and hardest working comrades in his department, and will be missed by all his comrades. He is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter.

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Comrade J. KENT HAMILTON, past senior vice commander in chief and past commander of the Department of Ohio, died at his home in







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Toledo, Ohio, December 29, 1918, aged 80 years. Comrade Hamilton enlisted as private in the One hundred and thirteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and served until the close of the War, being promoted successively to first lieutenant and adjutant, and then to captain. During the Chickamauga Campaign he was assistant adjutant general and chief of staff of Gen. John G. Mitchell's brigade and was especially complimented in general orders for his gallantry. Comrade Hamilton was elected senior vice commander in chief in 1908 and department commander in 1914.

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Comrade WILLIAM F. CONNER, past senior vice commander in chief and past commander of the Department of Texas, died at his home in Dallas, Tex., aged 74 years. Comrade Conner enlisted in 1861 in Knox County, Ill., as a private in the United States Army, and served until the close of the war. He was elected junior vice commander in chief in August, 1914, and on the death of the senior vice commander in chief, Dr. Joseph B. Griswold, March 9, 1915, Comrade Conner became senior vice commander in chief. He was elected commander of the Department of Texas in 1898.

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Comrade WALTER B. VAN KIRK, senior vice commander of the Department of California and Nevada, died at his home in Oakland, Calif., October 2, 1918, aged 72 years. He served during the war in the Fortieth Wisconsin Infantry.

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Comrade GEORGE W. HOXWORTH, past commander of the Department of Arizona, died at his home in Long Beach, Calif., October 11, 1918, aged 82 years. He enlisted in Company F, Sixty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, in 1861; was severely wounded at the battle of Shiloh and was discharged for disability. He was elected department commander in 1897 and in 1900 moved to Long Beach, Calif., and transferred his membership to the Department of California and Nevada.

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Comrade R. E. FITCH, senior vice commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died at his home in Laramie, Wyo., October 20, 1918.

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Comrade WALTER A. READ, past commander of the Department of Rhode Island, died at his home in Providence, R. I., December 14, 1918. Comrade Read enlisted September 11, 1861 in Company D, Fourth Rhode







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Island Infantry; was commissioned second lieutenant November 20, 1861; was promoted to first lieutenant August 11, 1862 and to captain in August, 1864 and was mustered out October 15, 1864. He was elected department commander in 1900.

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Comrade JOHN G. TAYLOR, past commander of the Department of Maryland, died at his home in Baltimore, Md., January 1, 1919, aged 93 years. Comrade Taylor was a member of the Ninth New York State Militia which went into the service in 1861 and served during the war. He was elected department commander in 1901.

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Comrade JAMES M. SNYDER, past commander of the Department of New York, died at his home in Troy, N. Y., January 17, 1919, aged 73 years. Comrade Snyder enlisted as a drummer boy in July, 1862, in Company F, One hundred and twenty-fifth New York Volunteers, and served with that regiment until taken prisoner at Harper's Ferry. After having been exchanged, he served with the Army of the Potomac until the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1905.

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Comrade LESTER S. WILLSON, past commander of the Department of Montana, died at his home in Bozeman, Mont., January 26, 1919, aged 79 years. Comrade Willson enlisted in August, 1861 as private in Company A, Sixtieth New York Infantry. He was promoted until he was made brigadier general March 13, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1896 and had served as a member of the committee on Gettysburg Peace Monument since 1913.

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Comrade HENRY CRUMBLISS, past commander of the department of Tennessee, died at his home in Knoxville, Tenn., May 10, 1917, aged 84 years. He was mustered in as first sergeant in Company E, First Tennessee Infantry, August 12, 1863, and was mustered out September 5, 1865 as regimental adjutant. Comrade Crumbliss was elected department commander in 1899.

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Comrade JAMES R. SLOANE, past commander of the Department of Connecticut, died at his home in Meriden, Conn., February 27, 1919, aged 72 years. Comrade Sloane enlisted in Company C, First Connecticut Heavy Artillery, December 31, 1863, and served until the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1913.







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Comrade IRA E. HICKS, past junior vice commander in chief and past commander of the Department of Connecticut, died at his home in New Britain, Conn., March 23, aged 82 years. Comrade Hicks enlisted as private in the Seventh Connecticut Infantry in 1861; was commissioned second lieutenant, September 9, 1861, and first lieutenant, March 1, 1863, and was mustered out at the close of the war as captain. He was elected department commander in 1882 and junior vice-commander-in-chief in 1884.

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Comrade ALBERT A. MAY, past commander of the Department of Connecticut, died at his home in Meriden, Conn., May 29, 1919, aged 75 years. Comrade May enlisted in Company I, Second Vermont Volunteer Infantry, April 20, 1861, and was discharged December 21, 1863. He reenlisted the same day and was mustered out at the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1905.

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Comrade JOSEPH ROSENBAUM, past commander of the Department of Illinois, died in Los Angeles, Calif., May 22, 1919, aged 81 years. Comrade Rosenbaum enlisted as private in the Thirty-first Iowa Volunteer Infantry, August 10, 1862, and was mustered out at the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1908.

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Comrade ROBERT MANN WOODS, past commander of the Department of Illinois, died at his home in Joliet, Ill., May 29, 1919, aged 79 years. At the outbreak of the war he was at Springfield, engaged in the Quartermaster-General's Department and in mustering troops for the field. He was commissioned adjutant of the Sixty-fourth Illinois Yates Sharpshooters, to rank from June 27, 1864. March 13, 1865, he was brevetted major for gallantry in action and July 13, 1865 he was commissioned captain of Company A, Sixty-fourth Illinois Infantry. In 1866 Maj. Woods became a coadjutor of Dr. B. F. Stephenson in organizing the Grand Army of the Republic and became its first adjutant general. He wrote its Declaration of Principles. He was elected department commander in 1904.

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Comrade JAMES A. EVERETT, past commander of the Department of Minnesota, died at his home in Fairmont, Minn., March 15, 1919, aged 76 years. Comrade Everett enlisted as private in the fall of 1861 in Company F, Seventh Maine Volunteer Infantry, and served in this company until August 21, 1864, when the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Regiments







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were consolidated into the First Maine Veteran Volunteers. At the consolidation he was promoted to first lieutenant; was wounded August 21, 1864, was in the hospital at Baltimore until January, 1865, and in February, 1865, he resigned. He was elected department commander in 1911.

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Comrade W. F. CHAMBERLAIN, past commander of the Department of Missouri, died at his home in Hannibal, Mo., May 13, 1919. He enlisted as a private in Company G, Twenty-ninth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, July 9, 1861, and was discharged as captain of Company G, July 27, 1865. Comrade Chamberlain was elected department commander in 1884.

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Comrade MORTIER L. MORRISON, senior vice commander of the Department of New Hampshire, died at his home in Petersboro, N. H., May 1, 1919. He served as quartermaster of the Thirteenth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry from September 26, 1862, to June 21, 1865. He was elected senior vice department commander April 18, 1919.

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Comrade SYLVESTER J. HILL, assistant adjutant general and past commander of the Department of North Dakota, died at his home in Fargo, N. Dak., March 1, 1919, aged 73 years. Comrade Hill served during the Civil War in Company F, One hundred and forty-first New York Infantry, and was in Sherman's army on the March to the Sea. He was elected department commander in 1907 and for several years had served as assistant adjutant general of the department.

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Commander ALLAN C. BAKEWELL, past commander of the Department of New York, died at Merritt's Island, Fla., March 13, 1919, aged 72 years. He enlisted as private in Battery A, Independent Battalion, Pennsylvania Light Artillery, in 1864, and served until the close of the war. He was especially interested in military training and patriotic instruction, and was elected department commander in 1902.

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Comrade GEORGE A. HARMON, past commander of the Department of Ohio, died at his home in Lancaster, Ohio, March 3, 1919, aged 77 years. He enlisted as private of Company H, Eighty-fifth Indiana Volunteer Infantry, August 12, 1862, and was mustered out June 28, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1906.

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Comrade WILLIAM H. SURLES, past commander of the Department of Ohio, died at his home in East Liverpool, Ohio, March 19, 1919, aged 74







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years. At the outbreak of the war he enlisted in Company G, Second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war. At the Battle of Perrysville, Ky., he won the Congressional Medal of Honor for a specially distinctive service of heroism, and at the close of the war was recommended by his superior officers for appointment to West Point, but did not accept the appointment. Comrade Surles was elected department commander in 1916.

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Comrade M. L. OLMSTEAD, past commander of the Department of Oregon, died at his home in San Diego, Calif., March 20, 1919. He enlisted as private in Company H, Thirteenth New York Volunteer Infantry May 14, 1861, and was mustered out from the One hundred and second New York Infantry, in August, 1865. Comrade Olmstead was elected department commander in 1887.

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Comrade WALTON W. FRENCH, past commander of the Department of Tennessee, died at his home in Chattanooga, Tenn., February 24, 1919, aged 84 years. Comrade French was commissioned captain of Company F, One hundred and fifteenth New York Volunteer Infantry, August 26, 1862, and was mustered out June 11, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1905.

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Comrade A. H. PETTIBONE, past commander of the Department of Tennessee, died at his home in Nashville, Tenn., November 30, 1918, aged 83 years. He served during the Civil War as major of the Twentieth Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry. Comrade Pettibone was elected department commander in 1889.

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Comrade DAVID D. NICHOLAS, past commander of the Department of Tennessee, died at his home in Knoxville, Tenn., November 30, 1918, aged 77 years. Comrade Nicholas enlisted as private in Company II, One hundred and Eighteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, August 22, 1862, and was mustered out June 24, 1865. Following the death of Department Commander Thompson in the fall of 1914, Comrade Nicholas became department commander and served for the unexpired term.

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Comrade W. T. Cox, commander of the Department of West Virginia, died at his home in Elizabeth, W. Va., April 14, 1919, just a month before the expiration of his term of office. We have no record of his military service. He was elected department commander in May, 1918.







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Comrade GUY T. GOULD, past junior vice commander in chief, died at his home in Oakland, Calif., March 4, 1919, aged 75 years. Comrade Gould enlisted as a private in Battery G, Second Illinois Light Artillery, August 22, 1861, and was discharged as sergeant major of the regiment, September 22, 1865. He was elected department commander of Illinois in 1873 and junior vice commander in chief in 1874.

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Comrade F. G. SHEPPARD, member of the national council of administration from the Department of Alabama, died at his home in Birmingham, Ala., June 28, 1919, aged 72 years. Comrade Sheppard enlisted in Company A, First Michigan Cavalry, September 16, 1863, and served until the close of the war. He was elected department commander of Alabama in 1889 and had served on the national council of administration for many years.

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Comrade CHRISTIAN QUIEN, past commander of the Department of Connecticut, died at the Soldiers' Home, Noroton, July 12, 1919, aged 75 years. Comrade Quien enlisted September 17, 1861, as private in the Eleventh Connecticut Volunteer Infantry; was commissioned first lieutenant, April 14, 1864; was later detached from his regiment and made aide-de-camp on the general staff of the Army and assigned to special duty in the West, where he served until the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1919, and at the time of his death was superintendent of the Connecticut Soldiers' Home.

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Comrade ALBERT R. GREEN, past commander of the Department of Kansas, died at Hood River, Oreg., June 15, 1918, aged 77 years. Comrade Green enlisted as private in Company A, Nineth Kansas Cavalry, August 20, 1862, and was discharged in July, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1892.

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Comrade THEODOCUS BOTKIN died at Campbellsport, New Brunswick, in May, 1918, aged 72 years. Comrade Botkin enlisted in 1861 in Company F, Forty-fourth Ohio Infantry, and served until the close of the war. He was elected department commander of Kansas in 1897, and had served as United States consul to New Brunswick for many years.

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Comrade ABRAHAM W. SMITH, past commander of the Department of Kansas, died at Topeka, Kans., January 2, 1919, aged 76 years. Comrade Smith enlisted as sergeant in Company B, First Battalion, Nineteenth







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United States Infantry in October, 1861, and was discharged June 2, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1903.

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Comrade SAMUEL J. LAWRENCE, past commander of the Department of Michigan, died at his home in Detroit, Mich., July 28, 1919, aged 70 years. Comrade Lawrence enlisted as private in Company D, New Fourth Michigan Infantry, August 31, 1864, and was discharged at Houston, Tex., May 26, 1866. He was elected department commander in 1910.

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Comrade COLIN F. MACDONALD, past commander of the Department of Minnesota, died in St. Cloud, August 9, 1919, aged 75 years. Comrade MacDonald enlisted in Company I, Ninth Minnesota Infantry, August 18, 1862. He was appointed color sergeant and commissioned second lieutenant in 1865 and was discharged August 24, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1905.

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Comrade AUGUSTUS J. WASHBURN, commander of the Department of New Jersey, died at his home in Vineland, N. J., August 4, 1919. Comrade Washburn enlisted as private in Company H, Nineteenth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, August 4, 1862. Lost his right arm at Gettysburg, July 2, 1863, and was discharged October 23, 1863. He was elected department commander June 27, 1919.







# COMPLETE ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

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**ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE  
REPUBLIC.**

**FOUNDED BY DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, AT DECATUR, ILL.,  
APRIL 6, 1866.**

*First commander in chief,*  
BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.

*First adjutant general,*  
ROBERT MANN WOODS, Illinois.

*First quartermaster general,*  
JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois.

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

**FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., NOVEMBER 20,  
1866.**

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.  
The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	STEPHEN A. HURLBURT, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JAMES B. MCKEAN, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	D. C. MCNEIL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> .....	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	AUGUST WILICH, Ohio.

**SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JANUARY 15,  
1868.**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> .....	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> <sup>1</sup> .....	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
<i>Inspector general</i> <sup>1</sup> .....	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.

**THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 12, 13, 1869.**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	TIMOTHY LUBEX, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers now appointed.



FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY 11, 12, 1870.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., MAY 10, 11, 1871.

Headquarters established New York City.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, MAY 8, 9, 1872.

Headquarters established New York City.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN., MAY 14, 15, 1873.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN R. GOBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874.**

Headquarters established, Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge Advocate general</i> .....	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875.**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876.**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i> .....	{ W. F. ROGERS, New York. <sup>1</sup> MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I., JUNE 26, 27, 1877.**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

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<sup>1</sup> Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.



TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS., JUNE 4, 1878.

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y., JUNE 17, 18, 1879.

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership, 44,752.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO, JUNE 8, 9, 1880.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., JUNE 15, 16, 1881.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

## SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD., JUNE 21-23, 1882.

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 134,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	W. E. W. ROSS, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

## SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., JULY 25, 26, 1883.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM VANDEVER, Iowa.

## EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., JULY 23-25, 1884.

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

## NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, ME., JUNE 24, 25, 1885.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	SELDON CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.



TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,  
AUGUST 4-6, 1886.

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO., SEPTEMBER  
28-30, 1887.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WHEELOCK G. VEAZY, Vermont.

TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888.

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS., AUGUST  
28-30, 1889.

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN F. LOVETT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

## TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 13-14, 1890.

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 409,489

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> .....	{ RICHARD F. TOBIN, Massachusetts. <sup>1</sup> GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

## TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., AUGUST 5-7, 1891.

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	FRED. PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.

## TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 21-22, 1892.

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	JAMES TANNER, New York.

## TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 6-7, 1893.

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	J. G. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.



TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
SEPTEMBER 12-13, 1894.

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership, 369,083.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	THOMAS G. LAWLER, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. T. H. HAGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartremaster general</i> .....	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	MATT. H. ELLIS, New York.

TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY., SEPTEMBER  
11-13, 1895.

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. THOMAS C. ILIFF, Utah
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN., SEPTEMBER  
3-4, 1896.

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y., AUGUST 25-27,  
1897.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	ALFRED LYTH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> .....	{ JAMES A. SEXTON, <sup>1</sup> Illinois.
	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Junior commander in chief</i> .....	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., AUGUST 29, 30, 1900.

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

### THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in Chief</i> .....	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN McELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.



THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. D. B. SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,  
AUGUST 20, 21, 1903.

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	HARRY C. KESSLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	GEORGE A. HARMAN, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	ERWIN B. MESSLER, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	JAMES TANNER, New York.

THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST  
17, 18, 1904.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> .....	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, Massachusetts, <sup>1</sup> JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> .....	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> .....	{ GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee. E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocates general</i> .....	{ AMOS M. THAYER, Missouri. <sup>1</sup> OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER  
7, 8, 1905.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.

## FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., AUGUST 16, 17, 1906.

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership, 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Right Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

## FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907.

Headquarters established Kansas City. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

## FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1908.

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

## FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, AUGUST 12, 13, 1909.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in Chief</i> .....	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM R. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.



### FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

### FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 24, 25, 1911.

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JOHN H. MCCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

### FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF., SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912.

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	H. Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

### FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913.

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> .....	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, Maine. <sup>1</sup> A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

<sup>1</sup> Resigned.

### FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914.

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> .....	{JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, <sup>1</sup> Michigan. W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> .....	{W. F. CONNER, Texas. OSCAR A. JAMES, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. ORVILLE J. NAVE, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

### FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915.

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,863.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	LEVANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	DR. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

### FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916.

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 149,074.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	CHARLES H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	RALZEMOND A. PARKER, Detroit, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	URIAH SEELY, Newark, N. J.

### FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 20-25, 1917.

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.



FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG., AUGUST 18-24, 1918.

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	CLARENDON E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	CHAS. H. HABER, National Soldiers' Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	REV. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919.

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio. Membership, 110,357.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> .....	{ JAMES D. BELL, <sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y. DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> .....	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio. CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> .....	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif. ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> .....	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> .....	Rev. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> .....	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> .....	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> .....	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> .....	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> .....	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.

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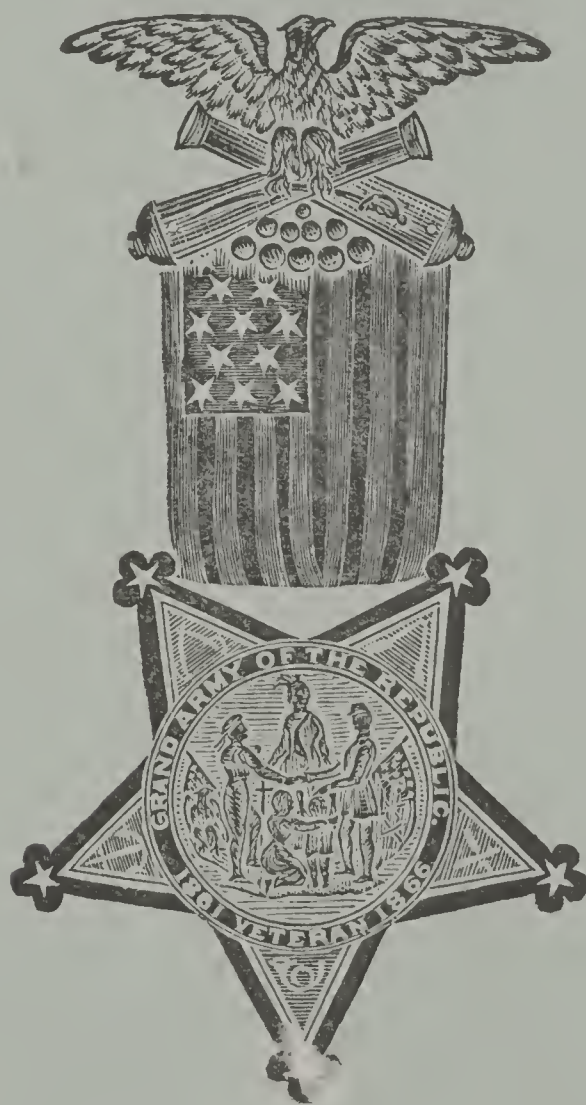


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# ENCAMPMENT ROLL LIST OF COMMITTEES

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# MEMBERSHIP OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The total number of names appearing on the Roll of the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, as shown by the following table, is 1,367.

Deducting previously reported, as indicated by (†), the net voting strength is 1,260.

National officers, past national officers, departments.	Department officers.	Representatives.	Past department commanders.	Total.	Deduct previously reported. (†)	Net voting strength
National officers entitled to vote.....				10	.....	10
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Alabama.....	4	1	10	15	2	13
Arizona.....	4	1	13	18	3	15
Arkansas.....	4	2	20	26	4	22
California and Nevada.....	4	17	29	50	2	48
Colorado and Wyoming.....	4	6	16	26	1	25
Connecticut.....	4	6	16	26	.....	26
Delaware.....	4	2	20	26	1	25
Florida.....	4	3	14	21	1	20
Georgia and South Carolina.....	4	1	14	19	4	15
Idaho.....	4	2	15	21	2	19
Illinois.....	4	26	11	41	1	40
Indiana.....	4	22	21	47	3	44
Iowa.....	4	21	17	42	3	39
Kansas.....	4	19	13	36	1	35
Kentucky.....	4	3	13	20	3	17
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	4	2	6	12	2	10
Maine.....	4	7	16	27	3	24
Maryland.....	4	4	18	26	4	22
Massachusetts.....	4	21	14	39	2	37
Michigan.....	4	17	17	38	2	36
Minnesota.....	4	8	20	32	4	28
Missouri.....	4	11	17	32	6	26
Montana.....	4	2	11	17	3	14
Nebraska.....	4	8	21	33	4	29
New Hampshire.....	4	4	14	22	.....	22
New Jersey.....	4	7	15	26	2	24
New Mexico.....	4	1	14	19	2	17
New York.....	4	33	18	55	2	53
North Dakota.....	4	2	17	23	3	20
Ohio.....	4	38	16	58	3	55
Oklahoma.....	4	4	20	28	3	25
Oregon.....	4	7	19	30	1	29
Pennsylvania.....	4	34	15	53	2	51
Potomac.....	4	4	24	32	6	26
Rhode Island.....	4	3	13	20	1	19
South Dakota.....	4	3	23	30	6	24
Tennessee.....	4	3	15	22	.....	22
Texas.....	4	2	10	16	1	15
Utah.....	4	2	12	18	1	17
Vermont.....	4	5	14	23	.....	23
Virginia and North Carolina.....	4	2	8	14	2	12
Washington and Alaska.....	4	8	19	31	1	30
West Virginia.....	4	3	14	21	1	20
Wisconsin.....	4	11	25	40	5	35
Total.....	176	388	707	1,367	107	1,260



# ROLL OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 19 TO 25, 1920.

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## NATIONAL OFFICERS.

*Commander in Chief:*

DANIEL M. HALL,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, Ohio.

*Senior Vice Commander in Chief:*

CHARLES B. WILSON,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, Calif.

*Junior Vice Commander in Chief:*

ISIDORE ISAACS,<sup>1</sup> New York City.

*Surgeon General:*

STEPHEN I. BROWN,<sup>1</sup> Knox, Ind.

*Chaplain in Chief:*

W. W. GIST,<sup>1</sup> Cedar Falls, Iowa.

*Adjutant General:*

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon, Ohio.

*Quartermaster General:*

COLA D. R. STOWITS,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.

*Judge Advocate General:*

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.

*Inspector General:*

JAMES C. TAYLOR,<sup>1</sup> Newark, N. J.

*National Patriotic Instructor:*

HOSEA W. ROOD,<sup>1</sup> Madison, Wis.

*Assistant Adjutant General:*

WILLIAM S. MATTHEWS,<sup>1 2</sup> Columbus, Ohio.

*Assistant Quartermaster General:*

J. HENRY HOLCOMB,<sup>3</sup> Philadelphia, Pa.

*Chief of Staff:*

GEORGE A. HOSLEY,<sup>1 4</sup> Boston, Mass.

*Senior Aid-de-camp:*

THOMAS J. MCCONEKEY,<sup>1 5</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Comrade Matthews, assistant adjutant general of Ohio.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Holcomb not entitled to vote.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Hosley, past department commander of Massachusetts.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade McConekey, junior vice department commander of New York.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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Alabama	George F. Jackson <sup>1</sup>	Birmingham.
Arizona	E. S. Godfrey <sup>1</sup>	Cookstown, N. J.
Arkansas	Cos Altenberg <sup>1</sup>	Little Rock.
California and Nevada	W. H. Noll <sup>1</sup>	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming	O. S. Reed	Pueblo.
Connecticut	Harry L. Beach <sup>1 2</sup>	Hartford.
Delaware	Henry W. Hancock	Wilmington.
Florida	Henry A. Thompson <sup>1</sup>	St. Petersburg.
Georgia and South Carolina	G. E. Whitman <sup>1</sup>	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Idaho	G. F. Kimery <sup>1</sup>	Boise.
Illinois	John B. Inman <sup>1 2</sup>	Springfield.
Indiana	David N. Foster <sup>1</sup>	Fort Wayne.
Iowa	J. W. Willett <sup>1 2</sup>	Tama.
Kansas	G. F. Pendarvis	Parsons.
Kentucky	Americus Whedon <sup>1</sup>	Washington, D. C.
Louisiana and Mississippi	E. K. Russ	New Orleans, La.
Maine	Edwin Riley <sup>1</sup>	Livermore Falls.
Maryland	John A. Thompson <sup>1</sup>	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	W. A. Wetherbee <sup>1</sup>	Newton.
Michigan	H. A. Chapin <sup>1</sup>	Lansing.
Minnesota	Philip G. Woodward <sup>1 2</sup>	Anoka.
Missouri	John M. Williams <sup>1</sup>	California.
Montana	George H. Taylor <sup>1</sup>	Helena.
Nebraska	John A. Ehrhardt	Stanton.
New Hampshire	John R. Emerson <sup>1</sup>	Dumbarton.
New Jersey	William O. Allen <sup>1</sup>	Newark.
New Mexico	John Greenwald <sup>1</sup>	Socorro.
New York	George A. Price <sup>1 2</sup>	Brooklyn.
North Dakota	Pat. H. Cummings <sup>1</sup>	Fargo.
Ohio	John C. Roland <sup>1 2</sup>	Cleveland.
Oklahoma	F. A. Brown <sup>1</sup>	Shawnee.
Oregon	A. W. Gowan	Burns.
Pennsylvania	J. Andrew Wilt <sup>1 2</sup>	Towanda.
Potomac	John Middleton <sup>1</sup>	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island	John A. Medbery <sup>1</sup>	East Providence.
South Dakota	T. C. De Jean <sup>1</sup>	Plankinton.
Tennessee	Newton Hacker <sup>1</sup>	Jonesboro.
Texas	H. W. Nye <sup>1</sup>	Fort Worth.
Utah	H. W. Charter <sup>1</sup>	Sandy.
Vermont	James Cummings	Orwell.
Virginia and North Carolina	H. W. Weiss <sup>1</sup>	Emporia, Va.
Washington and Alaska	F. H. Hurd	Seattle, Wash.
West Virginia	E. A. Billingslea	Fairmont.
Wisconsin	H. R. Bird <sup>1</sup>	Madison.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Member of executive committee.



## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS.

### PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

B. F. Stephenson <sup>2</sup> (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871)	1866
S. A. Hurlbut, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882)	1866-67
John A. Logan, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886)	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881)	1871-72
Charles Devens, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892)	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1899)	1875-76
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1897)	1877-78
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Feb. 17, 1885)	1879
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1880
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900)	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1882
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1914)	1883
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died June 14, 1909)	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914)	1885
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)	1886
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1887
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1888
Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907)	1889
Wheelock G. Veazy, <sup>2</sup> Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898)	1890
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1891
A. G. Weissert, Milwaukee, Wis	1892
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900)	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908)	1894
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1895
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1896
John P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910)	1897
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office Feb. 5, 1899)	1898
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917)	1899
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 10, 1901)	1899
Leo Rassieur, <sup>1</sup> St. Louis, Mo	1900
Ell Torrance, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917)	1902
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915)	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office July 16, 1905)	1904
John R. King, <sup>1</sup> Baltimore, Md	1905
James Tanner, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C	1905
Robert B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 30, 1916)	1906
Charles G. Burton, <sup>1</sup> Kansas City, Mo	1907
Henry M. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911)	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn	1909
John E. Gilman, Boston, Mass	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918)	1911
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1912
Washington Gardner, <sup>1</sup> Albion, Mich	1913
David J. Palmer, <sup>1</sup> Washington, Iowa	1914
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 29, 1920)	1915
W. J. Patterson, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, Pa	1916
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>1</sup> Kokomo, Ind	1917
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>1</sup> Omaha, Nebr	1918
James D. Bell, <sup>2</sup> New York (died in office Nov. 1, 1919)	1919

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 5, 1879)	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887)	1868
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)	1868-70
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1871-72
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 13, 1896)	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> California (died Sept. 18, 1911)	1875-76
Elisha H. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917)	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1878
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1879
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904)	1880
Charles L. Young, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died in September, 1913)	1881
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907)	1882
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1883
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1884
Selden Connor, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died July 9, 1917)	1885
S. W. Backus, San Francisco, Calif.	1886
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died July 31, 1899)	1887
Moses H. Neil, Columbus, Ohio	1888
A. G. Weissert, <sup>3</sup> Milwaukee, Wis.	1889
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office Nov. 22, 1890)	1890
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907)	1891
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> Detroit, Mich. (died July 13, 1912)	1891
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 16, 1906)	1892
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1893
A. P. Burchfield, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910)	1894
E. H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901)	1895
John H. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907)	1896
Alfred Lyth, <sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.	1897
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (elected commander in chief Sept. 5, 1899)	1898
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)	1899
Irvin Robbins, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Feb. 9, 1911)	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>1</sup> Portland, Me.	1900
John McElroy, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1901
William M. Olin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 15, 1911)	1902
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> California (died Dec. 25, 1913)	1903
John R. King, <sup>4</sup> Baltimore, Md. (promoted to commander in chief July 17, 1905)	1904
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to fill vacancy; died Sept. 19, 1906)	1905
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> Colorado (died Dec. 17, 1916)	1905
William H. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914)	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 6, 1912)	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918)	1908
William M. Bostaph, Salt Lake City, Utah	1909
Charles Burrows, Rutherford, N. J.	1910
Nicholas W. Day, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 6, 1916)	1911
Henry Z. Osborne, Los Angeles, Calif.	1912
Thomas H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> Oklahoma (died Aug. 21, 1918)	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died in office Mar. 9, 1915)	1914
William F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (promoted to fill vacancy Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1915
William H. Wormstead, Kansas City, Mo.	1916
John L. Clem, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1917
John G. Chambers, <sup>1</sup> Portland, Oreg.	1918

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Weissert, past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade King, past commander in chief.



## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903)	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905)	1866-1869
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1870
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 14, 1918)	1871
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>1</sup> Springfield, Ohio	1871-72
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901)	1873
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919)	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896)	1875-76
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)	1877
Herbert E. Hill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892)	1878
Harrison Dingman, Washington, D. C.	1879
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884)	1880
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died June 9, 1912)	1881
I. S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died May 30, 1903)	1882
Walter H. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> California (died Mar. 26, 1889)	1883
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919)	1884
John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900)	1885
Edgar Allan, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904)	1886
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905)	1887
Joseph Hadfield, <sup>3</sup> New York	1888
John F. Lovett, Trenton, N. J.	1889
George B. Creamer, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896)	1890
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1891
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904)	1892
J. C. Bigger, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900)	1893
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907)	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died in 1911)	1895
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906)	1896
Francis B. Allen, Hartford, Conn.	1897
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected senior vice commander in chief Sept. 6, 1899; office of junior vice commander in chief left vacant; died Mar. 26, 1916)	1898
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911)	1899
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (died Nov. 20, 1910)	1900
James O'Donnell, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910)	1901
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904)	1902
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907)	1903
George N. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Sept. 19, 1906)	1904
Ephraim B. Stillings, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917)	1905
Silas H. Towler, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.	1905
E. B. Fenton, Evanston, Ill.	1906
William M. Scott, Atlanta, Ga.	1907
Charles C. Royce, Washington, D. C.	1908
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1909
William James, <sup>1</sup> Jacksonville, Fla.	1910
William A. Ogden, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914)	1911
Americus Whedon, <sup>1,4</sup> Washington, D. C.	1912
A. S. Fowler, Little Rock, Ark.	1913
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Dallas, Tex. (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Mar. 1, 1919)	1914
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, Mich. (elected Apr. 1, 1915)	1915
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>1</sup> Berea, Ky.	1915
E. K. Russ, <sup>5</sup> New Orleans, La.	1916
John M. Vernon, <sup>1</sup> Wilmette, Ill.	1917
Charles H. Haber, <sup>1</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Va.	1918

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Whedon, member of national council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Russ, member of national council of administration.

## DEPARTMENTS.

[The figures within the ( ) indicate the number of each department in the order of permanent organization.]

### ALABAMA (42).

[Organized June 26, 1876; reorganized Mar. 12, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 55; posts, 3.]

Department commander-----	John A. Barr <sup>1</sup> -----	Citronelle.
Senior vice department commander---	James Ashworth <sup>1</sup> -----	Birmingham.
Junior vice department commander---	W. J. Shipman <sup>1</sup> -----	Birmingham.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Charles C. Chapin <sup>1</sup> -----	Birmingham.

#### REPRESENTATIVE.

Louis Marschael,<sup>1</sup> Mobile.

#### ALTERNATE.

Frank Fournier, Ensley.

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Cornelius Cadle, <sup>2</sup> 1868-1870.	E. D. Bacon, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
Datus E. Coon, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	R. H. Allison <sup>2</sup> 1903.
George H. Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1871-1880.	Henry Chairsell, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1904.
F. G. Sheppard, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. G. Negley, Florence, 1905.
William H. Hunter, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. N. Ballard, Birmingham, 1906.
Seymour Bullock, <sup>2</sup> 1891 (died in office).	W. M. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
A. B. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	C. E. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
William Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	C. A. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
J. Clyde Millar, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (see California and Nevada).	Thomas R. Gockel, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Henry M. Austin, <sup>1</sup> Bedford, Va., 1910.
Manoah Bostick, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Charles C. Chapin, <sup>4</sup> Birmingham, 1911.
George F. Wollenhaupt <sup>3</sup> 1896.	W. H. Brooks, <sup>3</sup> 1912.
W. H. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Joseph Greenwood, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
A. G. Bethard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Anson B. Culver, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
A. P. Stone, <sup>3</sup> 1899.	Charles A. Mange, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
George B. Randolph, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	J. J. Powers, <sup>1</sup> Mobile, 1916.
George F. Jackson, <sup>1 4</sup> Birmingham, 1901.	E. F. Quinn, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1917.
	Isaac W. Higgs, Citronelle, 1918.
	A. W. Fulghum, Birmingham, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Jackson, national council of administration.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade Chapin, assistant adjutant general.

### ARIZONA (40).

[Organized Jan. 17, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 75; posts, 5.]

Department commander-----	J. P. Rhodes <sup>1</sup> -----	Phoenix.
Senior vice department commander---	J. Woodson-----	Phoenix.
Junior vice department commander---	Marion Abbott-----	Phoenix.
Assistant adjutant general-----	A. J. Sampson-----	Phoenix.

#### REPRESENTATIVE.

Warren E. Day, Prescott.

#### ALTERNATE.

Milo Webb,<sup>1</sup> Phoenix.



## ARIZONA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

A. L. Grow,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 A. B. Sampson, Tucson, 1889.  
 George F. Coates,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Edward Schwartz,<sup>2</sup> 1891-92.  
 Douglas Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles D. Belden, Ben Avon, Pa.,  
 1894.  
 W. F. R. Schindler,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Archibald J. Sampson,<sup>3</sup> Phoenix, 1896.  
 George Hoxworth,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 James Finley,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 George Broughton,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 R. H. G. Minty,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Prosper P. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 C. F. Schumacher,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 George W. Sanders,<sup>2</sup> 1903.

C. M. Christy,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Arthur J. Judd, Prescott, 1905.  
 James H. Creighton,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 N. S. Fullmer,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 A. J. Doran,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 D. P. Kyle,<sup>4</sup> Los Angeles, Calif., 1909.  
 E. S. Godfrey,<sup>5</sup> Cookstown, N. J., 1910.  
 R. H. Green, Phoenix, 1911.  
 James F. Duncan, Tombstone, 1912.  
 J. J. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1913 (died in office).  
 George W. Reed, Prescott, 1913-14.  
 W. M. Grier, Phoenix, 1915.  
 George W. Barrows, Phoenix, 1916.  
 Henry H. Farrington,<sup>1</sup> Phoenix, 1917-  
 18.  
 A. J. Christian, Phoenix, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Sampson, assistant adjutant general.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Kyle. See California and Nevada.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Godfrey, national council of administration.

## ARKANSAS (31).

[Organized July 11, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 243; posts, 11.]

Department commander-----	Jacob E. Leas <sup>1</sup> -----	Little Rock.
Senior vice department commander---	A. L. Thomas <sup>1</sup> -----	Hot Springs.
Junior vice department commander---	W. M. Sullivan-----	Bentonville.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Geo. W. Clark <sup>1</sup> -----	Little Rock.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

James H. Conley,<sup>1</sup> Little Rock.  
 M. C. Stouteagle,<sup>1</sup> Little Rock.

## ALTERNATES.

Charles Ramsey, Little Rock.  
 Philip Young, Pine Bluff.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Stephen Wheeler,<sup>2</sup> 1883-84.  
 C. M. Barnes, Guthrie, Okla., 1885.  
 C. C. Waters, Little Rock, 1886.  
 Thomas Boles,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 S. K. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 A. S. Fowler,<sup>4</sup> Little Rock, 1889-90.  
 W. H. H. Clayton, South McAlester,  
 Okla., 1891.  
 Powell Clayton,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Logan H. Roots,<sup>2</sup> 1893 (died in office).  
 Thomas H. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1893-94.  
 Wm. C. Roberts, Rogers, 1895.  
 O. M. Spellman, Heber, 1896.  
 A. H. Soekland,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 W. G. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 George W. Clark,<sup>1 3</sup> Little Rock, 1899.  
 A. L. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1900.

W. G. Akers, Little Rock, 1901.  
 John H. Avery,<sup>1</sup> Hot Springs, 1902-3.  
 Edward T. Wolfe, Mena, 1904.  
 W. S. Bartholomew, Mansfield, 1905.  
 J. W. Lane,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Cos Altenberg,<sup>1 5</sup> Little Rock, 1907.  
 Charles E. Newman,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 A. Y. Killingsworth,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 J. M. McClintock,<sup>1</sup> De Valls Bluff, 1910.  
 R. J. Maxson,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 F. W. Tucker, Little Rock, 1912.  
 A. S. Fowler,<sup>4</sup> Little Rock, 1913-14.  
 Charles S. Warn, Fort Smith, 1915.  
 H. F. Wallace, Siloam Springs, 1916.  
 O. J. Kyler, Little Rock, 1917.  
 Horace Wyman,<sup>1</sup> Bentonville, 1918.  
 Samuel Henderson,<sup>1</sup> Little Rock, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Clark, assistant adjutant general.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Fowler, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Altenberg, national council of administration.

## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10).

[Organized Feb. 21, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 4,852 ; posts, 92.]

Department commander-----George D. Kellogg<sup>1</sup>-----Newcastle.  
 Senior vice department commander---G. M. Burlingame<sup>1</sup>-----Pasadena.  
 Junior vice department commander---E. C. Durfee-----Santa Barbara.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----E. L. Hawk<sup>1</sup>-----Sacramento.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. A. Fuller,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 W. A. Huddart, Berkeley.  
 W. H. Amos,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco.  
 L. F. Hunt,<sup>1</sup> Long Beach.  
 T. W. Lincoln, Long Beach.  
 Robert Lyon, Pasadena.  
 S. W. Sutton,<sup>1</sup> Santa Ana.  
 R. A. Sarle,<sup>2</sup> San Francisco.  
 Wm. O'Farrell,<sup>1</sup> San Diego.  
 J. E. Frymier,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 W. M. Sanders,<sup>1</sup> Santa Monica.  
 O. H. Maryatt, Santa Ana.  
 D. W. Hasson,<sup>1</sup> Buena Park.  
 M. E. Gates,<sup>1</sup> Sacramento.  
 J. M. Aubery, Los Angeles.  
 T. M. Barrett, Glendale.  
 Horace Wilson, San Francisco.

## ALTERNATES.

Joseph Diehl, Los Angeles.  
 M. D. Lininger, San Francisco.  
 Levi Garrett, Fresno.  
 J. E. Myrick, Oakland.  
 A. M. Pelton,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 H. S. Enyeart, Los Angeles.  
 Francis McCabe, Veterans' Home.  
 S. S. Stowe, Watts.  
 Alfred Noack, Oakland.  
 Ed. Fitzgerald,<sup>1</sup> Lodi.  
 A. E. Potter, Colusa.  
 Frank P. Wisker, San Francisco.  
 J. C. Warner,<sup>1</sup> Whittier.  
 S. D. Graves,<sup>1</sup> Long Beach.  
 G. W. Wilcox, Long Beach.  
 H. L. Judell, San Francisco.  
 E. T. Allen,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco.  
 E. C. Coombs,<sup>1</sup> Pasadena.  
 John W. Dorsey,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John F. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1867 (Provisional).  
 James Coey,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 W. L. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 W. E. McArthur,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 W. H. Aiken, 1873-74.  
 A. Carlson,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 A. C. Bagley,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 S. W. Backus,<sup>4</sup> San Francisco, 1877.  
 S. P. Ford,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 C. Mason Kinne,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 W. A. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 James W. Staples,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. H. Warfield,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 W. R. Smedberg,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 E. S. Salomon,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 T. H. Goodman,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George E. Gard,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. J. Buckles,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 W. H. L. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 J. B. Fuller,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 E. C. Seymour, Highlands, 1893.  
 J. M. Walling, Nevada City, 1894.  
 Charles E. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

T. C. Masteller,<sup>5</sup> 1896.  
 N. P. Chipman, Sacramento, 1897.  
 Sol. Cahen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 A. F. Dill,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 George M. Mott, Berkeley, 1900.  
 George Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. G. Hawley,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 William R. Shafter,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Charles T. Rice,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 W. W. Russell, Berkeley, 1905.  
 Wm. C. Alberger, San Francisco, 1906.  
 Wm. G. Waters,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Samuel Merrill, Long Beach, 1908.  
 Wm. S. Daubenspeck, Los Angeles, 1909.  
 E. L. Hawk,<sup>1,3</sup> Sacramento, 1910.  
 H. V. Parker, Los Angeles, 1911.  
 Wm. R. Thomas, Oakland, 1912.  
 G. M. Stormont,<sup>1</sup> Pomona, 1913.  
 B. B. Tuttle, Davis, 1914.  
 Hiram B. Thompson, National City, 1915.  
 A. E. Leavitt, San Francisco, 1916.  
 C. H. Haskins,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, 1917.  
 John H. Roberts,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Russell C. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, 1919.

## TRANSFERRED FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877, transferred from Illinois.  
 W. V. Lucas, Santa Cruz, 1884-1886, transferred from South Dakota.  
 A. V. Cole, Long Beach, 1885, transferred from Nebraska.  
 E. T. Langley,<sup>1</sup> Santa Ana, 1890, transferred from South Dakota.  
 William A. Bentley,<sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from North Dakota.  
 J. J. Steadman, Hollywood, 1892, transferred from Iowa.  
 J. Clyde Millar,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Alabama.  
 J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.



## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued.

TRANSFERRED FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS—continued.

George Hoxworth,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Arizona.  
 O. H. Coulter,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Kansas.  
 M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Utah.  
 Perry H. Manchester, Los Angeles, 1900, transferred from Montana.  
 A. H. De Groff, San Jose, 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.  
 James E. Burns, Fresno, 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 John W. Edwards,<sup>1</sup> National Soldiers' Home, 1902, transferred from New Mexico.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard,<sup>1</sup> Santa Cruz, 1902, transferred from South Dakota.  
 John C. Gipson, San Diego, 1902, transferred from New York. *See* North Dakota and Oklahoma.  
 R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
 D. P. Kyle, Los Angeles, 1909, transferred from Arizona.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Hawk, assistant adjutant general.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Backus, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.

## COLORADO AND WYOMING (21).

[Organized as the Department of Colorado in 1868; reorganized in 1876 as Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado, July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming, Aug. 28, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 1,406; posts, 57.]

Department commander-----Marshall S. Crawford<sup>1</sup>..Denver.  
 Senior vice department commander....M. R. Geraghty.....Canon City.  
 Junior vice department commander....A. H. H. Baxter.....La Junta.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Abraham W. Emily-----Denver.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Wm. Butler,<sup>1</sup> Longmont.  
 J. E. Laycock,<sup>1</sup> Manitou.  
 H. M. Rhoads,<sup>1</sup> Denver.  
 F. L. Weaver,<sup>1</sup> Pueblo.  
 J. E. Jewell,<sup>1</sup> Fort Morgan.  
 Jacob Brown, Denver.

## ALTERNATES.

H. W. Smith, Colorado Springs.  
 J. M. Johnson, Golden.  
 F. C. Barker, Denver.  
 S. J. Capps, La Vita.  
 D. D. Desmond, Denver.  
 G. H. Young,<sup>1</sup> Evans.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Andrew Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1875-77.  
 F. J. Bancroft,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 J. W. Donnellan,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 E. K. Stinson,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Byron L. Carr,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. V. Bohn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Henry Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George Ady,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 John W. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thomas J. Fisher,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Delos L. Holden,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 George W. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John C. Kennedy,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Myron W. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Nathaniel Rollins,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 N. J. O'Brien,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 H. O. Dodge, Boulder, 1896.  
 U. S. Hollister, Hollywood, Calif., 1897.  
 W. T. S. May,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Andrew Royal,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 H. M. Orahoad,<sup>2</sup> 1900.

Linus E. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 J. W. Huff, Downs, Kans., 1902.  
 H. S. Vaughn, Denver, 1903.  
 Thomas J. Downen, Pueblo, 1904.  
 George W. Curfman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 L. C. Dana, San Diego, Calif., 1906.  
 R. H. Mellette<sup>2</sup> (see California and Nevada), 1907.  
 Henry C. Watson, Greeley, 1908.  
 John W. Wingate, Durango, 1909.  
 W. W. Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).  
 W. H. McDonald, Grand Junction, 1910.  
 Dexter T. Sapp,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 H. M. Minor, Rocky Ford, 1912.  
 C. A. Brooks, Denver, 1913.  
 O. S. Reed,<sup>3</sup> Pueblo, 1914.  
 F. O. Burdick, Boulder, 1915.  
 James Moynahan,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 W. H. Comstock, Denver, 1917.  
 Asa Curl, Colorado Springs, 1918.  
 Carroll M. Bills, Denver, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade O. S. Reed, national council of administration.

## CONNECTICUT (6).

[Organized Apr. 11, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 1,489; posts, 57.]

Department commander-----Randolph W. Williamson<sup>1</sup>---Hartford.  
 Senior vice department commander---William L. Davies<sup>1</sup>-----New London.  
 Junior vice department commander---J. J. Noxon<sup>1</sup>-----Middletown.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Albert P. Stark<sup>1</sup>-----Bristol.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Frank Miller, Bridgeport.  
 Charles Fenton, Willimantic.  
 George S. Buxton,<sup>1</sup> Norwalk.  
 John H. Thacher, Hartford.  
 Fred S. Snow, New Haven.  
 L. O. Chittenden, Guilford.

## ALTERNATES.

W. H. Huntley,<sup>1</sup> Branford.  
 L. W. Starr, New London.  
 H. F. Wilbur, Meriden.  
 H. F. McCullom, New Haven.  
 John C. Fisher, Middletown.  
 John Service,<sup>1</sup> Norwich.  
 Ira R. Wildman,<sup>1</sup> Danbury.  
 W. H. Shaffer,<sup>1</sup> Hartford.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward Harland,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Theodore G. Ellis,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 William H. Mallory,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 L. A. Dickinson,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Charles J. Buckbee,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 William E. Disbrow,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Frank G. Otis,<sup>2</sup> 1878 (died in office).  
 Charles E. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 George S. Smith, Niantic, 1880.  
 Alfred B. Beers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Ira E. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Isaac B. Hyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 William Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Frank D. Sloat, Washington, D. C., 1885.  
 John T. Crary,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry E. Taintor,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Samuel B. Horne, Winsted, 1888.  
 William H. Pierpont,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 John C. Broatch,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Henry N. Fanton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Benajah E. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wilbur F. Rogers, Meriden, 1893.  
 Selah G. Blakeman, Shelton, 1894.  
 John M. Brewer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Oscar W. Cornish,<sup>2</sup> 1896.

Gustav D. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William E. Simonds,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Henry R. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John K. Bucklyn,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Thomas Boudren,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 N. Burton Rogers, Danbury, 1902.  
 Morgan G. Bulkeley, Hartford, 1903.  
 William C. Hillard,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Albert A. May,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Virgil F. McNeil, New Haven, 1906.  
 Charles A. Appel,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Edward Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Haven, New London, 1909.  
 Edson S. Bishop,<sup>3</sup> Hartford, 1910.  
 Richard J. Cutbill, S. Norwalk, 1911.  
 William H. Dougal, New Preston, 1912.  
 James R. Sloane,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Frederick V. Streeter, New Britain,  
 1914.  
 Charles Griswold, Guilford, 1915.  
 Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport, 1916.  
 Benjamin H. Cheney, New Haven, 1917.  
 Christian Quien,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 George T. Meech, Middletown, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.

## DELAWARE (23).

[Organized Jan. 14, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 225; posts, 16.]

Department commander-----C. A. W. Frishmuth-----Wilmington.  
 Senior vice department commander---William A. Truitt-----Milford.  
 Junior vice department commander---David R. Myers<sup>1</sup>-----Wilmington.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----J. S. Litzenberg<sup>1</sup>-----Wilmington.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Richard D. Short,<sup>1</sup> Harrington.  
 Nathan Levy, Wilmington.

## ALTERNATES.

James H. Porter, Wilmington.  
 Nathaniel Henderson, Wilmington.



DELAWARE—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. S. McNair, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	J. W. Worrall, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
John Wainwright, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	John C. Garner, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Wm. G. Baugh, Wilmington, 1903.
C. M. Carey, <sup>3</sup> 1884.	Wm. Kelley, jr., <sup>1</sup> Smyrna, 1904.
J. S. Litzenberg, <sup>4</sup> Wilmington, 1885.	William Tharp, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
John M. Dunn, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Ira Lunt, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
John E. Mowbrey, Dover, 1887.	Jesse Hellings, Dover, 1907.
R. G. Buckingham, Newark, 1888.	H. W. Perkins, Wilmington, 1908.
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Wm. H. Blake, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Samuel Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	George C. Morton, Wilmington, 1910.
A. J. Woodman, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Wm. Mendenhall, Wilmington, 1911.
George W. Stradley, <sup>1</sup> Laurel, 1892.	Jesse K. Baylis, Wilmington, 1912.
B. D. Bogia, Wilmington, 1893.	J. Rankin Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
J. E. Vantine, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	J. T. Reihms, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Edwin F. Wood, Dover, 1895.	John P. Riley, Wilmington, 1915.
William B. Norton, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	S. Sheward Johnson, Wilmington, 1916.
J. S. Bradley, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. T. Alexander, <sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1917.
Robert Liddell, <sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1898.	Orrin J. Cook, Lincoln, 1918.
William H. Moystin, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	R. Harry Williams, <sup>1</sup> Marshallton, 1919.
Wm. A. Reilly, <sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1900.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Litzenberg, assistant adjutant general.

FLORIDA (36).

[Organized June 19, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 607; posts, 19.]

Department commander-----	Imri A. Spencer <sup>1</sup> -----	St. Petersburg.
Senior vice department commander---	G. W. Brown <sup>1</sup> -----	St. Cloud.
Junior vice department commander---	J. H. Eby-----	Kissimmee.
Assistant adjutant general-----	H. J. Penrod <sup>1</sup> -----	St. Petersburg.

REPRESENTATIVES.

A. E. Shaffer,<sup>1</sup> Lakeland.  
J. B. Wescott, St. Cloud.  
E. E. Webster,<sup>1</sup> Bartow.

ALTERNATES.

M. M. Patterson, Pensacola.  
S. Latta,<sup>1</sup> Kissimmee.  
H. W. Hawkins, Federal Point.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

T. S. Wilmarth, Jacksonville, 1884-85.	Henry Marcotte, St. Augustine, 1904.
G. H. Norton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	T. J. Owen, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
E. W. Henck, Longwood, 1887.	William E. Emerson, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
William James, <sup>1 3</sup> Jacksonville, 1888.	Samuel W. Fox, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
J. W. V. R. Plummer, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	S. R. Hudson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Fred S. Goodrich, <sup>4</sup> 1890.	James Skinner, St. Augustine, 1909.
John H. Welsh, <sup>5</sup> 1891.	James O. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
J. De V. Hazzard, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Joseph Bumby, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Geo. F. Foote, Washington, D. C., 1893.	William P. Lynch, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
David L. Way, Jacksonville, 1894.	William S. Siggins, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
P. E. McMuray, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Lyman Leighton, St. Petersburg, 1914.
L. Y. Jenness, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	James F. Bullard, National Soldiers'
Charles M. Ellis, Jacksonville, 1897.	Home, Tennessee, 1915.
Geo. H. Packwood, Tampa, 1898.	W. H. Melrath, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Edwin Kirby, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	John A. Wallace, <sup>1</sup> Tampa, 1917.
John S. Fairhead, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	H. B. Jeffries, <sup>1</sup> Zephyrhills, 1918.
F. G. Parcell, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Theo. W. B. Brake, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in
S. Herbert Lancy, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	office).
J. F. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	George E. Field, <sup>1</sup> White House, 1919.
E. V. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from New Jersey.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade James, past junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.  
<sup>5</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

## GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA (41).

[Organized Jan. 25, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 116; posts, 7.]

Department commander-----Ira M. Swartz-----Atlanta.  
 Senior vice department commander---J. J. Hardinbrook-----Tallapoosa.  
 Junior vice department commander---C. J. Hitch<sup>1</sup>-----Fitzgerald.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----F. A. Jones<sup>1</sup>-----Tallapoosa.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

A. M. Crosby, Atlanta.

## ALTERNATE.

P. R. Booker, Fitzgerald.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. A. Commerford, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
David Porter, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	C. F. Fairbanks, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
A. E. Sholes, Flushing, N. Y., 1891.	W. H. Kimball, Tallapoosa, 1906.
Thomas F. Gleason, <sup>2</sup> 1892-93.	O. P. Webster, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
C. T. Watson, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Leander Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
I. B. Nelson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Charles R. Haskins, Atlanta, 1909.
John L. Clem, <sup>3</sup> Washington, D. C., 1896.	S. C. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	F. A. Jones, <sup>1 5</sup> Tallapoosa, 1911.
James O. Ladd, Summerville, S. C., 1898.	C. H. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
Alex Mattison, Atlanta, 1899.	P. Q. Stoner, St. George, 1913.
S. A. Darnell, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	S. C. Wade, Cornelia, 1914.
Lewis Thayer, Fitzgerald, 1901.	W. B. Todd, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
W. M. Scott, <sup>4</sup> Atlanta, 1902.	R. S. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
F. D. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	G. E. Whitman, <sup>1 6</sup> Fitzgerald, 1917.
Richard Bond, <sup>2</sup> 1879, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.	W. P. Randall, Atlanta, 1918.
J. W. Scully, <sup>2</sup> 1885, transferred from Louisiana and Mississippi.	J. M. Mosher, Fitzgerald, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Clem, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Scott, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Jones, assistant adjutant general.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Whitman, national council of administration.

## IDAHO (39).

[Organized Jan. 11, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 356; posts, 18.]

Department commander-----John Carr<sup>1</sup>-----Coeur d'Alene.  
 Senior vice department commander---F. J. Titus-----Nampa.  
 Junior vice department commander---John Frederick<sup>1</sup>-----Coeur d'Alene.  
 Assistant adjutant general---C. F. Drake<sup>1</sup>-----Boise.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. B. Wentley,<sup>1</sup> Boise.  
 Adolph Miles,<sup>1</sup> Coeur d'Alene.

## ALTERNATES.

J. M. Gill, Boise.  
 Geo. D. Smith, Boise.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. Nye, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	C. F. Drake, <sup>4</sup> Weiser, 1904.
A. S. Senter, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George A. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
W. T. Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Alfred Anderson, Boise, 1906.
Judson Spofford, Boise, 1891.	A. M. Rowe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
A. O. Ingalls, Murray, 1892.	William K. Jamieson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
R. H. Barton, <sup>1</sup> Moscow, 1893.	Stewart Young, Rathdrum, 1909.
T. J. Groome, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Willard White, Boise, 1910.
D. H. Budlong, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	M. W. Wood, <sup>1</sup> Boise, 1911.
J. L. Fuller, Shoshone, 1896.	James W. Shields, Twin Falls, 1912.
Lindol Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	A. G. Nettleton, Nampa, 1913.
N. F. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	H. J. Newhouse, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
S. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	William H. Cable, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Charles A. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	R. H. Barnes, Twin Falls, 1916.
William C. Maxey, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	George F. Kimery, <sup>1 5</sup> Boise, 1917.
George M. Parsons, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	F. T. Page, Weiser, 1918.
E. S. Whittier, <sup>3</sup> 1903.	Silas Wilson, <sup>1</sup> Nampa, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Drake, assistant adjutant general.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Kimery, national council of administration.



## ILLINOIS (1).

[Organized Apr. 6, 1866. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 7,625; posts, 347.]

Department commander-----Edwin N. Armstrong<sup>1</sup>---Peoria.  
 Senior vice department commander---E. W. Willard-----Joliet.  
 Junior vice department commander---Geo. W. Huntoon<sup>1</sup>-----Lake Forest.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Henry C. Cooke<sup>1</sup>-----Chicago.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John S. Varley,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 J. L. Dannenhowe,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 William H. Squire,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 C. W. Barr,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 John B. Thomas,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 T. J. Abbott, Rockford.  
 C. H. Davis,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 H. J. Zimmer,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 E. S. Johnson,<sup>1</sup> Springfield.  
 Addison Jones,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 M. L. Rohrer,<sup>1</sup> Evanston.  
 J. F. McCroskey,<sup>1</sup> Joliet.  
 C. T. Marsh,<sup>1</sup> Rockford.  
 Charles Pratt,<sup>1</sup> Rochelle.  
 M. R. Metzger,<sup>1</sup> Moline.  
 Samuel White,<sup>1</sup> Galesburg.  
 H. B. Doll,<sup>1</sup> Peoria.  
 G. B. Larison,<sup>1</sup> Bloomington.  
 James P. Bailey,<sup>1</sup> Danville.  
 S. A. Campbell,<sup>1</sup> Mattoon.  
 L. Goheen,<sup>1</sup> Jacksonville.  
 John Underfanger,<sup>1</sup> Springfield.  
 John G. Oulsen,<sup>1</sup> Alton.  
 D. C. Zimmerman,<sup>1</sup> Vandalia.  
 L. Zellars, Lincoln.  
 J. N. Fitch,<sup>1</sup> Cobden.

## ALTERNATES.

M. Hulett, Chicago.  
 Valentine Eckart, Chicago.  
 Charles Smith, Chicago.  
 A. E. Gage, Chicago.  
 E. R. Lewis, Evanston.  
 John A. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 S. G. Hickok, Maywood.  
 R. H. Peterson, Chicago.  
 John Carmichael, Chicago.  
 Samuel I. Pope, Libertyville.  
 H. K. Wolcott, Batavia.  
 L. D. Howe, Streator.  
 J. M. Brown, Freeport.  
 R. H. Mead, Augusta.  
 W. H. Stobie, Quincy.  
 A. C. Bennett, Pekin.  
 F. O. Walrich, Piper City.  
 Johnson Gammel, Danville.  
 Wm. E. Smith, Monticello.  
 S. O. Barr, Jacksonville.  
 J. S. Nottingham, Springfield.  
 Perry Martin, East St. Louis.  
 J. T. Cunningham, Centralia.  
 R. I. Law, Galesburg.  
 W. W. Bean, Streator.  
 W. J. Libberton,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

B. F. Stephenson,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 John M. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1866-68.  
 Charles E. Lippincott,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 Guy T. Gould,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 H. Hilliard,<sup>2</sup> 1874-76.  
 Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 T. B. Coulter, Canon City, Colo., 1878.  
 Edgar D. Swain,<sup>2</sup> 1879-80.  
 J. W. Burst,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Thomas G. Lawler,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Samuel A. Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 L. T. Dickason,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 W. W. Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Philip Sidney Post,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 A. C. Sweetser,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 James A. Sexton,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 James S. Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 William L. Distin,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Horace S. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Edwin Harlan,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Edward A. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 H. H. McDowell,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 William H. Powell,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 William G. Cochran, Sullivan, 1896.

Albert L. Schimpff,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 John C. Black,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John B. Inman,<sup>1 3</sup> Springfield, 1899.  
 Joel M. Longnecker,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 N. B. Thistlewood,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 H. M. Trimble,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Benson Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Robert Mann Woods,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 John C. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Edwin H. Buck,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 A. C. Mathews,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Joseph Rosenbaum,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Philip C. Hayes,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 James A. Connolly,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 C. C. Duffy,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas H. Gault,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 J. H. Crowder,<sup>1</sup> Bethany, 1913.  
 Samuel Fallows,<sup>1</sup> Chicago, 1914.  
 John M. Snyder, Canton, 1915.  
 W. F. Calhoun,<sup>1</sup> Decatur, 1916.  
 C. S. Bentley,<sup>1</sup> LaGrange, 1917.  
 Joseph W. Fifer, Bloomington, 1918.  
 Henry D. Fulton,<sup>1</sup> Chicago, 1919.

Milton Stewart, Chicago, 1885, transferred from Kansas.  
 Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Indiana.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Inman, national council of administration.

## INDIANA (20).

[Organized Aug. 20, 1866; reorganized Oct. 3, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 6,309; posts, 231.]

Department commander-----Robert W. McBride<sup>1</sup>-----Indianapolis.  
 Senior vice department commander-----Charles W. Shaw<sup>1</sup>-----Bloomington.  
 Junior vice department commander-----James S. Wright<sup>1</sup>-----Rockport.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Albert J. Ball<sup>1</sup>-----Indianapolis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Mahlon D. Butler,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 J. W. Spain,<sup>1</sup> Evansville.  
 George D. Abraham,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 Louis Bir, New Albany.  
 James M. Brown,<sup>1</sup> Franklin.  
 C. C. Gourley,<sup>1</sup> Franklin.  
 R. L. Kennedy,<sup>1</sup> Center Point.  
 George W. Hill,<sup>1</sup> Shelbyville.  
 Wm. L. Heiskell,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 J. H. Holland,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 Jacob Ludy,<sup>1</sup> Union City.  
 F. M. Van Pelt,<sup>1</sup> Anderson.  
 Hez Robison,<sup>1</sup> Burroughs.  
 T. R. Caldwell,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon.  
 P. A. Holliday,<sup>1</sup> Brookston.  
 Henry A. Miller,<sup>1</sup> Montmorenci.  
 O. W. Lamport,<sup>1</sup> Wabash.  
 Charles E. Hale,<sup>1</sup> Logansport.  
 S. S. Kelker,<sup>1</sup> Fort Wayne.  
 David Smeltzer,<sup>1</sup> Elkhart.  
 B. E. Bear,<sup>1</sup> Mill Creek.  
 Geo. D. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Petersburg.

## ALTERNATES.

William Matthew, Centerville.  
 R. L. Clark, Princeton.  
 T. M. Ryan, Bloomfield.  
 Jacob Snyder,<sup>1</sup> Cannelton.  
 Watson Bostic, Greensburg.  
 Chas. E. Potter, Columbus.  
 H. P. Dorsett, Greencastle.  
 W. M. Heaton, Knightstown.  
 Z. T. Landers, Indianapolis.  
 I. S. Wagner, Indianapolis.  
 Robert Dorste, Anderson.  
 M. M. Justus, Bluffton.  
 J. W. F. Thomas, Delphi.  
 I. T. Huckleberry, Zionsville.  
 Jacob Fisher, Chalmers.  
 A. A. Jones, Battle Ground.  
 Geo. W. Steele, Marion.  
 Benj. Shinn, Hartford City.  
 J. H. Hoffinan, Ligonier.  
 J. G. Kratli, Knox.  
 John C. Gordon, Argos.  
 James Buckley, Brookville.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Robert S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 Nathan Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Robert S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Oliver M. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Louis Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71  
 Jonathan B. Hager,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Samuel E. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William W. Dudley,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James R. Carnahan,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Edwin Nicar,<sup>1</sup> South Bend, 1884.  
 David N. Foster,<sup>1,3</sup> Fort Wayne, 1885.  
 Thomas W. Bennett,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Ira J. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Argus D. Vanosdol,<sup>1</sup> Madison, 1888.  
 Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Gil R. Stormont, Princeton, 1890.  
 Ivan N. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Joseph B. Cheadle,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 James T. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Albert O. Marsh,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Harvey B. Shively,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Henry M. Caylor, Noblesville, 1896.  
 James S. Dodge, Elkhart, 1897.

Daniel Ryan,<sup>1</sup> Carthage, 1898.  
 William L. Dunlap,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 David E. Beem,<sup>1</sup> Spencer, 1900.  
 Milton Garrigus,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Benjamin Starr,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Geo. W. Grubbs, Martinsville, 1903.  
 Daniel R. Lucas,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Marine D. Tackett,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Edmund R. Brown,<sup>1</sup> Winamac, 1906.  
 Wm. A. Ketcham,<sup>1,4</sup> Indianapolis, 1907.  
 John D. Alexander,<sup>1</sup> Springville, 1908.  
 Orlando A. Somers,<sup>1,5</sup> Kokomo, 1909.  
 Alex. P. Asbury,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Dan Waugh, Tipton, 1911.  
 Frank Swigart,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 W. E. Gorsuch,<sup>1</sup> South Bend, 1912.  
 Daniel W. Comstock,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 A. B. Crampton, Marion, 1914.  
 Lewis King,<sup>1</sup> Vernon, 1915.  
 V. V. Williams, Bedford, 1916.  
 Samuel M. Hench,<sup>1</sup> Ft. Wayne, 1917.  
 Alonzo Murphy,<sup>1</sup> Greensburg, 1918.  
 William F. Medsker,<sup>1</sup> Cambridge City,  
 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Foster, national council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Ketcham, judge advocate general.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Somers, past commander in chief.



## IOWA (19).

[Organized Sept. 26, 1866; reorganized Jan. 23, 1879. Membership. Dec. 31, 1919, 5,977; posts, 265.]

Department commander	R. L. Chase <sup>1</sup>	Des Moines.
Senior vice department commander	T. R. Bickley <sup>1</sup>	Ottumwa.
Junior vice department commander	John F. Troutner <sup>1</sup>	Charles City.
Assistant adjutant general	J. Z. Benson <sup>1</sup>	Des Moines.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

W. H. Needham,<sup>1</sup> Sigourney.  
W. F. Gilbert,<sup>1</sup> Burlington.  
Thos. W. Wheeler,<sup>1</sup> Clinton.  
S. E. Walcott,<sup>1</sup> Davenport.  
L. A. Devendorf,<sup>1</sup> Eldora.  
William Blades,<sup>1</sup> Dubuque.  
Charles M. Adams,<sup>1</sup> Mason City.  
J. O. Stewart,<sup>1</sup> Cedar Rapids.  
R. H. Ryan,<sup>1</sup> Tama.  
W. H. Shaw,<sup>1</sup> Oskaloosa.  
C. D. Doak,<sup>1</sup> Bloomfield.  
W. A. Abbett,<sup>1</sup> Des Moines.  
Asa Turner,<sup>1</sup> Maxwell.  
J. W. Stratton,<sup>1</sup> Creston.  
J. S. Noble,<sup>1</sup> New Market.  
David D. Pettitt,<sup>1</sup> Greenfield.  
J. J. C. Weldon,<sup>1</sup> Mondamin.  
J. R. White,<sup>1</sup> Webster City.  
S. C. Spear,<sup>1</sup> Algona.  
Thomas A. Sheppard, Sioux City.  
Hook Calvin,<sup>1</sup> Sioux City.

## ALTERNATES.

W. H. Barker,<sup>1</sup> Sioux City.  
J. M. Gregg, Fairfield.  
John Koehler, Muscatine.  
D. E. Wells, Clinton.  
E. H. Chapman, Cedar Falls.  
John G. Hartman, Iowa Falls.  
J. G. Wright, Nashua.  
S. A. Peterson, Nashua.  
David Heisey, Anamosa.  
J. C. Kendrick, Ottumwa.  
J. W. Wilsie, Montezuma.  
John B. Anderson, Winterset.  
C. H. Gross, Des Moines.  
D. B. Cowles, Chariton.  
E. H. Scales, Corydon.  
Sidney Pitt, Logan.  
D. R. Witter, Council Bluffs.  
D. A. Haggard, Algona.  
C. E. Rogers, Boone.  
W. Rhynsbarger, Orange City.  
W. S. Freeman, Le Mars.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Parrott,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
A. A. Perkins,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
H. E. Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
W. F. Conrad,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
Peter V. Cary, Des Moines, 1881.  
George B. Hugin,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
John B. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
E. G. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
W. R. Manning,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
W. A. McHenry, Denison, 1886.  
J. M. Tuttle,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
E. A. Consigny,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
Charles H. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Mason P. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Charles L. Davidson, 1891.  
J. J. Steadman,<sup>3</sup> Hollywood, Calif.,  
1892.  
Phil. Schaller,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
Geo. A. Newman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
J. K. P. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
Josiah Given,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
A. H. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1897.

R. W. Tirrell, Manchester, 1898.  
C. F. Bailey, Barney, N. D., 1899.  
M. B. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
George Metzger, Davenport, 1901.  
John Lindt,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
L. B. Raymond,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
R. T. St. John, Riceville, 1904.  
S. H. Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
Charles A. Clarke,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
David J. Palmer,<sup>1 4</sup> Washington, 1907.  
J. C. Milliman, Logan, 1908.  
M. McDonald, Bayard, 1909.  
H. A. Dyer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
Lot Abraham,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
J. D. Brown, Leon, 1912.  
J. W. Willett,<sup>1 5</sup> Tama, 1913.  
Byron C. Ward, Des Moines, 1914.  
John E. Merry,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
John H. Mills,<sup>1</sup> Redfield, 1916.  
J. L. Farrington,<sup>1</sup> Iowa Falls, 1917.  
E. J. C. Bealer, Cedar Rapids, 1918.  
A. G. Beatty,<sup>1</sup> Independence, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Steadman. See California and Nevada.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Palmer, past commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Willett, national council of administration.

## KANSAS (22).

[Organized Dec. 7, 1866; reorganized Mar. 16, 1880. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 5,359; posts, 256.]

Department commander-----	Joseph A. Walter <sup>1</sup> -----	Great Bend.
Senior vice department commander-----	W. H. Mitchell <sup>1</sup> -----	Hutchinson.
Junior vice department commander-----	C. H. Hoyt <sup>1</sup> -----	Lawrence.
Assistant adjutant general-----	George W. Thatcher <sup>1</sup> -----	Topeka.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

W. W. Denison,<sup>1</sup> Topeka.  
 D. B. Clum,<sup>1</sup> Parsons.  
 John Warner,<sup>1</sup> Manhattan.  
 Charles Taylor, Leavenworth.  
 Scott Kelsey,<sup>1</sup> Topeka.  
 I. O. Peck,<sup>1</sup> Fort Scott.  
 J. H. Osborn,<sup>1</sup> Humboldt.  
 George Abbott,<sup>1</sup> Winfield.  
 C. W. Kent, Coffeyville.  
 George Plumb,<sup>1</sup> Emporia.  
 C. T. Ackley,<sup>1</sup> Peabody.  
 W. H. Smith, Marysville.  
 W. T. Short,<sup>1</sup> Concordia.  
 E. J. Goubleman, Wilson.  
 Hiram M. Crist,<sup>1</sup> Osborne.  
 James A. Arment,<sup>1</sup> Dodge City.  
 John E. Holmes,<sup>1</sup> Hutchinson.  
 J. N. Miller,<sup>1</sup> Wichita.  
 Fred Jackson,<sup>1</sup> McPherson.

## ALTERNATES.

W. J. Stagg,<sup>1</sup> Topeka.  
 G. D. Kelsey, Baxter Springs.  
 John Davidson, Harveyville.  
 J. G. Hanna,<sup>1</sup> Hiawatha.  
 W. A. Carnahan, National Military Home.  
 B. F. Pugh, Ottawa.  
 A. W. Caman, LaCygne.  
 J. A. Boutell, Howard.  
 R. H. McWhorter, Coffeyville.  
 E. R. Haynes,<sup>1</sup> Glasco.  
 A. J. Stockton, Concordia.  
 M. Haffamier, Hays.  
 G. F. Hilton,<sup>1</sup> Osborne.  
 L. N. Wilson, Ness City.  
 R. H. Clearwater, Hutchinson.  
 A. B. Gilbert, Newton.  
 H. Burgener, Newton.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John A. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	D. W. Eastman, <sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Oklahoma).
John C. Carpenter, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	O. H. Coulter, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (see California and Nevada).
W. S. Jenkins, <sup>2</sup> 1872-73 (see Missouri).	W. W. Martin, National Military Home, 1900.
Stephen A. Cobb, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	J. B. Remington, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
John Guthrie, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	H. C. Loomis, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
J. H. Gilpatrick, <sup>2</sup> 1877-78.	Abraham W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
J. C. Walkinshaw, <sup>2</sup> 1879-82.	Charles Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Thomas J. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	P. H. Coney, <sup>1</sup> Topeka, 1905-06.
Homer W. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	R. A. Campbell, <sup>1</sup> Hutchinson, 1907.
Milton J. Stewart, <sup>3</sup> Chicago, Ill., 1885.	W. A. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
C. J. McDivitt, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Joel H. Rickel, Chanute, 1909.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1887 (see Oklahoma).	Nathan E. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
J. W. Feighan, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	T. P. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Henry Booth, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. N. Harrison, <sup>1</sup> Topeka, 1912-13.
Ira F. Collins, <sup>1</sup> Sabetha, 1890.	Ira D. Brougher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Timothy McCarthy, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	C. A. Meek, Wichita, 1915.
A. R. Green, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	R. M. Painter, Meade, 1916.
Bernard Kelley, Topeka, 1893.	A. C. Pierce, <sup>1</sup> Junction City, 1917.
W. P. Campbell, Wichita, 1894.	W. W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
John P. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Theodore Gardner, <sup>1</sup> Lawrence, 1919.
W. C. Whitney, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	
Theo. Botkin, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Stewart. See Illinois.



## KENTUCKY (27).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 535; posts, 52.]

Department commander-----	M. H. Davidson <sup>1</sup> -----	Louisville.
Senior vice department commander----	H. C. Truman <sup>1</sup> -----	Fordsville.
Junior vice department commander----	Robert Edwards <sup>1</sup> -----	Lebanon.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John Barr <sup>1</sup> -----	Lebanon.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Jacob Seibert,<sup>1</sup> Louisville.  
 W. G. Stewart,<sup>1</sup> Frankfort.  
 Stephen Graves,<sup>1</sup> Campbellsville.

## ALTERNATES.

John T. English, Louisville.  
 George Thomas, Georgetown.  
 William Forester, Dayton.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Michie,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 W. H. Harton,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 George W. Northup,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 T. Z. Morrow,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 William Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 O. A. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Vincent Boreing,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Michael Minton,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Samuel G. Hillis,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Edward H. Hobson,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 T. E. Livezey,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Daniel O'Riley,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 R. M. Kelly,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Americus Whedon,<sup>1 3</sup> Washington, D. C.,  
 1896.  
 Andrew J. Tharp,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 John W. Hammond,<sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1898.  
 Joseph H. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 L. M. Drye,<sup>1</sup> Bradfordsville, 1900.

John Blaes,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 T. F. Beyland,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 W. G. Foree,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, Ind., 1903.  
 William T. Bausmith,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Bernard Mathews, Louisville, 1905.  
 George T. Grinstead,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Le Vant Dodge,<sup>1 4</sup> Berea, 1907-08.  
 R. B. Hewetson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 S. D. Van Pelt, Danville, 1910.  
 C. C. Degman,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 John Barr,<sup>1 5</sup> Lebanon, 1912.  
 W. J. L. Hughes,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Edwin Farley,<sup>1</sup> Paducah, 1914.  
 John T. Gunn, Lexington, 1915.  
 Sam D. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 James R. Howard,<sup>1</sup> Lexington, 1917.  
 T. A. Casey, Dayton, 1918.  
 Andrew Offutt,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Whedon, national council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Dodge, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Barr, assistant adjutant general.

## LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI (35).

[Organized as the Department of the Gulf May 15, 1884; changed to Louisiana and Mississippi June 13, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 242; posts, 19.]

Department commander-----	E. T. Gipson-----	New Orleans.
Senior vice department commander----	John Pierce <sup>1</sup> -----	New Orleans.
Junior vice department commander----	Henry Anderson-----	Edwards.
Assistant adjutant general-----	O. Pilman <sup>1</sup> -----	New Orleans.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Basile Ulgere,<sup>1</sup> New Orleans.  
 Daniel Freeman, New Orleans.

## ALTERNATES.

Lewis Herman, New Orleans.  
 Charles Desho, New Orleans.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William Roy,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 J. W. Scully,<sup>2</sup> 1885 (see Georgia and  
 South Carolina).  
 A. S. Badger,<sup>2</sup> 1886-92.  
 Charles H. Shute,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles W. Keeting,<sup>2</sup> 1894-99.  
 F. C. Antoine,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Paul Bruce, New Orleans, 1901.

Charles W. Keeting,<sup>2</sup> 1902-04.  
 J. S. Davidson, New Orleans, 1905.  
 P. H. Boyle,<sup>2</sup> 1906-07.  
 James Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 J. A. Brookshire, Beaumont, Tex., 1909.  
 E. K. Russ,<sup>3</sup> Gulfport, Miss., 1910-15.  
 E. T. Gipson,<sup>4</sup> New Orleans, 1916-18.  
 H. N. Singleton, Vicksburg, Miss., 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Russ, national council of administration.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gipson, department commander.

## MAINE (9).

[Organized Jan. 10, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 1,828; posts, 111.]

Department commander-----Henry E. Merriam<sup>1</sup>-----Gardiner.  
 Senior vice department commander---Edward A. Butler<sup>1</sup>-----Rockland.  
 Junior vice department commander---George E. Gay-----Augusta.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Fred A. Motley<sup>1</sup>-----Portland.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. E. Nason, Gray.  
 N. W. White, Augusta.  
 Cyrus Wardwell, Oxford.  
 Alphonzo Rollins,<sup>1</sup> Portland.  
 John Manroe,<sup>1</sup> Mechanic Falls.  
 George W. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Yarmouth.  
 O. F. Glidden, Portland.

## ALTERNATES.

Thomas N. Ayer, Alna.  
 A. H. Pratt, Howes Corner.  
 W. S. Oakman, National Soldiers' Home.  
 A. W. Gray,<sup>1</sup> Brownfield.  
 Clark Wayland, Portland.  
 C. S. Crowell, Lewiston.  
 F. L. Palmer, Monroe.  
 Knowles Bangs,<sup>1</sup> Freedom.  
 S. C. Yates,<sup>1</sup> Calais.  
 F. A. Millett,<sup>1</sup> Mechanics Falls.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George L. Beal,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 Charles P. Mattocks,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Daniel White,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Selden Connor,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 Nelson Howard,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 John D. Myrick,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Augustus C. Hamlin,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Winsor B. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Isaac S. Bangs,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William G. Haskell,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Augustus B. Farnham,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Elijah M. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Benjamin Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 James A. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Samuel W. Lane,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Richard K. Gatley,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Horace H. Burbank,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Franklin M. Drew, Lewiston, 1889.  
 John D. Anderson, Gray, 1890.  
 Samuel D. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Isaac Dyer,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wainwright Cushing,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. Wesley Gilman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 William H. Green,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Lorenzo D. Carver,<sup>2</sup> 1896.

Leroy T. Carleton, Winthrop, 1897.  
 Charles A. Southard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Frederick Robie,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Seth T. Snipe,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 William C. Clayton,<sup>1</sup> Bangor, 1901.  
 James L. Merrick,<sup>1</sup> Waterville, 1902.  
 Joshua L. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Edwin C. Milliken,<sup>1,3</sup> Portland, 1904.  
 Henry O. Perry,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Frederick S. Walls, Vinal Haven, 1906.  
 Frank F. Goss,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Woodbury K. Dana, Westbrook, 1908.  
 Augustus W. McCausland,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 John W. Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Edwin Riley,<sup>1,4</sup> Livermore Falls, 1911.  
 William H. Holston, Cumberland Mills, 1912.  
 John F. Lamb,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Thomas S. Benson, Sidney, 1914.  
 Simon S. Andrews, Biddeford, 1915.  
 Tobias L. Eastman, Fryeburg, 1916.  
 John Q. Adams, Houlton, 1917.  
 Fred A. Motley,<sup>1,5</sup> Portland, 1918.  
 George W. Goulding, Oakland, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Milliken, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Riley, national council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Motley, assistant adjutant general.

## MARYLAND (16).

[Organized Jan. 8, 1868; reorganized June 9, 1876. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 820; posts, 46.]

Department commander-----George T. Leech<sup>1</sup>-----Baltimore.  
 Senior vice department commander---George B. Boutelle<sup>1</sup>-----Baltimore.  
 Junior vice department commander---Patrick Reedy<sup>1</sup>-----North East.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Robert C. Sunstrom<sup>1</sup>-----Baltimore.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John H. Brandt,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 Jacob H. Vickers,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 Henry Ewalt,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 James T. Mitchell,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.

## ALTERNATES.

Robert A. McAllister, Baltimore.  
 Emory Leasure, Baltimore.  
 Jacob R. Tucker, Baltimore.  
 Joseph Dulaney, Baltimore.



## MARYLAND—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Andrew W. Dennison,<sup>2</sup> 1867-69.  
 E. Y. Goldsborough,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Edward T. Daneker, Baltimore, 1871.  
 Adam E. King,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 Erastus B. Tyler,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
 William E. Griffith,<sup>3</sup> Baltimore, 1879.  
 William E. W. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 Graham Dukehart, Baltimore, 1882.  
 John Suter,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frank M. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John W. Horn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 George W. F. Vernon, Baltimore, 1886.  
 Henry P. Underhill,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Theodore F. Lang,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George F. Wheeler, Baltimore, 1889.  
 George R. Graham,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Joseph C. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Wallace A. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Frank Nolen,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Myron L. Rose,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Oliver A. Horner,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 A. S. Cooper,<sup>2</sup> 1896.

George W. Johnson,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David L. Stanton,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Lewis M. Zimmerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John R. King,<sup>1 4</sup> Baltimore, 1900.  
 John G. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 John W. Worth,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 William Stahl,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James Campbell, Baltimore, 1904.  
 Richard N. Bowerman, Baltimore, 1905.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>1</sup> Upperco, 1906.  
 Fred C. Tarr,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Robert C. Sunstrom,<sup>1 5</sup> Baltimore, 1908.  
 Benjamin F. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Wm. J. Vannort,<sup>1</sup> Chestertown, 1910.  
 John T. Holmes,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1911.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>1 6</sup> Upperco, 1912.  
 Charles N. Emich, Baltimore, 1913.  
 Albert K. Young, Baltimore, 1914.  
 Joseph Brooks, Baltimore, 1915.  
 James E. Van Sant, Ellicott City, 1916.  
 E. Walter Giles, Baltimore, 1917-18.  
 George T. Leech,<sup>1 7</sup> Baltimore, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade King, past commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Sunstrom, assistant adjutant general.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Prechtel, department commander, 1906.<sup>7</sup> Comrade Leech, department commander.

## MASSACHUSETTS (7).

[Organized May 7, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 6,097; posts, 196.]

Department commander-----	Horace Goodwin <sup>1</sup> -----	Westfield.
Senior vice department commander---	Edwin F. Morrill <sup>1</sup> -----	Everett.
Junior vice department commander---	Henry Clark <sup>1</sup> -----	Cambridge.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Philip A. Nordell <sup>1</sup> -----	Boston.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

James Beatty, Waltham.  
 Nahum F. Nickerson,<sup>1</sup> South Dartmouth.  
 John Gilbert,<sup>1</sup> Fall River.  
 Quincy A. Merritt, Whitman.  
 James H. Webb, Boston.  
 William H. Haddock,<sup>1</sup> Boston.  
 James F. Flynn,<sup>1</sup> Boston.  
 Thomas J. Long, Boston.  
 Eugene M. Libbey,<sup>1</sup> Lynn.  
 James Arrington, Salem.  
 Elbridge Wasson,<sup>1</sup> Haverhill.  
 Samuel Brookings, Newburyport.  
 A. S. Trowbridge, Framington.  
 Alphonso B. Pierce, Natick.  
 Harrison Crane,<sup>1</sup> Malden.  
 Albert H. Ricker, West Medford.  
 Charles W. Hildreth,<sup>1</sup> Fitchburg.  
 Henry J. Bailey,<sup>1</sup> Milford.  
 Charles E. Morey,<sup>1</sup> Worcester.  
 William C. Tracy, Stoneham.  
 Francis A. Ireland, Pittsfield.

## ALTERNATES.

Andrew B. Hubbard,<sup>1</sup> Somerville.  
 John J. Ryder,<sup>1</sup> Monument Beach.  
 Herbert A. Butterworth, Attleboro.  
 Lucius M. Fuller,<sup>1</sup> Middleboro.  
 John E. Bronson,<sup>1</sup> Dedham.  
 Frank E. Trask, Roxbury.  
 John Welch, Brighton.  
 Albert Fitzmeyer, Boston.  
 Charles F. Neill, Lynn.  
 Edward Collins, Salem.  
 William F. Carleton,<sup>1</sup> Amesbury.  
 Henry Hitchcock, Haverhill.  
 John Flood,<sup>1</sup> Newton.  
 Eben W. Pike,<sup>1</sup> Boston.  
 Augustus Lovejoy,<sup>1</sup> Ayer.  
 George Rouillard,<sup>1</sup> Beachmont.  
 Charles G. Houghton,<sup>1</sup> Leominster.  
 O. Marshall Greene, Milford.  
 Genery T. Darling, Worcester.  
 H. E. W. Clarke, Palmer.  
 John P. Thompson,<sup>1</sup> Northampton.

## MASSACHUSETTS—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Austin S. Cushman, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	Joseph W. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
A. B. R. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	William P. Derby, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
Francis A. Osborn, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	John M. Deane, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
James L. Bates, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	William H. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
William Cogswell, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	John E. Gilman, <sup>1,5</sup> Roxbury, 1899.
Henry R. Sibley, <sup>3</sup> 1872.	Peter D. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
A. B. Underwood, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Silas A. Barton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
John W. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	Dwight O. Judd, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Horace Binney Sargent, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	Lucius Field, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	James H. Wolff, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
John A. Hawes, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	J. Payson Bradley, Boston, 1906.
George W. Creasey, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	D. H. L. Gleason, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
George H. Patch, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Alfred S. Roe, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
George S. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	John L. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
John D. Billings, Allston, 1884.	J. Willard Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).
John W. Hersey, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Granville C. Fiske, Ashland, 1910-11.
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Geo. A. Hosley, <sup>1</sup> Chester, N. H., 1912.
Charles D. Nash, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Thomas J. Ames, Leominster, 1913.
Myron P. Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John M. Woods, Somerville, 1914.
George L. Goodale, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Alfred H. Knowles, Arlington, 1915.
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Francis E. Mole, <sup>1</sup> Adams, 1916.
Arthur A. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Daniel E. Denny, <sup>1</sup> Worcester, 1917.
James K. Churchill, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Edwin P. Stanley, Manchester, 1918.
Eli W. Hall, Lynn, 1893.	George W. Wilder, Boston, 1919.
Wilfred A. Wetherbee, <sup>1,4</sup> Newton, 1894.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Wetherbee, national council of administration.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Gilman, past commander in chief.

## MICHIGAN (18).

[Organized May 6, 1868; reorganized Jan. 22, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 4,667; posts, 227.]

Department commander_____	Henry Spaulding <sup>1</sup> _____	Lansing.
Senior vice department commander_____	M. D. Richardson <sup>1</sup> _____	Lansing.
Junior vice department commander_____	E. S. Post <sup>1</sup> _____	Grand Rapids.
Assistant adjutant general_____	Albert Dunham <sup>1</sup> _____	Lansing.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Charles A. Bartlett,<sup>1</sup> Detroit.  
A. L. Sawyer,<sup>1</sup> Detroit.  
Dean LaBanta,<sup>1</sup> Jackson.  
David Walkinshaw, Marshall.  
Wallace A. Preston,<sup>1</sup> St. Joseph.  
Abraham Eddy,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.  
Thomas Fouch,<sup>1</sup> Flint.  
A. L. Bryant,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
Oliver T. Mosier,<sup>1</sup> Saginaw, W. S.  
A. J. Teed,<sup>1</sup> Cadillac.  
Hiram Russell, Bay City.  
John G. Berry,<sup>1</sup> Vanderbilt.  
James A. Troutt, Sault Ste. Marie.  
Thomas F. Payne, Northville.  
L. A. L. Gilbert,<sup>1</sup> Bay City.  
John P. Schwan,<sup>1</sup> Saginaw.  
C. W. Lung,<sup>1</sup> Lyons.

## ALTERNATES.

Emory Morse, Battle Creek.  
Uriah Gould, Detroit.  
Thomas H. Nichols, Jackson.  
J. J. Holmes,<sup>1</sup> Eaton Rapids.  
Samuel P. Hartshorn, Marcellus.  
John T. Pomeroy, Cedar Springs.  
John A. Wardell, Lansing.  
A. A. Haskell, Port Huron.  
Frank M. Frear, St. Johns.  
M. G. Averill, Muskegon.  
Gideon Bailey, Evart.  
W. H. Claspill, Vanderbilt.  
D. C. Spears,<sup>1</sup> Wyandotte.  
Allen H. Cady, Detroit.  
John H. Donaldson, Anchorville.  
B. C. Brainard, Detroit.  
John Davidson,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
John Seel,<sup>1</sup> Benton Harbor.



## MICHIGAN—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Russell A. Alger,<sup>2</sup> 1867 (provisional).  
 William A. Throop,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 William Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1869-70.  
 C. V. R. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 A. T. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Byron R. Pierce, Grand Rapids, 1881-82.  
 Oscar A. Janes,<sup>1 3</sup> Detroit, 1883.  
 Rush J. Shank,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Charles D. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 John Northwood, New Lothrop, 1886.  
 L. G. Rutherford,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Washington Gardner,<sup>1 4</sup> Albion, 1888.  
 Michael Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1889 (see Montana).  
 Henry M. Duffield,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles L. Eaton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Henry S. Dean,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 James H. Kidd,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Louis Kanitz, Muskegon, 1894.  
 S. B. Daboll,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 William Shakespeare,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Aaron T. Bliss,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Alex L. Patrick,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Russell R. Pealer,<sup>2</sup> 1899.

Ethel M. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 James Van Kleeck, Bay City, 1901.  
 Edward E. Anthony,<sup>1</sup> Negaunee, 1902.  
 D. B. K. VanRaalte,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 George H. Hopkins,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 E. C. Cannon, Evart, 1905.  
 Joseph B. Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 William Jibb,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Chas. E. Foote,<sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).  
 G. L. Holmes,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Jas. M. Greenfield,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Samuel J. Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 George W. Stone, Battle Creek, 1911.  
 John T. Spillane, Detroit, 1912.  
 Frank R. Chase,<sup>1</sup> Smyrna, 1913.  
 Riley L. Jones,<sup>1</sup> Detroit, 1914.  
 Henry C. Rankin,<sup>2</sup> 1915 (died in office).  
 Eli Strong, Kalamazoo, 1915.  
 L. H. Ives, Mason, 1916.  
 William O. Lee, Port Huron, 1917.  
 David S. Howard, Pontiac, 1918.  
 Edwin F. Lamb,<sup>1</sup> Detroit, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Janes, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gardner, past commander in chief.

## MINNESOTA (24).

[Organized Aug. 14, 1867; reorganized Aug. 17, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 2,015; posts, 128.]

Department commander	J. A. Town <sup>1</sup>	Worthington.
Senior vice department commander	H. A. Gerrish	Minneapolis.
Junior vice department commander	F. J. Carr <sup>1</sup>	Minneapolis.
Assistant adjutant general	Orton S. Clark <sup>1</sup>	St. Paul.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

H. A. Read,<sup>1</sup> Waseca.  
 Fred Bloom, Woodstock.  
 F. E. Callender,<sup>1</sup> St. Paul.  
 Calvin Moores,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis.  
 M. D. Manning,<sup>1</sup> Willmar.  
 George M. Ross<sup>1</sup> Fergus Falls.  
 Robert Reed,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis.  
 David Palen,<sup>1</sup> Fulda.

## ALTERNATES.

L. C. Wheelock, Waseca.  
 William C. Johnson,<sup>1</sup> Luverne.  
 John Gunther, St. Paul.  
 E. A. Hoit, Minneapolis.  
 J. F. Kent, Montevideo.  
 John Howard, Detroit.  
 C. M. B. Hatch, Minneapolis.  
 M. L. Ashley, Jackson.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry G. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Henry A. Castle,<sup>2</sup> 1872-1874.  
 George H. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 Adam Marty, St. Paul, 1881-82.  
 John P. Rea,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Edward C. Babb,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. A. Becker, St. Paul, 1885.  
 William Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Lewis L. Wheelock,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 James H. Ege,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Alphonso Barto,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 James Compton,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles D. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 L. M. Lange, Cass Lake, 1892.

John Day Smith, Minneapolis, 1893.  
 Samuel R. Van Sant,<sup>1 3</sup> Minneapolis, 1894.  
 Ell Torrance,<sup>1 4</sup> Minneapolis, 1895.  
 J. J. McCardy,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 E. B. Wood,<sup>1</sup> Long Prairie, 1897.  
 E. W. Mortimer,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 D. B. Searle,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Gideon S. Ives, St. Paul, 1900.  
 Wm. H. Harries,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, 1901.  
 Perry Starkweather,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Isaac L. Mahan, St. Paul, 1903.  
 Harrison White, Minneapolis, 1904.  
 C. F. MacDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

## MINNESOTA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Levi Longfellow,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, 1906.  
 George A. Whitney,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Marcus W. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Loren W. Collins,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Philip G. Woodward,<sup>1 5</sup> Anoka, 1910.  
 J. A. Everett,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 William P. Roberts, Minneapolis, 1912.

Charles H. Taylor,<sup>1</sup> Long Prairie, 1913.  
 Charles H. Hopkins, Fairfax, 1914.  
 Watson W. Hall, St. Paul, 1915.  
 Chas. Van Campen,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Silas H. Towler,<sup>1 6</sup> Minneapolis, 1917.  
 Edwin F. Kenrick, St. Paul, 1918.  
 J. D. Budd, Duluth, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Van Sant, past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Torrance, past commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Woodward, national council of administration.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Towler, past junior vice commander in chief.

## MISSOURI (25).

[Organized May 16, 1867; reorganized Apr. 22, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 2,953; posts, 144.]

Department commander-----	Samuel D. Webster <sup>1</sup> -----	St. Louis.
Senior vice department commander---	A. J. P. Barnes <sup>1</sup> -----	Joplin.
Junior vice department commander---	George W. Sparks <sup>1</sup> -----	Trenton.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Wilbur F. Henry <sup>1</sup> -----	St. Louis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. L. Nichols, Trenton.  
 Alf. Zartman,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City.  
 E. H. Rogers,<sup>1</sup> Boonville.  
 Nathaniel Sisson,<sup>1</sup> Marysville.  
 Samuel Zancker,<sup>1</sup> St. Joseph.  
 Charles Kooock,<sup>1</sup> Sedalia.  
 F. Walton,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis.  
 C. B. Kurtz,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City.  
 Nich. Mathias,<sup>1</sup> Moberly.  
 Franklin Hudson,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City.  
 Max Fritz,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis.

## ALTERNATES.

W. K. Collins, Lees Summit.  
 C. K. Reifsnider,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis.  
 Oscar E. Fox, St. Joseph.  
 T. M. Brown, Webb City.  
 W. P. Graves, King City.  
 H. W. Sandusky, St. Joseph.  
 J. W. Root, Galt.  
 J. E. Vandermark, Darlington.  
 W. H. Dewey, Kansas City.  
 A. Bowers, St. Louis.  
 H. C. Bailey, Milan.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Wm. Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 W. F. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Nelson Cole,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 E. E. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Hiram Smith, jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 John E. Phelps,<sup>3</sup> Orting, Wash., 1889.  
 Leo Rassieur,<sup>1 4</sup> St. Louis, 1890.  
 Geo. W. Martin, Brookfield, 1891.  
 C. W. Whitehead,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Chas. G. Burton,<sup>1 5</sup> Portland, Oreg., 1893.  
 Louis Grund,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Louis Benecke,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Thomas B. Rodgers,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John P. Platt,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 A. G. Peterson,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John W. Scott, Daytona, Fla., 1899.  
 W. F. Henry,<sup>1 6</sup> St. Louis, 1900.  
 George Hall, Trenton, 1901.

Ira T. Bronson,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 F. M. Sterrett,<sup>7</sup> Troy, Ohio, 1903.  
 Jere T. Dew,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Henry Fairbank,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John M. Williams,<sup>1 8</sup> California, 1906.  
 Thomas D. Kimball,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1907.  
 J. V. Martin, Brookfield, 1908.  
 W. H. Skinner,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Robert N. Denham,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Benjamin Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Charles W. Rubey,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Arthur Dreifus,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 William Lowe,<sup>1</sup> Warrensburg, 1914.  
 James B. Dobyne, St. Louis, 1915.  
 Alex McCandless,<sup>1</sup> Moberly, 1916.  
 Thomas W. Evans,<sup>1</sup> St. Joseph, 1917.  
 Phil. F. Coghlan,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1918.  
 W. C. Calland,<sup>1</sup> Springfield, 1919.

William S. Jenkins,<sup>2</sup> 1872, transferred from Kansas.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Phelps. See Washington and Alaska.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Rassieur, past commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Burton, past commander in chief.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Henry, assistant adjutant general.<sup>7</sup> Comrade Sterrett. See Ohio.<sup>8</sup> Comrade Williams, national council of administration.



MONTANA (37).

[Organized Mar. 10, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 271; posts, 13.]

Department commander-----James Page<sup>1</sup>-----Twin Bridges.  
Senior vice department commander---C. S. Shoemaker-----Butte.  
Junior vice department commander---W. B. Harlan-----Hamilton.  
Assistant adjutant general-----George H. Taylor<sup>1 3</sup>-----Helena.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
E. A. Waterbury, <sup>1</sup> Anaconda.	C. P. Brinton, Butte.
R. A. Nunnelly, <sup>1</sup> Bozeman.	Charles H. Cobb, Great Falls.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thomas P. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Alanson N. Bull, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
Charles S. Warren, Butte, 1886.	J. S. Wisner, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Ela C. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Henry N. Blake, Boston, Mass., 1904.
Julius G. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Wilbur F. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
James E. Galloway, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	A. J. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Ed. F. Ferris, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	B. N. Beebe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Edwin C. Kinney, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
John L. Sloan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Edwin S. Pease, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Joseph O. Gregg, <sup>4</sup> Columbus, Ohio, 1893.	Robert G. Huston, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Peter R. Dolman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John J. Rohrbaugh, <sup>6</sup> 1911.
Robert E. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. Y. Smith, Bozeman, 1912.
Lester S. Willson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	P. W. Sheehy, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Thaddeus C. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	E. L. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
W. H. H. Dickinson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	James R. Goss, <sup>1</sup> Billings, 1915.
C. B. Miller, <sup>1</sup> Somers, 1899.	G. I. Reiche, Polson, 1916.
P. H. Manchester, <sup>5</sup> Escondido, Calif., 1900.	Simon Hauswirth, <sup>1</sup> Columbia Falls, 1917.
Frank P. Sterling, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	John Marchion, Anaconda, 1918.
Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Michigan.	J. Perry McClain, Lo Lo, 1919.
J. B. Wolgemuth, <sup>2</sup> 1905, transferred from South Dakota.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Taylor, national council of administration.  
<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gregg. See Ohio.  
<sup>5</sup> Comrade Manchester. See California and Nevada.  
<sup>6</sup> Not now a member of order.

NEBRASKA (17).

[Organized June 11, 1877. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 2,241; posts, 159.]

Department commander-----Joseph H. Presson<sup>1</sup>-----Omaha.  
Senior vice department commander---W. J. Blystone-----Lincoln.  
Junior vice department commander---F. M. Fodge-----Broken Bow.  
Assistant adjutant general-----Harmon Bross<sup>1</sup>-----Lincoln.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Charles D. Fuller, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln.	C. P. Smith, <sup>1</sup> Omaha.
R. B. Windham, <sup>1</sup> Plattsmouth.	Shelton Peck, <sup>1</sup> Blair.
H. W. George, <sup>1</sup> Omaha.	A. M. Lathrop, Hastings.
H. V. Hoagland, Lincoln.	J. M. Mahaffey, Bennett.
Andy Traynor, Omaha.	J. R. Radcliff, Central City.
William Robb, <sup>1</sup> Lexington.	J. M. Mitchell, Stanton.
A. R. Wilson, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln.	S. R. Davidson, Omaha.
S. R. Sanders, <sup>1</sup> Holdredge.	Edward Parmelee, Omaha.

## NEBRASKA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Paul Vandervoort, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	John E. Evans, North Platte, 1899.
R. H. Wilbur, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	John Reese, <sup>1</sup> Broken Bow, 1900.
James W. Savage, <sup>2</sup> 1879–80.	Robert S. Wilcox, Omaha, 1901.
S. J. Alexander, <sup>2</sup> 1881–82.	C. F. Steele, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
John C. Bonnell, <sup>3</sup> Logan City, Tex., 1883.	Lee S. Estelle, Omaha, 1903.
Henry E. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Harmon Bross, <sup>1,7</sup> Lincoln, 1904.
A. V. Cole, <sup>4</sup> Long Beach, Calif., 1885.	John Lett, York, 1905.
John M. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	John R. Maxon, <sup>1</sup> Minden, 1906.
Henry C. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Thomas A. Creigh, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
W. C. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Eli A. Barnes, Grand Island, 1908.
J. B. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).	L. D. Richards, <sup>1</sup> Fremont, 1909.
S. H. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John F. Diener, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. M. Trimble, <sup>1</sup> Lincoln, 1911.
Joseph Teeter, <sup>1</sup> McCook, 1891.	M. V. King, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
C. J. Dilworth, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John A. Dempster, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Alonzo H. Church, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	O. H. Durand, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Church Howe, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	George C. Humphrey, <sup>1</sup> Grand Island, 1915.
C. E. Adams, <sup>1,5</sup> Omaha, 1895.	W. H. Stewart, <sup>1</sup> Geneva, 1916.
J. H. Culver, Milford, 1896.	Wilson E. Majors, <sup>1</sup> Peru, 1917.
John A. Ehrhardt, <sup>6</sup> Stanton, 1897.	Joseph S. Hoagland, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
Thomas J. Majors, <sup>1</sup> Peru, 1898.	J. B. Strode, Lincoln, 1919.
Griff J. Thomas, Harvard, 1879–81, transferred from Wisconsin.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Cole. See California and Nevada.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Adams, past commander in chief.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Ehrhardt, national council of administration.<sup>7</sup> Comrade Bross, assistant adjutant general.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE (12).

[Organized June 30, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 921; posts, 63.]

Department commander-----	James H. Hunt <sup>1</sup> -----	Nashua.
Senior vice department commander-----	Arthur Thompson-----	Warner.
Junior vice department commander-----	J. N. Patterson-----	Concord.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Frank Battles <sup>1</sup> -----	Concord.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. C. Lewis,<sup>1</sup> Milford.  
 William S. Learned,<sup>1</sup> Rumney Depot.  
 D. T. Griffith,<sup>1</sup> Claremont.  
 Frank Fiske, Epping.

## ALTERNATES.

Warren F. Horne, Derry.  
 Albert T. Barr, Manchester.  
 T. B. Dow, Northwood.  
 H. L. Harris,<sup>1</sup> Warner.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Matthew T. Betton, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Otis G. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
William R. Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	A. B. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.
Daniel Vaughan, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	James F. Grimes, <sup>2</sup> 1889.
James E. Larkin, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	Thomas Cogswell, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
Augustus H. Bixby, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	Everett B. Huse, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
William H. Trickey, Tilton, 1872.	Daniel Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1892.
Timothy W. Challis, <sup>2</sup> 1873–74.	Frank G. Noyes, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
Alvin S. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	David R. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
Charles J. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1876–78.	Charles E. Buzzell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> 1879–80.	Lewis W. Aldrich, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
Martin A. Haynes, <sup>2</sup> 1881–82.	James Minot, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
John C. Linchan, <sup>2</sup> 1883–84.	A. S. Twitchell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
Marcus M. Collis, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Horace L. Worcester, Rochester, 1899.
George Farr, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	David E. Proctor, Wilton, 1900.



## NEW HAMPSHIRE—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

A. C. Haines, Newmarket, 1901.  
 William S. Carter, Lebanon, 1902.  
 Edward E. Parker, Nashua, 1903.  
 Henry O. Kent,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Daniel B. Newhall,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Osman B. Warren,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 William S. Pillsbury,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Augustus D. Sanborn,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Charles W. Stevens, Nashua, 1909.  
 A. D. Scovell, Manchester, 1910.

Henry A. Conant,<sup>2</sup> 1911 (died in office).  
 William A. Beckford,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 George K. Stratton, Bradford, 1912.  
 David R. Roys, Claremont, 1913.  
 O. B. Douglass, Concord, 1914.  
 M. B. Plummer,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 R. T. Leavitt,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Chas. W. Hobbs, Pelham, 1917.  
 Eugene Wason, Milford, 1918.  
 Frank W. Wilson, Manchester, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## NEW JERSEY (8).

[Organized Dec. 10, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 1,833; posts, 90.]

Department commander-----	John T. McNeil <sup>1</sup> -----	Kearney.
Senior vice department commander-----	Daniel Lynch-----	Newark.
Junior vice department commander-----	William H. Armstrong <sup>1</sup> ---	Jersey City.
Assistant adjutant general-----	G. Dwight Stone <sup>1</sup> -----	Elizabeth.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John W. Chandler,<sup>1</sup> Red Bank.  
 William M. Barr,<sup>1</sup> Paterson.  
 William H. Black,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City.  
 H. Craig Smith,<sup>1</sup> Plainfield.  
 J. Van Horn,<sup>1</sup> Newark.  
 William Bryson,<sup>1</sup> Newark.  
 Abram Ball,<sup>1</sup> Newark.

## ALTERNATES.

E. H. Bolgiano, Atlantic City.  
 W. H. Dennis, Jersey City.  
 T. F. Laubach, Jersey City.  
 S. R. Mullen, Morristown.  
 W. H. Miller, Union.  
 A. C. Gile, Cape May.  
 William W. Mendell, Cranford.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

E. Jardine,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 William Ward,<sup>2</sup> 1869-70.  
 Richard H. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 J. R. Globe,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 Charles Burrows,<sup>3</sup> Rutherford, 1874-75.  
 E. W. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 John Mueller,<sup>2</sup> 1877-78.  
 Samuel Hufty,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 George W. Gile,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Charles H. Houghton,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 E. L. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 George B. Fielder,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Henry M. Nevius,<sup>2</sup> 1884-85.  
 Frank O. Cole,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City, 1886.  
 J. L. Wheeler,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 E. Burd Grubb,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 W. B. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. M. Matthews,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 J. R. Mullikin,<sup>1</sup> Newark, 1891.  
 R. A. Donnelly,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 H. L. Hartshorn,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John Shields, Clayton, 1894.  
 Henry S. White,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Ernest C. Stahl,<sup>1</sup> Trenton, 1896.  
 Emmanuel Sands,<sup>2</sup> 1897 (died in office).  
 Sampel G. Hayter,<sup>2</sup> 1897.

William C. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Plainfield, 1898.  
 George Barnett, Camden, 1899.  
 E. V. Richards,<sup>2</sup> 1900 (see Florida).  
 John Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Enos F. Hann,<sup>1</sup> Atlantic City, 1902.  
 Stephen M. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James M. Atwood,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Charles Currie,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Alfred Atkins,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Arthur W. Tench, Maplewood, 1907.  
 John Foran,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James F. Connelly,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 James Inglis, jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Adrian S. Appleget, Trenton, 1911.  
 Terrence J. McDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John W. Bodine,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Forman J. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).  
 Samuel J. Garretson,<sup>1</sup> Perth Amboy, 1914.  
 William F. Washington,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 William O. Allen,<sup>1 4</sup> Newark, 1916.  
 Walter S. Tully,<sup>1</sup> Roselle Park, 1917.  
 George C. Boyd,<sup>1</sup> Kearney, 1918.  
 A. J. Washburn,<sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).  
 Frank Briden,<sup>1</sup> Bellmar, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Burrows, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Allen, national council of administration.

## NEW MEXICO (32).

[Organized July 14, 1863. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 86; posts, 8.]

Department commander-----William M. Berger-----Belen.  
 Senior vice department commander----John Shank-----Las Vegas.  
 Junior vice department commander----Abraham B. Stanton<sup>1</sup>---Albuquerque.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----William W. McDonald<sup>1</sup>---Albuquerque.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

Daniel Risdon, Raton.

## ALTERNATE.

Chas. L. Diehl,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry M. Atkinson,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Edward W. Wynkoop,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 J. J. Fitzgerald,<sup>3</sup> 1885.  
 E. S. Stover, Albuquerque, 1886.  
 John Y. Hewitt, White Oaks, 1887.  
 Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 John H. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).  
 Lee H. Rudisille,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. M. Whitcomb,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Albert J. Fountain,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 S. W. Dorsey,<sup>4</sup> 1892.  
 W. H. Whiteman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 George W. Knaebel,<sup>4</sup> 1894.  
 Thomas W. Collier,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John C. Bromagen,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1897-98.  
 Leverett Clarke,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 George W. Knaebel,<sup>4</sup> 1899.  
 John R. McFie, Gallup,<sup>4</sup> 1900-01.

John W. Edwards,<sup>5</sup> National Soldiers'  
 Home, Calif., 1902-03.  
 Theo. W. Heman,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Jacob Weltmer,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 W. B. Brunton,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. W. McDonald,<sup>1 6</sup> Albuquerque, 1907.  
 John P. Victory,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John W. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 H. B. Steward,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, Calif.,  
 1910.  
 A. D. Higgins, E. Las Vegas, 1911.  
 John G. Caldwell,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque, 1912.  
 D. M. Sutherland, Alamogordo, 1913.  
 John A. Ross, E. Las Vegas, 1914.  
 Z. H. Bliss,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque, 1915.  
 F. E. Olney,<sup>1</sup> E. Las Vegas, 1916.  
 Jefferson Raynolds, Las Vegas, 1917.  
 John W. Terry, Socorro, 1918.  
 O. L. Gregory, E. Las Vegas, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Edwards. See California and Nevada.<sup>6</sup> Comrade McDonald, national council of administration.

## NEW YORK (5).

[Organized Apr. 3, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 9,739; posts, 471.]

Department commander-----Alfred E. Stacy<sup>1</sup>-----Elbridge.  
 Senior vice department commander----Henry L. Keene<sup>1</sup>-----Elmira.  
 Junior vice department commander----Thomas J. McConekey<sup>1</sup>---Brooklyn.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----B. Franklin Raze<sup>1</sup>-----Camillus.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. G. Mills,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
 Fred W. Roehr,<sup>1</sup> Albany.  
 P. C. Soule,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.  
 James L. Lyons,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
 John J. Hamlin,<sup>1</sup> Binghamton.  
 Thomas B. Sweet,<sup>1</sup> Auburn.  
 Cyrus W. Lord,<sup>1</sup> Jamestown.  
 George Wander,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo.  
 T. A. Budd, Buffalo.  
 Frank M. Fisher,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo.  
 Albert Schoenwald, Buffalo.  
 Thomas H. Kiernan,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 William H. Lyons,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 Edwin H. Squires,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.

## ALTERNATES.

William C. Peckham,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 Edward B. Long,<sup>1</sup> White Plains.  
 A. H. Stafford, Jamestown.  
 Henry C. Draper,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 Thomas Burchill,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.  
 W. W. Ryder,<sup>1</sup> Ossining.  
 Patrick H. Doody, New York.  
 John Schmidling, New York.  
 John H. McGean,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo.  
 Adam J. Wagner, Buffalo.  
 John S. Robertson,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo.  
 Charles S. Travis, Cohoes.  
 E. M. Chamberlain, Edgerton, Wis.  
 John H. Hilliker, Hollis.



## NEW YORK—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

Edward W. Castell,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 John Sutphin,<sup>1</sup> Brockport.  
 Henry S. Redman,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.  
 George A. Lent,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.  
 Augustus Myers,<sup>1</sup> Amsterdam.  
 James R. Sullivan, New York.  
 James Campbell, New York.  
 William J. Barry,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 Michael B. Wood,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
 Wallace Riley,<sup>1</sup> Lockport.  
 Andrew Knauer, Utica.  
 Caius A. Weaver, Syracuse.  
 John McCloskey,<sup>2</sup> Richmond Hill.  
 Lewis Hunt,<sup>1</sup> Schaghticoke.  
 R. S. Rimington,<sup>1</sup> Saratoga Springs.  
 C. J. Kellogg,<sup>1</sup> Schenectady.  
 Charles D. Emery,<sup>1</sup> Hornell.  
 John W. Day,<sup>1</sup> Waterloo.  
 John W. Durham, Branchport.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

W. L. Blaisdell, Martville.  
 Edward A. Dubey, Brooklyn.  
 Charles Hecox, Dunkirk.  
 W. H. Walker, Westfield.  
 Thomas Berridge, Hudson.  
 C. W. Bourne, Hamburg.  
 Nelson Simmons, Buffalo.  
 Arthur B. Avery, East Aurora.  
 Robert Hoffman, Adams Center.  
 Samuel Irvine, Brooklyn.  
 William B. Price, Brooklyn.  
 E. G. Peterson, Geneseo.  
 William Taylor, Canastota.  
 Henry R. Howard, Rochester.  
 A. D. Grant, Rome.  
 B. W. Austen, Phelps.  
 Louis Wanner, Cleveland.  
 W. E. Widrick, Mexico.  
 George S. Parsons, Gouverneur.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James B. McKean,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 Daniel E. Sickles,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Edward B. Lansing,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 John C. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Henry A. Barnum,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 Stephen P. Corliss,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 John Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James Tanner,<sup>1,3</sup> Washington, D. C.,  
 1876-77.  
 William F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James McQuade,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 L. Coe Young,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Abram Merritt,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James S. Fraser,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 John A. Reynolds, Fairport, 1883.  
 Ira M. Hedges,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. Clay Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Joseph I. Sayles,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George H. Treadwell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 N. Martin Curtis,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Harrison Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Floyd Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles H. Freeman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Theodore L. Poole,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Joseph P. Cleary,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John C. Shotts,<sup>2</sup> 1894.

Edward J. Atkinson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 James S. Graham, Oxford, 1896.  
 Albert D. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Anson S. Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Joseph W. Kay, Brooklyn, 1899.  
 Nathan P. Pond, Rochester, 1900.  
 Charles A. Orr, Buffalo, 1901.  
 Allan C. Bakewell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 John S. Koster, Port Leyden, 1903.  
 Henry N. Burhans,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James N. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John S. Maxwell, Amsterdam, 1906.  
 Harlan J. Swift,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William H. Daniels,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 M. J. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 DeWitt C. Hurd, Utica, 1910.  
 George B. Loud,<sup>1</sup> New York, 1911.  
 Oscar Smith,<sup>1</sup> Albany, 1912.  
 Samuel C. Pierce,<sup>1</sup> Rochester, 1913.  
 James D. Bell,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Zan L. Tidhall, Bath, 1915.  
 Solomon W. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Wm. F. Kirchner,<sup>1</sup> New York, 1917.  
 Lewis S. Pilcher,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, 1918.  
 Joseph E. Ewell,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, 1919.

De Alva S. Alexander, Buffalo, 1884, transferred from Potomac.

W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.

John C. Gipson,<sup>4</sup> San Diego, Calif., 1902, transferred from Oklahoma.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Tanner, past commander in chief.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gipson. See California and Nevada.

## NORTH DAKOTA (43).

[Organized Apr. 23, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 155; posts, 16.]

Department commander-----	David B. McLain <sup>1</sup> -----	Jamestown.
Senior vice department commander----	O. A. Potter <sup>1</sup> -----	Granville.
Junior vice department commander----	A. J. Pierce-----	Grand Forks.
Assistant adjutant general-----	H. J. Rowe <sup>1</sup> -----	Lisbon.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. P. Sterns,<sup>1</sup> Valley City.  
J. M. Johnson,<sup>1</sup> Fargo.

## ALTERNATES.

Joseph Sheard, Cathay.  
William R. Whitcomb, Devils Lake.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Harrison Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
George B. Winship, San Diego, Calif., 1890.  
William A. Bentley,<sup>3</sup> Los Angeles, Calif., 1891.  
S. G. Roberts, San Diego, Calif., 1892.  
John D. Black, Milwaukee, Wis., 1893.  
J. M. O'Neale,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
A. P. Rounseville, Lemon City, Fla., 1895.  
William H. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
E. C. Geary,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
Edwin Southard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
William Ackerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
Freeman Orcutt,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
D. G. Duell,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1901.  
John C. Gipson,<sup>4</sup> San Diego, Calif., 1902.  
H. J. Rowe,<sup>1,5</sup> Lisbon, 1903.

Daniel F. Siegfried,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
Joseph Hare,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
B. F. Bigelow,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, Calif., 1906.  
S. J. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
J. L. Richmond, Minnewaukon, 1908.  
Halsey S. Curry,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
Albert Roberts,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1910.  
James H. Mathews,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
George W. Kurtz,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
George B. Vallandingham, Nat'l Soldiers' Home, Calif., 1913.  
Alexander Hay,<sup>1</sup> Wahpeton, 1914.  
J. L. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
Henry Beal,<sup>1</sup> Valley City, 1916.  
Christian J. Schmitt,<sup>1</sup> Jamestown, 1917.  
John W. Carroll,<sup>1</sup> Aberdeen, 1918.  
James McCormick,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Bentley. See California and Nevada.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Gipson. See California and Nevada.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Rowe, assistant adjutant general.

## OHIO (4).

[Organized Jan. 30, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 11,029; posts, 428.]

Department commander-----	John M. Adams <sup>1</sup> -----	Cincinnati.
Senior vice department commander----	J. W. Akers <sup>1</sup> -----	Uhrichsville.
Junior vice department commander----	George H. Playford <sup>1</sup> ----	Zanesville.
Assistant adjutant general-----	W. S. Matthews <sup>1</sup> -----	Columbus.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

G. M. Saltzgaber,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.  
S. G. Harvey,<sup>1</sup> Toledo.  
John M. Davis,<sup>1</sup> Rio Grande.  
R. G. Dickerson,<sup>1</sup> Delaware.  
Charles H. Durfey,<sup>1</sup> Columbus.  
William A. Richards,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
Ayres B. Adams,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
Edward Baker,<sup>1</sup> Madisonville.  
R. E. Scott,<sup>1</sup> Hamilton.  
A. C. Stone,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington.  
J. W. Larimer,<sup>1</sup> Greenville.  
William F. Brandt,<sup>1</sup> Dayton.  
I. N. Rowe,<sup>1</sup> Washington C. H.  
W. J. Hughes,<sup>1</sup> Lancaster.  
Harry B. Kuhmar,<sup>1</sup> Portsmouth.

## ALTERNATES.

J. K. P. Ferrell, Uhrichsville.  
W. G. Alexander, Toledo.  
J. P. Shideler, Tiffin.  
James H. Herring, Mansfield.  
Luke Bucey, National Military Home.  
Abram Emery, Zanesville.  
Conrad Liner, Cincinnati.  
A. E. Otte, Cincinnati.  
S. A. West, Milford.  
C. O. Collins, Mount Orab.  
I. N. Smith, Greenville.  
Gustavus Smith, National Mil. Home.  
James C. Walker, Springfield.  
E. Rockhold, Bainbridge.  
L. P. Smith, Rutland



## OHIO—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

James Hyler,<sup>1</sup> Marietta.  
 C. M. Bell,<sup>1</sup> Frazeysburg.  
 Clement H. Cochran,<sup>1</sup> Sandusky.  
 Marion Hopkins,<sup>1</sup> Marysville.  
 J. P. Neer,<sup>1</sup> Urbana.  
 Samuel Fletcher,<sup>1</sup> Lima.  
 William A. Kehnast,<sup>1</sup> Defiance.  
 Thomas H. Wilson,<sup>1</sup> Findlay.  
 Henry Goodenough,<sup>1</sup> Bowling Green.  
 George W. Harris,<sup>1</sup> Bucyrus.  
 Theodore B. Tucker,<sup>1</sup> Toledo.  
 Leroy D. Hunt,<sup>1</sup> Mount Vernon.  
 Martin D. Hartshorn,<sup>1</sup> Newark.  
 John McAfee,<sup>1</sup> Cadiz.  
 R. D. Van Fossen,<sup>1</sup> East Liverpool.  
 William H. Johnson,<sup>1</sup> Girard.  
 J. A. Matticks,<sup>1</sup> Alliance.  
 Henry Kelly,<sup>1</sup> Hayesville.  
 D. N. Osyor,<sup>1</sup> Columbus.  
 J. D. Reimer,<sup>1</sup> Wadsworth.  
 James Hayr,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 C. E. McCluskey,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 O. U. Hovey, Chardon.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

Joseph Lyons, Longstreth.  
 Robert Parks, Sharon.  
 L. H. Derby, Norwalk.  
 Frank Turner, Peoria.  
 C. B. Fletcher, Covington.  
 W. M. Kline, Leipsic.  
 Philip W. Stumm, Paulding.  
 J. S. Parmenter, Findlay.  
 Israel Walborn, Fremont.  
 W. B. Denman, Marion.  
 H. Bradley Pike, Toledo.  
 W. A. Wintermuth, Centerburg.  
 H. D. Burch, Hebron.  
 J. B. Gibson, Bellaire.  
 James Willemin, Steubenville.  
 Charles E. Starr, Newton Falls.  
 W. H. Little, Canton.  
 F. W. Sterns, Elyria.  
 W. W. McDonald, Columbus.  
 O. P. Edgar, Akron.  
 R. G. Chandler, Cleveland.  
 R. H. Cooper, Berea.  
 E. R. Ward,<sup>1</sup> Conneaut.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

B. F. Potts,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 Thomas L. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 J. Warren Keifer,<sup>3</sup> Springfield, 1868-70.  
 William C. Bunts,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 G. M. Barber,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 Alvin C. Voris,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 William Earnshaw,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Nathan L. Guthrie,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James H. Seymour,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James H. Steedman,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 David W. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 John S. Kountz,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Charles T. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 H. P. Lloyd, 1884.  
 R. B. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Arthur L. Conger,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 D. C. Putnam,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Joseph W. O'Neill,<sup>1 4</sup> Lebanon, 1888.  
 S. H. Hurst,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 P. H. Dowling,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. M. Warner, Cincinnati, 1891.  
 Isaac F. Mack,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 L. H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 E. E. Nutt,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Charles Townsend,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Jos. O. Gregg,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, 1893, transferred from Montana.  
 Frank M. Sterrett,<sup>1</sup> Troy, 1903, transferred from Missouri.

E. L. Lybarger, Spring Mountain, 1896.  
 Henry Kissinger,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David F. Pugh,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, 1898.  
 Thomas R. Shinn,<sup>1</sup> Ashland, 1899.  
 Elias R. Monfort,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Emmett F. Taggart,<sup>1</sup> Akron, 1901.  
 Walton Weber, Columbus, 1902.  
 Arthur C. Yengling, Salem, 1903.  
 B. M. Moulton,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Amos Huffman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George A. Harmon,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. S. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 John H. Sharer,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Hall,<sup>1</sup> Lima, 1909.  
 Charles H. Newton,<sup>1</sup> Marietta, 1909.  
 Henry A. Axline,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 J. F. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Chas. W. Blodgett, Cincinnati, 1912.  
 W. R. Warnock,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 J. Kent Hamilton,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Seeley P. Mount,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland, 1915.  
 W. H. Surles,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 W. A. Pittenger,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 D. M. Hall,<sup>1 5</sup> Columbus, 1918.  
 H. C. Martindale,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Keifer, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade O'Neill, adjutant general.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Hall, commander in chief.

## OKLAHOMA (44).

[Organized Aug. 7, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 1,039; posts, 55. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at joint encampment held at Guthrie May 19-22, 1908.]

Department commander-----	W. S. Tilton <sup>1</sup> -----	Anadarko.
Senior vice department commander-----	F. A. Brown <sup>1, 3</sup> -----	Shawnee.
Junior vice department commander-----	W. F. Clark-----	Lamont.
Assistant adjutant general-----	J. F. Ward <sup>1</sup> -----	Apache.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. H. Norton,<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma City.  
 L. Obreiter, Oklahoma City.  
 I. W. Scherich,<sup>1</sup> Enid.  
 J. Q. Adamson,<sup>1</sup> Edmond.

## ALTERNATES.

J. L. Waite, Blackwell.  
 E. G. Platts, Guthrie.  
 Henry Wair,<sup>1</sup> Bartlesville.  
 G. M. Watkins.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

C. M. Barnes,<sup>4</sup> Guthrie, 1890.  
 G. M. Coulton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 D. F. Wyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 T. H. Soward,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894 (see California and Nevada).  
 H. G. Trosper,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 W. H. Cater,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 C. R. Young,<sup>1</sup> Guthrie, 1897.  
 G. D. Munger,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 J. J. S. Hassler<sup>2</sup> (died in office), 1899.  
 I. W. Rush,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 M. L. Mock,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 James E. Burns,<sup>5</sup> Fresno, Calif., 1901.  
 Wesley Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Cyrus P. Green, Enid, 1903.  
 S. P. Strahan,<sup>1</sup> Perry, 1904.

G. M. Parks,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Peter A. Becker,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. H. Hornaday, Guthrie, 1907.  
 H. Veatch,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 William Higgins, Bartlesville, 1909.  
 B. N. Turk, Enid, 1910.  
 Wilberforce Jones,<sup>4</sup> 1911.  
 W. R. Kelley, Kingfisher, 1912.  
 L. C. Coffin,<sup>1</sup> Elgin, 1913.  
 George W. Billings<sup>2</sup> (died in office), 1914.  
 George W. Fletcher, Dover, 1914.  
 A. A. Beasler,<sup>1</sup> Chandler, 1915.  
 Albert Reeves, Tulsa, 1916.  
 J. C. White,<sup>1</sup> Oklahoma City, 1917.  
 F. E. Hills,<sup>1</sup> Enid, 1918.  
 F. M. Cline,<sup>1</sup> Woodward, 1919.

## FROM DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY, BY MERGER MAY 19-22, 1908.

E. Calkins,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 B. F. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 J. H. Spann, McAlester, 1893.  
 Savelon Boyles,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 J. L. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 William H. Harrison,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 R. M. J. Shriver, Miami, 1897.  
 David Redfield, Ardmore, 1898.

Gideon S. White,<sup>4</sup> 1899.  
 John S. Hammer,<sup>2</sup> 1900-1902.  
 J. A. Rose,<sup>4</sup> 1903.  
 Robert Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Samuel H. Smith, Muskogee, 1905.  
 J. F. Ayers,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 A. G. Krutchmer,<sup>2</sup> 1907.

D. W. Eastman,<sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Kansas.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>6</sup> 1902, transferred from North Dakota.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Brown, national council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>5</sup> Comrade Burns. See California and Nevada.

<sup>6</sup> Comrade Gipson. See New York.

## OREGON (26).

[Organized Sept. 28, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 1,660; posts, 62.]

Department commander-----	J. T. Butler <sup>1</sup> -----	Gladstone.
Senior vice department commander---	R. N. Abbott-----	Astoria.
Junior vice department commander---	Daniel Clark-----	Lents.
Assistant adjutant general-----	C. A. Williams-----	Portland.



OREGON—Continued.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
J. W. Ogilbee, <sup>1</sup> Portland.	E. E. Covey, Portland.
L. N. Guy, Portland.	C. A. Huston, <sup>1</sup> Salem.
George R. Castner, <sup>1</sup> Hood River.	G. W. Wannacott, Gresham.
J. M. Shelley, <sup>1</sup> Eugene.	V. S. Grout, Roseburg.
D. F. Lane, <sup>1</sup> Salem.	W. H. Hay, Forest Grove.
B. F. Allen, Astoria.	C. B. Zeek, Bandon.
C. H. Welch, Portland.	H. O. Canfield, <sup>1</sup> Portland.
PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.	
N. S. Pierce, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	M. L. Pratt, Portland, 1902.
G. E. Caulkin, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	D. H. Turner, McMinnville, 1903.
F. J. Babcock, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	B. F. Pike, Newberg, 1904.
F. H. Lamb, Inverness, Calif, 1885-86.	T. E. Hills, Garden Home, 1905.
M. L. Olmstead, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Hamer Sutcliffe, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
A. E. Borthwick, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	S. F. Blythe, <sup>1</sup> Hood River, 1907.
E. B. McElroy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. T. Apperson, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
James A. Varney, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	James P. Shaw, <sup>1</sup> Portland, 1909.
Owen Summers, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	W. J. R. Beach, Forest Grove, 1910.
H. H. Northup, Portland, 1892.	Newton Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
J. C. Cooper, McMinnville, 1893.	Thomas B. McDevitt, Portland, 1912.
S. B. Ormsby, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	S. W. Taylor, Roseburg, 1913.
E. W. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	H. S. Fargo, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
D. C. Sherman, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	George A. Harding, Oregon City, 1915.
Frank Reisner, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. E. Hall, <sup>1</sup> Portland, 1916.
C. P. Holloway, Portland, 1898.	J. G. Chambers, <sup>1,3</sup> Portland, 1917.
H. V. Gates, Hillsboro, 1899.	T. H. Stevens, Portland, 1918.
A. J. Goodbrod, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Daniel Webster, Salem, 1919.
J. A. Sladen, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Comrade Chambers, senior vice commander in chief.

PENNSYLVANIA (3).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 10,019; posts, 430.]

Department commander-----	C. H. William Ruhe <sup>1</sup> -----	Pittsburgh.
Senior vice department commander---	J. M. Marshall <sup>1</sup> -----	Indiana.
Junior vice department commander---	John S. Leinbach-----	Williamsport.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Samuel P. Town <sup>1</sup> -----	Philadelphia.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Harry White, <sup>2</sup> Indiana.	David Challenger, <sup>1</sup> Harrisburg.
C. C. Arensberg, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.	George D. Runk, Clearfield.
J. C. Forncrook, Harrisburg.	F. K. Ployer, Mechanicsburg.
J. R. Long, <sup>1</sup> Freeport.	J. M. Owen, Lewistown.
Thomas P. Stevens, <sup>1</sup> Indiana.	A. D. Hutchinson, Allentown.
H. H. Spayd, <sup>1</sup> Minersville.	J. H. Long, Strasburg.
W. S. Seabold, <sup>1</sup> Annville.	P. F. Welteroth, Wilkes-Barre.
W. F. Hambright, <sup>1</sup> Lancaster.	J. H. Minds, Houtsdale.
H. H. Bengough, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.	S. E. Scott, Steelton.
Hugh R. Fulton, <sup>1</sup> Lancaster.	James Shaw, Pittsburgh.
Seth Bowers, <sup>1</sup> Milton.	C. W. Hoffman, Latrobe.
William J. Day, Washington.	V. C. Knorr, Braddock.
William J. Giles, <sup>1</sup> McKeesport.	B. H. Bowman, Huntingdon Mills.
J. M. McCurdy, <sup>1</sup> Altoona.	D. F. Dickey, New Kensington.
John B. Patrick, <sup>1</sup> Harrisburg.	H. C. Schenck, Lancaster.
A. Filson Dalzell, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.	F. H. Fratz, Lancaster.
B. J. Coll, Pittsburgh.	W. H. Rodgers, Mifflintown.
J. H. Langsdale, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.	F. V. Carls, Altoona.
Thomas A. Cochran, <sup>1</sup> Apollo.	C. W. Ewing, Tyrone.

## PENNSYLVANIA—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

Campbell Stanton,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 A. C. Scholl,<sup>1</sup> Williamsport.  
 A. J. Bower,<sup>1</sup> Uniontown.  
 George S. Rudolph,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 W. B. Hanna,<sup>1</sup> Springdale.  
 W. A. Lowry, Butler.  
 J. I. Shoemaker,<sup>1</sup> Wyoming.  
 D. M. Lotz,<sup>1</sup> Hollidaysburg.  
 S. E. Gill,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 Daniel Donne,<sup>1</sup> Pottsville.  
 A. H. Schaper,<sup>1</sup> Erie.  
 C. R. Lantz,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon.  
 J. W. Kauffman,<sup>1</sup> Huntingdon.  
 Allen A. Clifton,<sup>1</sup> Easton.  
 A. J. Ellis,<sup>1</sup> Uniontown.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

Thomas Wardrop,<sup>1</sup> Mount Carmel.  
 H. H. Dutton,<sup>1</sup> West Chester.  
 J. H. McClennin, Greensburg.  
 John A. Califf, Towanda.  
 James Frederick, Wyoming.  
 L. B. Lomax, Chester.  
 J. W. Rutter, Lock Haven.  
 J. Zimmerman, Greensburg.  
 D. S. Beemer,<sup>1</sup> Scranton.  
 O. L. Roushey, Dallas.  
 J. M. McCune, Lancaster.  
 L. T. Carpenter, Lock Haven.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Louis Wagner,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 A. L. Pearson,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 O. C. Bosbyshell, Philadelphia, 1869.  
 Howard J. Reeder,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Frank Reeder,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 Robert B. Beath,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 A. Wilson Norr's,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 W. W. Tyson,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James W. Latta, Philadelphia, 1876.  
 Samuel I. Givin,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Charles T. Hull,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 George L. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Chill W. Hazzard,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 John Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 John M. Vanderslice,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 E. S. Osborne,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frederick H. Dyer, Des Moines, Iowa,  
 1884.  
 F. Austin Curtin,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 J. P. S. Gobin,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Samuel Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Frank J. Magee,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thomas J. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Joseph F. Denniston,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 George G. Boyer,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John P. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Thomas G. Sample,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 James E. Porter,<sup>2</sup> 1895 (see Virginia and North Carolina).  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Virginia and North Carolina).

William Emsley,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 H. H. Cumings,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Alfred Darte,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 William D. Stauffer, Lancaster, 1897.  
 Wm. J. Patterson,<sup>1 3</sup> Pittsburgh, 1898.  
 James F. Morrison,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Charles Miller, Franklin, 1900.  
 Levi G. McCauley,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 R. P. Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Edwin Walton,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 John McNevin,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 J. Andrew Wilt,<sup>1 4</sup> Towanda, 1905.  
 M. A. Gherst,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 William T. Powell,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1907.  
 P. DeLacy,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Thad. M. Mahon,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 L. W. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 N. P. Kingsley,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas H. Cole, Erie, 1912.  
 William J. Wells,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 John A. Fairman,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1914.  
 C. C. Gramlich, Philadelphia, 1915.  
 L. F. Arensburg,<sup>1</sup> E. Millsboro, 1916.  
 Noah Dietrich,<sup>1</sup> Easton, 1917.  
 J. D. Hicks,<sup>1</sup> Altoona, 1918.  
 George W. Rhoads,<sup>1</sup> Harrisburg, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Patterson, past commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Wilt, national council of administration.

## POTOMAC (14).

[Organized Feb. 13, 1869. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 782; posts, 12.]

Department commander-----	John McElroy <sup>1</sup> -----	Washington, D. C.
Senior vice department commander---	F. W. Archibald <sup>1</sup> ---	Washington, D. C.
Junior vice department commander---	Alfred Shaw <sup>1</sup> ---	Washington, D. C.
Assistant adjutant general-----	O. H. Oldroyd <sup>1</sup> -----	Washington, D. C.



## POTOMAC—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Jeremiah Wilt,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.  
 Isaac D. Williamson,<sup>2</sup>  
 Charles Loeffler,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.  
 B. F. Davis, Washington, D. C.

## ALTERNATES.

E. J. Hartshorn,<sup>1</sup> Kensington, Md.  
 John A. Haskins,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.  
 J. E. Richmond, Washington, D. C.  
 C. B. Lower, Washington, D. C.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Samuel A. Duncan,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Timothy Luby,<sup>2</sup> 1870-72.  
 Frank H. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 Benjamin F. Hawkes,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 A. H. G. Richardson,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Geo. E. Corson, Washington, 1878.  
 Harrison Dingman,<sup>3</sup> Washington, 1879.  
 Chas. C. Royce,<sup>4</sup> Washington, 1880.  
 William Gibson,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Samuel S. Burdett,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 D. S. Alexander,<sup>5</sup> Buffalo, N. Y., 1884.  
 Newton M. Brooks, Washington, 1885.  
 Jerome B. Burke, Washington, 1886-87.  
 Charles P. Lincoln,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 William S. Odell,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 M. Emmett Urell,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 J. M. Pipes,<sup>2</sup> Washington, 1891.  
 A. F. Dinsmore, Washington, 1892.  
 S. E. Faunce, Washington, 1893.  
 Nathan Bickford,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Marion T. Anderson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John McElroy,<sup>1 6</sup> Washington, 1896.  
 Thomas S. Hopkins, Washington, 1897.

Arthur Hendricks,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Calvin Farnsworth, Washington, 1899.  
 George H. Slaybaugh,<sup>1 7</sup> Washington, 1900.  
 Israel W. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 B. F. Bingham, Washington, 1902.  
 I. G. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Abram Hart,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 A. P. Tasker, Washington, 1905.  
 B. P. Entriakin, Washington, 1906.  
 Newton Ferree, Washington, 1907.  
 John S. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Edwin H. Holbrook,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Henry A. Johnson,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1910.  
 George C. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. D. Bloodgood,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Thos. H. McKee,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1913.  
 J. K. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 L. H. Patterson, Washington, 1915.  
 A. H. Huntoon, Washington, 1916.  
 A. H. Frear,<sup>1</sup> Washington, 1917.  
 S. G. Mawson, Washington, 1918.  
 H. B. Snyder, Washington, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Dingman, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Royce, past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Alexander. See New York.<sup>6</sup> Comrade McElroy, past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>7</sup> Comrade Slaybaugh, past senior vice commander in chief.

## RHODE ISLAND (11).

[Organized Mar. 24, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 664; posts, 22.]

Department commander-----William Massey<sup>1</sup>-----Pawtucket.  
 Senior vice department commander---Fred. S. Oakley<sup>1</sup>-----Norwood.  
 Junior vice department commander---John J. Bellows<sup>1</sup>-----Providence.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----H. J. Pickersgill<sup>1</sup>-----East Providence.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Giles S. Congdon, Bristol.  
 John M. Burdick,<sup>1</sup> Riverpoint.  
 George Messenger,<sup>1</sup> Providence.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

## ALTERNATES.

Christopher H. Carpenter,<sup>1</sup> Providence.  
 Henry W. Pickering, Woonsocket.  
 James A. Abbott, Washington, D. C.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Ambrose E. Burnside,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Horatio Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Charles R. Brayton,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Elisha H. Rhodes,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Edwin Metcalf,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 Edwin C. Pomroy,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Charles H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 Henry J. Spooner,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Fred A. Arnold, Providence, 1878.

Henry R. Barker,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Charles C. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William H. P. Steers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Henry F. Jenks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Philip S. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Andrew K. McMahon, Newport, 1884.  
 Eugene A. Cory,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Theodore A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Benjamin L. Hall, Edgewood, 1887.

## RHODE ISLAND—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Gideon Spencer,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Alonzo Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Benjamin F. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Benjamin H. Child,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 David S. Ray,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 George T. Cranston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles H. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Daniel R. Ballou, Providence, 1895.  
 William E. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Livingston Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Samuel W. K. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Charles O. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Walter A. Read,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles P. Moies,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 George H. Chenery,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 James S. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Joseph Wooley,<sup>2</sup> 1904.

Ezra K. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George L. Greene,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Edward Wilcox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William O. Milne,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Francello G. Jillson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Charles H. Ewer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Ezra Dixon, Bristol, 1911.  
 Thomas M. Holden, Riverpoint, 1912.  
 George H. Cheek, Pawtucket, 1913.  
 Gilbert Wilson, Providence, 1914.  
 Henry J. Pickersgill,<sup>1, 3</sup> East Providence, 1915.  
 Joseph Gough, Olneyville, 1916.  
 Augustine A. Mann, Central Falls, 1917.  
 Murdock C. McKenzie, Bristol, 1918.  
 Fred A. Burt, Greenwood, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Pickersgill, assistant adjutant general.

## SOUTH DAKOTA (29).

[Organized Mar. 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 633; posts, 55.]

Department commander	E. L. Hurlbut <sup>1</sup>	Rapid City.
Senior vice department commander	L. E. Bloodgood	Huron.
Junior vice department commander	J. E. Davis <sup>1</sup>	Lennox.
Assistant Adjutant General	C. A. B. Fox <sup>1</sup>	Sioux Falls.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

H. C. Neumeyer,<sup>1</sup> Alpena.  
 T. T. Snow,<sup>1</sup> Sioux Falls.  
 C. W. Truax,<sup>1</sup> Huron.

## ALTERNATES.

I. L. Bates, Groton.  
 F. C. Boyd, Springfield.  
 Harry Shields, Huron.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thomas S. Free,<sup>2</sup> 1883-84.  
 W. V. Lucas,<sup>3</sup> Santa Cruz, 1885-86.  
 Harrison Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 S. F. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George A. Silsby,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 E. T. Langley,<sup>4</sup> Santa Ana, Calif., 1890.  
 C. S. Palmer,<sup>5</sup> Burlington, Vt., 1891.  
 J. B. Hoit,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 N. C. Nash,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 George W. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 S. R. Drake,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John Ackley,<sup>2</sup> 1896 (died in office).  
 John F. Baker, Zephyrhills, Fla., 1896.  
 C. B. Clark, Hot Springs, 1897.  
 E. P. Farr, Hot Springs, 1898.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899 (see New York).  
 Philip Lawrence,<sup>1</sup> Pomona, Calif., 1900.  
 George W. Snow,<sup>1</sup> Springfield, 1901.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard,<sup>6</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif., 1902.

Thomas Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 H. P. Packard, Redfield,<sup>1</sup> 1904.  
 J. B. Wolgemuth,<sup>2</sup> 1905 (See Montana).  
 N. I. Lothian,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 T. C. De Jean, Plankinton,<sup>1, 7</sup> 1907.  
 Warren G. Osborn, Zephyrhills, Fla., 1908.  
 Alexander S. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 N. H. Kingman,<sup>1</sup> Eugene, Oreg., 1910.  
 Thomas H. Brown,<sup>1</sup> Sioux Falls, 1911.  
 O. S. Gifford,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 H. L. Ferry Vermilion, 1912.  
 John L. Jolley, Vermilion, 1913.  
 C. A. B. Fox,<sup>1, 8</sup> Sioux Falls, 1914.  
 Chas. S. Blodgett, Rapid City, 1915.  
 Walter H. Carr, Yankton, 1916.  
 J. C. Luce,<sup>1</sup> Groton, 1917.  
 James S. Sebree, Pierre, 1918.  
 A. L. Van Osdel, Mission Hill, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Lucas. See California and Nevada.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Langley. See California and Nevada.<sup>5</sup> Comrade C. S. Palmer. See Vermont.<sup>6</sup> Comrade Blanchard. See California and Nevada.<sup>7</sup> Comrade De Jean, national council of administration.<sup>8</sup> Comrade Fox, assistant adjutant general.



TENNESSEE (34).

[Organized Feb. 26, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 500 ; posts, 24.]

Department commander	O. L. Thompson <sup>1</sup>	Rockwood.
Senior vice department commander	William E. Rhegness <sup>1</sup>	Jackson.
Junior vice department commander	W. W. Lowery <sup>1</sup>	Riceville.
Assistant adjutant general	B. F. Bashor <sup>1</sup>	Knoxville.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
O. T. French, Greenville.	John Grey, <sup>1</sup> Greenville.
H. A. Mooney, <sup>1</sup> Nat'l Soldiers' Home.	W. C. Chandler, <sup>1</sup> Knoxville.
Silas Flournoy, Greenville.	Alexander Eckle, Knoxville.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward S. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1884-85.	Walton W. French, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
E. E. Winters, <sup>3</sup> 1886.	John T. Wilder, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
William J. Ramage, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Will A. McTeer, <sup>1</sup> Maryville, 1907.
William Rule, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	S. W. Tindell, National Soldiers' Home, 1908.
A. H. Pettibone, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	D. Minor Steward, <sup>1</sup> Chattanooga, 1909.
Charles F. Muller, <sup>3</sup> 1890.	Ignaz Fanz, Knoxville, 1910.
A. J. Gahagan, Chattanooga, 1891.	Chas. H. Flournoy, Knoxville, 1911.
Frank C. Whittaker, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. M. Gamble, Maryville, 1912.
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	W. D. Atchley, Sevierville, 1913.
W. E. F. Milburn, <sup>4</sup> National Soldiers' Home, 1894.	A. P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).
William J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	D. D. Nicholas, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Halbert B. Case, <sup>2</sup> 1896-97.	F. M. Underwood, <sup>1</sup> Knoxville, 1915.
Wm. N. Nelson, Backwoods, 1898.	J. R. Kennedy, <sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1916.
Henry Crumbliss, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	O. C. Kinley, <sup>1</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Kansas, 1917.
S. T. Harris, Dandridge, 1900.	W. F. Roberts, <sup>1</sup> Memphis, 1918.
M. M. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	F. M. Fessenden, <sup>1</sup> Chattanooga, 1919.
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> 1902-3.	
Ben A. Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.  
<sup>4</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

TEXAS (38).

[Organized Mar. 25, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 242 ; posts, 8.]

Department commander	Max Hunt <sup>1</sup>	Houston.
Senior vice department commander	J. S. Ewing	San Antonio.
Junior vice department commander	Byron P. Drowne	El Paso.
Assistant adjutant general	E. N. Ketchum	Galveston.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
A. Rockhold, <sup>1</sup> Dallas.	Nat. Underwood, <sup>1</sup> San Antonio.
J. D. Lesch, Fort Worth.	J. C. Bump, Floresville.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. D. Wylie, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
O. T. Lyon, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	John Roach, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
W. H. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Charles B. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
J. C. DeGress, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	P. B. Hunt, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
A. G. Malloy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	C. C. Haskell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
A. K. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John H. Bolton, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
M. W. Mann, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	John L. Boyd, Dallas, 1904.
O. G. Peterson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Elmore A. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
John W. Park, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	W. H. Harvey, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
R. M. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	L. L. Whitaker, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
W. W. Bostwick, Longmont, Colo., 1895.	Thomas M. Wright, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
G. W. McCormick, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Calvin R. Hubbard, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Ed. N. Ketchum, <sup>3</sup> Galveston, 1897.	J. S. Dunlap, Dallas, 1910.
	W. O. Kretsinger, <sup>2</sup> 1911.

## TEXAS—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

E. P. Brown, Fort Worth, 1912.  
 Sidney Tuttle,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Robert McCormick, Dallas, 1914.  
 C. S. Brodbent,<sup>1</sup> San Antonio, 1915.

C. A. Cahoon,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 M. B. Young, Weatherford, 1917.  
 Anson Miller,<sup>1</sup> Anahuac, 1918.  
 Edward Loomis,<sup>1</sup> San Antonio, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Ketchum, assistant adjutant general.

## UTAH (33).

[Organized Oct. 8, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 162; posts, 5.]

Department commander	Ezra D. Haskins	Salt Lake City
Senior vice department commander	Seymour B. Young <sup>1</sup>	Salt Lake City
Junior vice department commander	Charles Rollow	Ogden
Assistant adjutant general	John M. Bowman	Salt Lake City

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. Van Patten,<sup>1</sup> Ogden.  
 W. H. McMahon,<sup>1</sup> Logan.

## ALTERNATES.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George C. Douglas,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Ransford Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Henry C. Wardleigh,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Elijah Sells,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Eli H. Murray,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Nathan Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Henry T. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Henry Page,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Frank Hoffman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 James R. Elliott,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 J. W. Greenman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Thomas C. Iliff,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Charles O. Farnsworth,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 M. M. Kellogg,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Thomas C. Bailey,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Norman H. Ives, Ely, Nev., 1898.  
 Maurice M. Kaighn,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Marshall A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900 (see California and Nevada).  
 Rudolph Alf,<sup>2</sup> 1901.

William M. Bostaph,<sup>3</sup> Salt Lake City, 1902.  
 Frank H. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Henry P. Burns, Salt Lake City, 1904.  
 E. T. Hulaniski, Ogden, 1905.  
 B. M. Sperry, Salt Lake City, 1906.  
 Alfred Kent,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 R. G. Sleater,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Lucian L. Smyth, Salt Lake City, 1909.  
 Thomas Lundy,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 A. B. Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. W. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 Frank H. Hall,<sup>1</sup> Salt Lake City, 1912.  
 Reuben Oehler,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 N. A. Heath, Ogden, 1914.  
 H. G. Rollins, Salt Lake City, 1915.  
 N. D. Corser, Salt Lake City, 1916-17.  
 J. C. A. Warfield, Salt Lake City, 1918.  
 C. W. A. Schnell, Salt Lake City, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Bostaph, past senior vice commander in chief.

## VERMONT (13).

[Organized Dec. 23, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 1,147; posts, 83.]

Department commander	L. W. Bush <sup>1</sup>	Townshend.
Senior vice department commander	E. E. Pierce <sup>1</sup>	Springfield.
Junior vice department commander	Charles H. Stone <sup>1</sup>	Fairhaven.
Assistant adjutant general	H. P. Hunter <sup>1</sup>	Brattleboro.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

George H. Waldron,<sup>1</sup> Springfield.  
 John R. Wilson, Worcester.  
 James E. Post, Rutland.  
 Charles H. Dunton, Poultney.  
 W. J. Cummings,<sup>1</sup> Benson.

## ALTERNATES.

Charles H. Granger, Rutland.  
 Charles H. Cota, St. Albans.  
 Nathan C. Cushing, Woodstock.  
 Henry J. Allen, Brattleboro.  
 F. H. Ketchum, Randolph.  
 J. D. Hanrahan,<sup>1</sup> Rutland.  
 J. A. Thwing,<sup>1</sup> Bellows Falls.  
 A. M. Whitelaw,<sup>1</sup> Wells River.



## VERMONT—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George P. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 William W. Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Wheelock G. Veazey,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Stephen Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 Theodore S. Peck,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 J. H. Goulding,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 George W. Hooker,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 A. B. Valentine,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 C. C. Kinsman,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 W. L. Greenleaf,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 George T. Childs,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 P. D. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Herbert E. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 A. S. Tracy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Z. M. Mansur,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 D. L. Morgan, Rutland, 1891.  
 Hugh Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 George W. Doty,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles F. Branch,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Barney Cannon, jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 N. M. Puffer,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 E. W. Jewett,<sup>2</sup> 1897.

L. B. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 F. G. Butterfield,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 U. A. Woodbury,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Joel H. Lucia,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 R. E. Hathorn, Ludlow, 1902.  
 Frank Kenfield,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James E. Eldridge,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Seymour H. Wood, St. Albans, 1905.  
 John A. Sheldon,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Andrew C. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Charles E. Beach, Burlington, 1908.  
 Alvin B. Franklin, Townshend, 1909.  
 E. J. Foster,<sup>1</sup> Waterbury Center, 1910.  
 Chester M. Ferrin, Burlington, 1911.  
 Albert A. Niles, Morrisville, 1912.  
 Thomas Hannon, Bennington, 1913.  
 Edward Baker, Montpelier, 1914.  
 George P. Martin, Bennington, 1915.  
 Henry C. Streeter,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 C. T. S. Pierce,<sup>1</sup> Vergennes, 1917-18.  
 A. T. Woodward, Rutland, 1919.

C. S. Palmer, Burlington, 1891, transferred from South Dakota.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA (15).

[Organized July 27, 1871. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 287: posts, 20.]

Department commander-----	Chas. H. Haber <sup>1</sup> ---	Nat'l Soldiers' Home.
Senior vice department commander----	Charles Grandy <sup>1</sup> ---	Norfolk, Va.
Junior vice department commander----	Geo. W. Gray-----	Nat'l Soldiers' Home.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Geo. W. Burchfield <sup>1</sup> ---	Nat'l Soldiers' Home.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Peter Messitt, Nat'l Soldiers' Home.  
 Edmond Riddick,<sup>1</sup> Portsmouth, Va.

## ALTERNATES.

W. S. Wilson, National Soldiers' Home.  
 J. J. Richards, Norfolk, Va.  
 H. W. House,<sup>1</sup> Portsmouth, Va.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William N. Eaton,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 William H. Aspenzeller,<sup>2</sup> 1875-76.  
 William Ryder,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 R. F. Staples,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Richard Bond,<sup>2</sup> 1879 (see Georgia and South Carolina).  
 A. B. Hurlburt,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 W. Hervey King,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 P. T. Woodfin,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 B. C. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. DeB. Clay,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 John W. Woodman, Portsmouth, Va., 1887-88.  
 R. P. Wheeler,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 N. J. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 H. B. Nichols,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Edgar Allan,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 W. Whitcomb,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Joseph G. Fulton,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Jas. E. Porter,<sup>2</sup> 1895 (see Pennsylvania).

H. W. Weiss,<sup>1 3</sup> Emporia, Va., 1896.  
 John W. Stebbins, Norfolk, Va., 1897.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1898 (see Pennsylvania).  
 John W. Rutter, Portsmouth, Va., 1899.  
 A. B. Heistand,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Peter Morton,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 C. D. Grew,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 M. H. Haas,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 John C. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Isaac Powell, Newburn, N. C., 1905.  
 D. R. Wilson, Richmond, Va., 1906.  
 A. A. Hager,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Thomas Fogerty,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Frank M. Work, National Soldiers' Home, Ohio, 1909.  
 Charles H. Haber,<sup>1 4</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Virginia, 1910-1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Comrade Weiss, national council of administration.

<sup>4</sup> Comrade Haber, junior vice commander in chief.

## WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30).

[Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 2,185; posts, 78.]

Department commander-----O. D. McDonald-----Bellingham.  
 Senior vice department commander--W. A. Inman-----Colfax.  
 Junior vice department commander---J. F. Murphy-----Yakima.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Willis Richardson-----Bellingham.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. P. Rounds,<sup>1</sup> Spokane.  
 Elias White,<sup>1</sup> Vancouver.  
 R. H. Ball,<sup>1</sup> Conner.  
 James H. Chase,<sup>1</sup> Cashmere.  
 W. A. Rollins, Yakima.  
 Jasper Gates, Mt. Vernon.  
 Henry Anderson, Tacoma.  
 I. N. Drake, Sunnyside.

## ALTERNATES.

A. P. Lawrence, Seattle.  
 David Lincoln.  
 W. M. Badger, Yakima.  
 George W. Bowers, Walla Walla.  
 William Girard, Bellingham.  
 R. N. Ashmore, Chehalis.  
 Charles Crowell, Wenatchee.  
 A. B. Nolton, Seattle.  
 W. H. Robinson,<sup>1</sup> Tacoma.  
 A. W. Hastie,<sup>1</sup> Seattle.  
 A. B. Knowlton,<sup>1</sup>  
 W. L. Sively,<sup>1</sup>  
 E. E. Blossom.<sup>1</sup>

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. W. Sparling, <sup>2</sup> 1881-82.	H. A. Bigelow, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
George D. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	B. C. Redell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
H. A. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Thomas H. Cavanaugh, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
A. M. Brooks, Seattle, 1885.	Frank M. Davis, Seattle, 1904.
C. M. Holton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	J. T. Goss, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
A. P. Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	C. B. Dunning, Spokane, 1906.
J. W. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	W. H. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
S. C. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George H. Boardman, Tacoma, 1908.
M. M. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Lyman Banks, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
D. G. Lovell, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	W. H. Wiscombe, Spokane, 1910.
J. S. Brown, Rochester, 1892.	F. H. Hurd, <sup>3</sup> Seattle, 1911.
Joseph F. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	R. R. Harding, Port Angeles, 1912.
J. N. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	J. E. Stewart, Spokane, 1913.
Norman Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	H. R. Gale, Bremerton, 1914.
C. T. Patterson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	H. W. North, Everett, 1915.
John F. McLean, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. E. Gandy, <sup>1</sup> Spokane, 1916.
George W. Tibbetts, Seattle, 1898.	John J. See, Anacortes, 1917.
J. W. Langley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Samuel F. Street, Edmonds, 1918.
R. B. Freeman, Spokane, 1900.	A. A. Stevens, Wenatchee, 1919.

E. A. Shores,<sup>1</sup> Tacoma, 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.  
 John Phelps, Orting, 1889, transferred from Missouri.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Hurd, national council of administration.

## WEST VIRGINIA (28).

[Organized Apr. 9, 1868; reorganized Feb. 29, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 699; posts, 27.]

Department commander-----W. S. Grafton<sup>1</sup>-----Wheeling.  
 Senior vice department commander---H. S. White-----Matewan.  
 Junior vice department commander---Peter Loy<sup>1</sup>-----Sistersville.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----W. W. Rogers<sup>1</sup>-----Wheeling.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Thomas Carter, Parkersburg.  
 Silas Henderson, Meadville.  
 E. L. Hersey, Fairmont.

## ALTERNATES.

N. A. Beehgle, Parkersburg.  
 F. W. H. Baldwin, Moundsville.



## WEST VIRGINIA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. H. Flick,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 C. B. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John Carlin,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 G. W. Taggart,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Lee Haymond,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 R. E. Fleming,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 S. S. Hazen,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George J. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 I. H. Duval,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Charles E. Anderson, Weston, 1892.  
 Anthony Smith, Harrisville, 1893.  
 F. H. Crago,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 R. E. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 R. H. Freer,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Thomas A. Maulsby,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Richard Robertson, Wheeling, 1898.  
 Charles R. LaValley,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Arnold Brandley, Elkins, 1900.  
 M. B. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 C. C. Mathews, Moundsville, 1902.

Alexander C. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 O. H. Michaelson, Charleston, 1904.  
 J. W. Shroyer,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Thomas M. Mills, New Martinsville,  
 1906.  
 Isaac M. Adams,<sup>1</sup> Ravenswood, 1907.  
 Thomas R. Marks,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 D. Mayer,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 J. L. Caldwell,<sup>1</sup> Huntington, 1910.  
 Thomas V. Salisbury,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 E. A. Billingslea,<sup>3</sup> Fairmont, 1912.  
 John Millan,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Thomas C. Hammond, Moundsville,  
 1914.  
 C. T. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 James T. Piggott, Parkersburg, 1916.  
 S. R. Hanen, Glen Easton, 1917.  
 W. T. Cox,<sup>2</sup> 1918 (died in office).  
 L. B. Moore, Parkersburg, 1918-19.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Billingslea, national council of administration.

## WISCONSIN (2).

[Organized June 7, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1919, 3,113; posts, 168.]

Department commander	Walter O. Pietzsch <sup>1</sup>	Madison.
Senior vice department commander	M. L. Snyder <sup>1</sup>	Waukesha.
Junior vice department commander	Dennis Meidam	Appleton.
Assistant adjutant general	W. J. McKay <sup>1</sup>	Madison.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Michael Rabyor,<sup>1</sup> Janesville.  
 B. W. Collins, Sheboygan.  
 Alex. B. Campbell,<sup>1</sup> Albion.  
 Tom L. Johnson, Nat'l Sol. Home.  
 H. W. F. Fisher, Milwaukee.  
 Murray McCallum, Menasha.  
 W. B. Blackly, Baraboo.  
 John W. Evans, Waupaca.  
 J. M. Whitley,<sup>1</sup> De Pere.  
 George F. Hellas, Eau Claire.  
 John H. Hellweg, Hayward.

## ALTERNATES.

David Oram, Racine.  
 E. B. Heimstreet,<sup>1</sup> Lake Mills.  
 S. D. Gault, Richland Center.  
 James A. Turner, Milwaukee.  
 Alexander Arissman, Milwaukee.  
 F. J. Winkler, Shilton.  
 George B. Dodd, Baraboo.  
 James A. Bremmer, Stevens Point.  
 Henry C. Smith, Green Bay.  
 John W. Thomas,<sup>1</sup> Chippewa Falls.  
 Robert Inglis, Bayfield.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James K. Proudfit,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 H. A. Starr,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 J. M. Rush,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 T. S. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1869-70.  
 Edward Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 A. J. McCoy,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 G. A. Hannaford, Boise, Idaho, 1874-75.  
 John Hancock,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 Henry G. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 F. S. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Griff J. Thomas,<sup>3</sup> Harvard, Nebr., 1879-  
 1881.  
 H. M. Enos,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Phil Cheek,<sup>2</sup> 1883-84.

James Davidson,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Lucius Fairchild,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 H. P. Fisher,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Michael Griffin,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. G. Weissert,<sup>4</sup> Milwaukee, 1888.  
 Leander Ferguson, Brandon, 1889.  
 Benj. F. Bryant,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 W. H. Upham, Marshfield, 1891.  
 C. B. Welton,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 E. A. Shores,<sup>5</sup> Tacoma, Wash., 1893.  
 J. A. Watrous, Waupaca, 1894.  
 W. D. Hoad,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 D. Lloyd Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 E. B. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1897.

## WISCONSIN—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

C. H. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Henry Harnden,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 S. H. Tallmadge,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 D. G. James,<sup>1</sup> Richland Center, 1900.  
 A. H. DeGroff,<sup>6</sup> San Jose, Calif., 1901.  
 J. H. Agen. Houston, Tex., 1902.  
 J. P. Rundle, Milwaukee, 1903.  
 Pliny Norcross,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 F. A. Copeland, LaCrosse, 1905.  
 John W. Ganes, Ripon, 1906.  
 John C. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Madison, 1907.  
 E. D. Coe,<sup>2</sup> 1908.

R. B. Laing, Racine, 1909.  
 William H. Grinnell,<sup>1</sup> Beloit, 1909.  
 Frank A. Walsh,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee, 1910.  
 Hiram J. Smith, Racine, 1911.  
 Geo. Spratt,<sup>1</sup> Sheboygan Falls, 1912.  
 Charles H. Henry, Eau Claire, 1913.  
 S. A. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 W. J. McKay,<sup>1 7</sup> Madison, 1915.  
 O. L. Rosenkrans, Milwaukee, 1916.  
 William A. Wyse, Reedsburg, 1917.  
 George D. Breed, Chilton, 1918.  
 Robert R. Campbell, Green Bay, 1919.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Comrade Thomas. See Nebraska.<sup>4</sup> Comrade Weissert, past commander in chief.<sup>5</sup> Comrade Shores. See Washington and Alaska.<sup>6</sup> Comrade DeGroff. See California and Nevada.<sup>7</sup> Comrade McKay, assistant adjutant general.



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COLA D. R. STOWITS, *quartermaster general.*

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JOHN B. INMAN, Springfield, Ill.	HARRY L. BEACH, Hartford, Conn.
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L. L. CADWELL, Decorah, Iowa.	
JOHN B. BANDEROB, Oshkosh, Wis.	

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**DEPARTMENTS IN ORDER OF SENIORITY, ACCORDING TO  
DATES OF PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AS HERETOFORE  
ANNOUNCED.**

No.	Department.	Organized.
1	Illinois.....	Apr. 6, 1866
2	Wisconsin.....	June 7, 1866
3	Pennsylvania.....	Jan. 16, 1867
4	Ohio.....	Jan. 30, 1867
5	New York.....	Apr. 3, 1867
6	Connecticut.....	Apr. 11, 1867
7	Massachusetts.....	May 7, 1867
8	New Jersey.....	Dec. 10, 1867
9	Maine.....	Jan. 10, 1868
10	California and Nevada.....	Feb. 21, 1868
11	Rhode Island.....	Mar. 24, 1868
12	New Hampshire.....	June 30, 1868
13	Vermont.....	Oct. 23, 1868
14	Potomac, provisional department, organized Aug. 6, 1867.....	Feb. 13, 1869
15	Virginia and North Carolina.....	July 27, 1871
	As department of Virginia; name changed to Virginia and North Carolina May 20, 1892.	
16	Maryland, organized Jan. 8, 1868.....	June 9, 1876 <sup>1</sup>
17	Nebraska.....	June 11, 1877
18	Michigan, organized May 6, 1868.....	Jan. 22, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
19	Iowa, organized Sept. 26, 1866.....	Jan. 23, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
20	Indiana, organized Aug. 20, 1866.....	Oct. 3, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
21	Colorado and Wyoming.....	Dec. 11, 1879
	As department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming Aug. 28, 1889.	
22	Kansas, organized Dec. 7, 1866.....	Mar. 16, 1880 <sup>1</sup>
23	Delaware.....	Jan. 14, 1881
24	Minnesota, organized Aug. 4, 1867.....	Aug. 17, 1881 <sup>1</sup>
25	Missouri, organized May 16, 1867.....	Apr. 22, 1882 <sup>1</sup>
26	Oregon.....	Sept. 28, 1882
27	Kentucky.....	Jan. 16, 1883
28	West Virginia, organized Apr. 9, 1868.....	Feb. 20, 1883 <sup>1</sup>
29	South Dakota.....	Feb. 27, 1883
	As department of Dakota; name changed to South Dakota Apr. 11, 1890.	
30	Washington and Alaska.....	June 20, 1883
31	Arkansas.....	July 11, 1883
32	New Mexico.....	July 14, 1883
33	Utah.....	Oct. 8, 1883
34	Tennessee.....	Feb. 26, 1884
35	Louisiana and Mississippi.....	May 15, 1884
	As department of the Gulf; name changed to Louisiana and Mississippi June 13, 1888.	
36	Florida.....	June 19, 1884
37	Montana.....	Mar. 10, 1885
38	Texas.....	Mar. 25, 1885
39	Idaho.....	Jan. 11, 1888
40	Arizona.....	Jan. 17, 1888
41	Georgia and South Carolina.....	Jan. 25, 1889
42	Alabama.....	Mar. 12, 1889
43	North Dakota.....	Apr. 23, 1890
44	Oklahoma.....	Aug. 7, 1890
	As department of Oklahoma and Indian Territory; name changed to Oklahoma July 3, 1891.	
45	Indian Territory.....	July 3, 1891
	Consolidated with and merged into the department of Oklahoma May 19-22, 1908.	

<sup>1</sup> Reorganized.





# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT

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## THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, AT INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 23 AND 24, 1920.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1920—MORNING SESSION.

The Fifty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened at Tomlinson Hall, Indianapolis, Ind., on September 23, 1920, at 10 o'clock a. m.

The encampment was opened in due form by Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall.

The following-named comrades were in charge of Tomlinson Hall, under the direction of Chief of Staff George A. Hosley, performing their duties efficiently:

Officer of the day: Zach T. Landers, Anderson Post, Indianapolis (who acted in a similar capacity at the Twenty-seventh National Encampment held in Indianapolis in 1893).

Officer of the guard: H. L. Bruce, Joseph R. Gordon Post, Indianapolis.

Members of the guard: Ben Jerrald, D. W. Fox, W. R. Shearer, Isaac Julian, Irby Wagoner, and Ben F. Bitner, of Thomas Post; Henry Lauer, Joe Jerard, Wm. Neiman, Fred Sturn, A. Helen, and B. C. Cantur, of Joseph R. Gordon Post; H. L. Trublood, Ely Smith, and Joshua Humble, of Chapman Post; Robert Clark, George Eagle, Rack Royster, and J. J. Sincebaugh, of Anderson Post, all of Indianapolis.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, now let us have quiet. I am going to ask an unusual thing of you at the opening. I am going to ask every member to rise to his feet, and stand with bowed head for one moment in memory of him whom we elected commander in chief and who we expected would preside over us to-day.

(The representatives rise and stand with bowed heads.)

The chaplain will now invoke the Divine blessing.

Chaplain in Chief W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa. Our kind Father in Heaven, we thank Thee for the favorable circumstances under which we assemble in this encampment. We thank Thee for the mercies that have attended us through the past year and through the years that have come and gone. And though our chosen beloved commander has been called away and though thousands of others have finished their lives here upon earth, we thank Thee that they still live in their influence. Their manhood and their uprightness and their loyalty are our common heritage for the years to come.

We thank Thee, dear Father, for the blessings that have rested upon us individually and as members of the Grand Army of the Republic. We thank Thee, our Father, that our commander has had health and strength to meet the arduous duties that have come



unexpectedly upon him. Give him strength during these remaining days that we may rightly finish the work of this encampment.

Now, our Father, may Thy blessings attend us. Help us in all of our discussions to keep our heads. Help us to realize that we may differ upon great vital questions and yet we may be equally patriotic. Bless us as an order, and bless our Nation. O, God, our Father, in all the years that have rolled by, we thank Thee that we have the evidence that Thy right hand has been guiding us, and in this time of dissension and in this time of turmoil we pray that the right may triumph and that evil may be overthrown.

May Thy blessings rest upon our officers, upon all our membership, and grant that the closing days of the closing years of these comrades may be the richest and the best and the happiest, and may their influence still continue as the years roll by. We ask all in the Master's name. Amen.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will ask you to remain standing while we sing the first and last verses of "America."

Comrade WILLIAM L. HEISKELL, of Indiana (leading). Sing it as though you believed that this was and is your country, the best country on earth.

("America" was then sung by those present in an enthusiastic manner.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The first business in order will be the report of the credentials committee. Without having any report ready, I am satisfied that there is a quorum, more than a quorum present, and I am going to say to you that this encampment is now open for the transaction of business. Comrade Ketcham has an announcement to make.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. Comrades, I want to borrow your ears for a minute, and I want especially the attention of your assistant adjutants general. To-morrow afternoon, as near 2 o'clock as possible, after the adjournment of the encampment and the installation of the officers, the citizens of Indianapolis will give to the representatives—mark that, representatives—an automobile ride, finishing up with a parade of the troops at Fort Benjamin Harrison and a lunch given by the colonel in command, and the committee wants to know by 12 o'clock to-day how many representatives desire to participate in that ride. They want to have enough automobiles and they don't want too many. The automobiles will be in Monument Place at 2 o'clock. Monument Place has been properly closed to all vehicle traffic during encampment week, but the barriers will be let down in order that the boys and their automobiles can get through without any trouble. Now, if you will kindly have your assistant adjutants general ascertain how many from your department want to participate in this ride and send the number here to headquarters, and the adjutant general will find out how many on the stage want to go, it will be a great accommodation to the good citizens of Indianapolis. You want to understand that you must wear your badges. That is all that will be asked of you, and if you have left your badges at home you can not get into an automobile on the password. You get into an automobile on your badges and nothing else. Because so wise a man as Charlie Burton didn't understand the announcement, I want to make it plain. Nobody is to go on that trip except representatives. Your wives, your



daughters, your friends must amuse themselves as best they can otherwise. They are not invited to go on that ride.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I desire to ask a question. The comrade in announcing the invitation to ride emphasized representatives. Does that include all members of this encampment, the past department commanders? Representatives are representatives, but past department commanders are another class. They are not representatives.

Comrade KETCHAM. Every man who has a badge and is as such entitled to sit in this encampment is invited to go. He will go on his badge. If he has got a badge he will go, and if he hasn't got a badge he won't go.

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief Charles B. Wilson was then called to the chair, after which the commander in chief read his address to the encampment, as follows:)

#### ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

At the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held at Columbus, Ohio, during the week of September 7, 1919, Comrade James D. Bell, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, at which time I was honored by being elected to the high office of senior vice commander in chief.

Commander in Chief Bell, after a few days' illness, died November 1, 1919, at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y. The news came to me, as I know it did to all of you, as a great shock. I was called to Brooklyn and attended his funeral, after which I was duly installed as commander in chief by Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers.

No one in all the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic regretted more than I did the sad circumstance that made me commander in chief. I had never aspired to this position; but, coming to me as it did, there was but one thing to do—assume the duties of the exalted office and give it the best service that lay in my power.

At the encampment held in Columbus, Ohio, last September, Atlantic City was selected for holding the encampment of 1920. Commander in Chief Bell had called his executive committee to meet on the 6th of November. His death intervening made it necessary for me to take up the matter. I met the committee November 6, at Atlantic City, and we entered into a contract, practically the same as that signed at Columbus last year. After corresponding with the committee at Atlantic City for about six months, they notified us that there was some doubt about the appropriation granted by the New Jersey Legislature being available. A visit to Atlantic City brought out the information that while the 1919 legislature and the governor then in office had invited our encampment to meet in Atlantic City this year and the 1919 legislature had voted \$25,000 for our entertainment, they had left it for the 1920 legislature to appropriate the money. The 1920 legislature for some reason haggled over the matter until the latter part of May, and when at last the appropriation was made, it was some time before the governor signed the bill, and when he did, he turned the money over to a special commission of seven members of the Grand Army of the Republic, four of whom are members of the national encampment. This commis-



sion decided that the appropriation was made by the legislature for the benefit of members of the department of New Jersey Grand Army of the Republic, and would not be available for the Atlantic City encampment committee. When we inquired of the committee if they intended to carry out the contracts without the appropriation, they notified us that without it they would be obliged to accept our cancellation of the contract with regret.

We at once notified Colorado Springs, Detroit, Pittsburgh, and Indianapolis of the situation. From Indianapolis we received a cordial invitation by wire, signed by the governor of Indiana, the mayor of Indianapolis, the president of the chamber of commerce, the president of the business men's association, and the department commander of Indiana Grand Army of the Republic, to hold our 1920 encampment in that city. I at once called the executive committee of the council of administration to meet at national headquarters, in Columbus, Ohio, on June 19, 1920. After explaining the situation to them, a motion was made and unanimously carried to cancel the Atlantic City contract.

Judge Robert W. McBride, commander of the department of Indiana, was present and extended us a very cordial invitation to come to Indianapolis with the 1920 encampment, which was unanimously accepted. On June 29, accompanied by Adj. Gen. O'Neill, Q. M. Gen. Stowits, and secretary, Miss Flood, I visited Indianapolis and made a very satisfactory contract for this encampment.

We are delighted to meet here to-day in this, the capital of the great patriotic State of Indiana. We have been royally received by the populace and our comrades of your beautiful city. We must feel thankful that we have been spared to be present at this, the fifty-fourth encampment of our organization. I will not take up your time to enumerate the wonderful accomplishments of the Grand Army of the Republic. The order has always stood as a bulwark for freedom and an enemy to the disloyal elements of our land and the greatest exponent of patriotism in the world. For details of the year's work, I refer you to the reports of Adj. Gen. O'Neill, Q. M. Gen. Stowits, and of other officers of the encampment.

#### PENSIONS.

Comrades, you will remember that at our last encampment the Fuller pension bill was indorsed by a rising vote. The bill had been favorably reported upon by the Pension Committee of the House and placed on the calendar, but had not received any action. On the 1st day of December, 1919, I called a meeting of the committee on legislation to meet at the Ebbitt House, Washington, D. C. On December 5 the entire committee was present, except Comrade Royce, who was unable to attend on account of sickness. We invited the Invalid Pension Committee of the House to meet with us at the Hotel Washington on the evening of the 6th. Mr. Fuller was indisposed and unable to be present. At that meeting the Fuller pension bill was fully discussed, and the entire committee of the House pledged themselves to do their utmost to accomplish its early passage. Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner arranged a meeting for the next day with Speaker Gillett of the House. He agreed to recognize Mr. Fuller on the first day that bills would be

considered under suspension of the rules, which was January 5, 1920. The bill was brought up by Mr. Fuller on that day, and after some discussion was passed—231 votes for it and 55 votes against it. The bill then went to the Pension Committee of the Senate. Mr. McCumber, chairman of the Pension Committee of the Senate, was unable to get his committee together until the 10th day of February, upon which day he notified me to be present. I was accompanied by Adj. Gen. O'Neill, Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner, John McElroy, Gen. John L. Clem, of our legislative committee, and Past Commander in Chief King, of Baltimore. Each one of us made an earnest plea for the early passage of the bill. The committee lacked a quorum and there was no official action that day. After much delay the bill was put upon its passage early in April and passed, becoming a law by the President's signature on May 1, 1920. This is probably the last general pension law that will be passed.

The bill providing for monthly payment of pensions has been introduced in the Senate and will probably receive early action when that body reconvenes December 1.

#### ARMY NURSES.

It is a real pleasure to me to announce that the Fuller pension bill, which became a law on May 1, 1920, provided for the noble band of Civil War nurses, who now number less than 100, by increasing their pensions from \$12 to \$30 per month, the same as widows. We remember the valiant service performed by them in hospitals and camps, and even upon the battle fields, patiently, with self-sacrifice, and without hope of reward. They were truly called "Angels of Mercy."

#### THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

This band of noble women, organized more than 37 years, has stood steadfastly by the Grand Army of the Republic, anticipating its needs and ready to supply them. Too much credit can not be given their national president, Mrs. Abbie Lynch, of Pittsburgh, Pa., for her untiring efforts in behalf of her order. The organization has had a wonderful growth until it now has approximately a membership of 190,000. They came to us this year, as they have been in the habit of doing, with a donation of \$1,000 for the southern memorial fund. I desire to assure the president and members of the Woman's Relief Corps that we fully appreciate their work and bid them godspeed.

#### THE LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

From the time of their organization to the present time, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic have been zealous workers for our comfort. They are our kinfolks, and we, the members of the Grand Army, appreciate their efforts in our behalf. This has been a prosperous year for them under the leadership of national president, Mrs. Lillian Clark Cary, of Dubuque, Iowa, whom I have met at many department encampments during the past year. We



feel under great obligations to her for her help and the kind words she has spoken. May their organization continue to prosper and may its loyalty to the Old Flag never waver!

#### THE DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

The Daughters of Veterans are a part of our family. A comrade should love his daughter better than anyone else in the world, with the exception of his wife. There is no organization in existence more patriotic, more true to its country and flag, than this. Always thoughtful of their fathers, carrying flowers to our sick comrades while they are living, they prove their devotion. The national president, Mrs. Clara G. Yengling, of Cleveland, Ohio, is deserving of great credit for her wonderful work this year. I have met her many times during the past year at department encampments, and found her to be an untiring worker for her organization and the cause of patriotism.

#### THE SONS OF VETERANS.

The Sons of Veterans is the organization that we must look to and lean heavily upon for support from this time on. They are our sons, our own flesh and blood, and they will stand loyally by us and take up the patriotic work as we lay it down. Under the able leadership of Commander in Chief Harry D. Sisson, of Pittsfield, Mass., they have made great progress during the past year. Comrades, let us do more for them in the future than we have done in the past by reporting to their nearest camp the names of men eligible to membership in their noble order.

#### SONS OF VETERANS' AUXILIARY.

This organization has increased in numbers and usefulness until now it wields a powerful influence, being prompted and actuated at all times by the highest type of patriotism. The requirements for membership are such as bring to their ranks a desirable class of women. It has been my pleasure to meet their president, Miss Mary Tredo, at several of the department encampments. Her eloquent words have been an inspiration for patriotism and love for the flag.

#### VETERANS OF OTHER WARS.

I have met with the United Spanish War Veterans many times this year and have found them patriotic Americans, ever ready to aid the veterans of the Civil War.

Very soon after my installation as commander in chief I received a telegram from Minneapolis, Minn., inviting me to be present at the first anniversary of the signing of the armistice, November 11, 1919. As it was impossible for me to reach there in time, I immediately wired Past Commander in Chief Ell Torrance, of Minneapolis, to represent these headquarters at that meeting, and to extend greetings to the American Legion on behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, which he did in a very eloquent address, creating great enthusiasm among those present.

Now, comrades, let us extend to the United Spanish War Veterans and American Legion the right hand of comradeship and journey forward together.

#### MEMORIAL DAY.

Memorial Day this year was observed to a greater extent than ever before. It is a pleasure to note that the citizens of this country each year are becoming more interested in the observance of this day, and its sacredness has taken deep root in the hearts of our people. There is less desecration of the day than formerly. It is gratifying to know that our graves and those of our comrades who have gone before will be tenderly cared for in the future.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

The Grand Army of the Republic this year for the third time in its history suffered the loss of a commander in chief by death. Col. James D. Bell, six weeks after his election and installation into office, was mustered into the Grand Army above, there to answer the last Roll Call. Few men have filled as important a place in public life as he had, and while we mourn his sudden passing, we regret that he could not have been left with us to carry out the plans which he had made for the good of our order and to preside over this encampment, as he had anticipated. Comrades James Tanner, Samuel Fallows, and A. J. Gahagan will present to this encampment resolutions on the death of Col. Bell.

Just as we had begun to recover from the shock caused by the death of Commander in Chief Bell, we were again startled by the news of the death of Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers. Comrade Beers has filled such an important place and has taken such an active part in our national encampments for years past that we will miss him greatly from our deliberations. His knowledge of the rules and regulations and of the action of the national encampments almost from its beginning made him a wise counselor and safe advisor. Comrades Leo Rassieur, Charles Fenton, and Clarendon E. Adams will present to this encampment resolutions on the death of Comrade Beers.

We were again shocked to hear of the sudden death of Past Commander in Chief Elias R. Monfort, while he was visiting his daughter in New York. A regular attendant at our national encampments, well versed in the laws of our order, we shall miss his advice and suggestions for the good of our organization. Comrades Orlando A. Somers, John M. Adams, and Thomas H. Brown will present to this encampment resolutions on the death of Comrade Monfort.

The muster out of these three leaders, all men on whom we depended at our national encampments and to whom we looked for guidance during the year, should only serve to remind us that it will not be so very long until we, too, shall answer the last Roll on the other shore. Comrades, let us close ranks and touch elbows a little closer, that we may be able to give the proper countersign when we, too, shall answer the last Roll Call.



## RAILROAD RATES.

The matter of railroad rates to this encampment has caused us more worry and travel and correspondence at national headquarters this year than almost anything else. For a long time it looked as if we would not get any reduced rates. When we called at the office of the Railroad Administration in Washington last February they informed us that they could not give us rates, as the railroads would be turned back to private control before the meeting of our encampment. As soon as the railroads ceased to be under Government control we made application to the chairman of the Trunk Lines Passenger Association for a rate of 1 cent a mile to the national encampment. Mr. Burt promised to lay the matter before the roads in his territory, and said when they had taken action he would submit the rate decided upon to the six other passenger associations, and they would either accept that rate or make their own rate for passage through their respective territories. We were glad to be informed early in June that the Trunk Lines Association had granted us a rate of 1 cent a mile, and later learned that the Central Passenger Association had accepted that rate for its territory. Before the other passenger associations had had an opportunity to act, we were obliged to change our place of meeting to Indianapolis, which was in the Central Passenger territory. This meant that the Central Passenger Association would have to take action on our appeal for a reduced rate and then submit the rate decided upon to the other associations. The Central Association met, voted to grant us a rate of 1 cent, and when they submitted the matter to the Interstate Commerce Commission were told that the commission did not favor selling tickets on the certificate plan, but wished the railroads to sell a ticket at the regular fare going, all attending the encampment to secure a certificate from the adjutant general entitling them to buy a return ticket at a reduced rate. As soon as we were informed of this the adjutant general went to Washington to see the Interstate Commerce Commission, and after explaining the matter to Mr. Hardee, was assured that we could buy tickets on the certificate plan, as formerly, and he would so notify Mr. Fox, chairman of the Central Passenger Association. Much to our surprise, we received from Mr. Fox, a week later, copy of letter received from the Interstate Commerce Commission denying the request of the passenger association to sell us tickets on the certificate plan. We immediately called on Senator James E. Watson, of Indiana, who was in Columbus at the time, and explained the situation to him, stating that this ruling would make it impossible for the railroads to grant us a cent-a-mile rate, and would have a great effect on the number attending the national encampment. He immediately wired to the counsel for the Interstate Commerce Commission, stating that the privilege had been granted for several months to organizations holding conventions, and protesting against the Grand Army of the Republic being deprived of this privilege. Then we were informed that the passenger associations had all agreed to charge 2 cents a mile. Just after this information was received we were notified that the Interstate Commerce Commission had consented to allow the passenger associations to sell us tickets on the certificate plan. We immediately went to Chicago to interview the chairman of the

several associations and brought all influence possible to bear on them to the end that we might have a 1-cent rate. The result you all know. While we regretted our inability to announce the rate sooner than we did, yet we were thankful to secure the reduced rate, even at a late day, in order that our comrades might benefit thereby. It seems to me that this encampment should express to Senator Watson, to the Interstate Commerce Commission, and to the several passenger associations our appreciation of their action and willingness to aid us. We are indebted to the chairman of each of the associations, and in particular to Mr. C. A. Fox, of the Central Association, for courteous and kindly treatment.

#### VISITATIONS.

My first address was made on November 5, 1919, at a banquet given by past commanders of Grant Post, No. 327, Brooklyn, N. Y., in honor of the eightieth birthday of Col. George A. Price, of our executive committee. I continued from that time to respond to the numerous calls made upon me to visit meetings of the Grand Army of the Republic and many of the allied organizations. My visits led me into 38 States to meet with their encampments, traveling approximately 31,000 miles, making 135 patriotic addresses. Whatever success has come to me is due largely to the membership of the Grand Army. Possibly the highest honor that came to me was to be chosen to preside at the dedication of the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, D. C., on May 15, 1920. Other arrangements had been made, when Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner, of the legislative committee, and Comrade John McElroy, the Grand Army member of the commission having supervision of building the Amphitheater, succeeded in convincing the Secretary of War that the exercises of dedication should be conducted by the Grand Army of the Republic. Other associations and Government officials were present and took an active part in the proceedings.

#### OFFICIAL RECOGNITION.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Charles B. Wilson, of Los Angeles, Calif., has given me very able assistance while I was touring the Pacific States, and represented me at the meeting of the department of California and Nevada and has performed other valuable services.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Isidore Isaacs, of New York City, has been a loyal and efficient helper in the Grand Army work, representing me at the encampment of the department of Connecticut and accompanying me and rendering all assistance in his power at other encampments.

Surg. Gen. Stephen I. Brown, of Knox, Ind., has stood ready to perform any duty or do anything required of him to make the administration a success.

Chaplain in Chief W. W. Gist, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, has been faithful in the discharge of his sacred duties. He attended the dedication ceremonies of the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington Cemetery, and is entitled to great credit for the able manner in which he performed his duties upon that occasion.



Joseph W. O'Neill, adjutant general, is one of the best known comrades in the organization. He has been a great help to me, accompanying me to many of the department encampments and representing me at others where I was unable to attend on account of other duties. A careful reading of his report will show how well our organization is holding its own, in spite of our increasing age.

Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, of Buffalo, N. Y., is certainly the right man in the right place. His long experience in financial matters and his extensive acquaintance with the comrades, especially qualify him to discharge the duties of his office in a most acceptable manner. As the custodian of the funds of the order, a great responsibility is placed upon him which he guards carefully, and for which he has our thanks. It is shown by his report that the revenue derived from all sources is not sufficient to meet the running expenses of our order, and rather than draw heavily on our permanent fund, I approve his recommendation with reference to increase in our per capita tax from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents to 7 cents per year. I think, comrades, we can well afford to pay 7 cents per year out of our pension of \$600, rather than deplete our permanent fund too fast.

Judge Advocate Gen. William A. Ketcham, of Indianapolis, Ind., has discharged the duties of his office in a very acceptable manner. Possessing as he does, a trained judicial mind, he is well qualified to pass upon the many problems that even at this late day, come up from time to time. His decisions have given universal satisfaction and have been of great help to the commander in chief.

Hosea W. Rood, of Milwaukee, Wis., national patriotic instructor, has proven by his untiring zeal in his work, his many fine articles of a patriotic character, published in the National Tribune and read and enjoyed by thousands of comrades, that no mistake was made in selecting him for that important office. His instructions and advice to the schools and institutions of learning throughout the country have been of great benefit to them. I most respectfully refer you to his report.

Asst. Adj. Gen. William S. Matthews, of Columbus, Ohio, has been of great service and help to me by his wise counsel and splendid comradeship, always ready and willing to assist when called upon.

Asst. Q. M. Gen. and Custodian of Records J. Henry Holcomb, of Philadelphia, Pa., has filled this office for many years to the satisfaction of each succeeding commander in chief. The records of the Grand Army of the Republic are in his possession, and he exercises a watchful guard over them. He is a careful and conscientious officer.

Too much praise can not be given to George A. Hosley, chief of staff, of Boston, Mass., for the very efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office. He is fully competent, his experience in this line having made him a skillful organizer. He lays his plans and executes them fearlessly. He rendered valuable service to me at the encampment of Massachusetts, and I detailed him to represent me at the New Hampshire and Maine encampments, which he did in a very satisfactory manner. He was also present at the dedication of the Memorial Amphitheater at Arlington Cemetery, and acted there as senior vice commander in chief.

Senior Aid-de-camp Thomas J. McConekey, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has held himself in readiness to respond to any call that might be

made upon him. He is a splendid comrade and has an excellent record as a soldier.

I desire to thank the members of the executive committee of the national council of administration who have been careful and efficient in the discharge of their duties. To these comrades I desire to express my deep appreciation of the assistance they have given and courtesies shown me. Our association together has been a source of deep and lasting pleasure to me. There are many others who have given good advice when sought for, too many, in fact, to mention all of their names in this address, but I have a deep appreciation of the helpfulness of all my comrades.

Too much praise can not be given Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, of Newton, Mass., secretary to the commander in chief. She has held this position for 10 years, and her experience in the detail work of the order, her pleasing personality, her extensive acquaintance with the membership, make her a valued member of the office force whose place it would be most difficult to fill.

Comrades, on November 1, 1919, James D. Bell, whom you had honored by electing to the highest office in the gift of the order, passed away. As senior vice commander in chief, according to the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I was called to succeed him in office. I realized fully the greatness of the honor conferred and the high responsibilities that I had to assume, and determined as far as possible to live up to the full measure of the usefulness and duties of the office. The labors of the year have been arduous and trying, both mentally and physically, and yet filled with pleasure, and during it all I have had the hearty and cordial support and sympathy of all my comrades, not only from those occupying the high offices of the order but from the humble and earnest workers in the ranks. If I have achieved any measure of success it is due more to my comrades than to myself. I congratulate you that you are living to-day, more than half a century since the close of the Civil War.

At the beginning of my administration as commander in chief I was confronted with serious trouble in one of our departments, but I am happy to say to you that that trouble has all been settled, and as far as I know there is peace in the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic in every department. Comrades, we are now all old men, and our dispositions should be mellowed with age. Let us continue to live together in peace. Again I thank you for the great honor conferred upon me, and my prayer is that the Great Commander may bless and keep you.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF (calling the encampment to its feet by the gavel). Salute your commander in chief. (Salute given.) The address of the commander in chief will be referred to a committee on the address of the commander in chief composed of Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner, Past Commander in Chief Ell Torrance, and Past Commander in Chief Orlando A. Somers.

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I am informed that a committee of the Sons of Veterans is at the outpost wishing to extend



their greetings to their fathers. Shall we admit them now? [Cries of "Yes."]

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. I move that all the other reports be received without reading and referred to the various committees.

(The motion prevailed.)

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. Should not all of these greetings have been extended at the semiofficial meeting?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We can not tell them they can not come in now.

Comrade BENGOUGH. While I am on my feet, Commander in Chief, I want to say that I think that this encampment, at our age, the business ought not to be interrupted by any greetings whatever; that the greetings should all be extended at the semiofficial meeting. I therefore make a motion to test the feeling and sense of this encampment. I move you, not out of any lack of consideration for the splendid allied organizations, that this encampment be not disturbed by any greetings. [Cries of "No."] It has been my experience that a very large number of the comrades of this encampment do not stay in it. They do not stay to attend the meeting after the first day.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. When I was commander in chief I instituted that special meeting for the reception of the greetings of all these organizations. It went for a year or two and we dropped back into the old habit. I am frank to say, sir, that with added years I have changed my mind. A distinguished American statesman once said that "a man is a damned fool who didn't know more to-morrow than he did to-day." I for one, sir, would not for any consideration whatever have those boys turned away from our door in 1920. [Great applause.] Open the doors and show them in.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the motion that we do away with our custom of permitting greetings to be extended by the allied organizations in this encampment. All in favor of the motion will say "aye." Contrary, "no." The motion is lost. The officer of the day will conduct the Sons of Veterans to the stage at once.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as a delegation from the Sons of Veterans composed of Past Commanders in Chief E. R. Campbell, of Washington, D. C., A. E. B. Stephens, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and N. J. McGuire, of Indianapolis, Ind., was escorted to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I have the pleasure of introducing to you a delegation from our own boys, the Sons of Veterans. Comrades, salute. (Salute given.) I have the pleasure of introducing to you Past Commander in Chief Campbell, of the Sons of Veterans, who will now address you.

E. R. CAMPBELL, of Washington, D. C. Comrades, for by that sacred appellation I am privileged to address you, I have been detailed by the commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans to bring a committee of greetings from that organization to our parent organization, and it is not presumed that the chairman of the committee will presume to make a speech. But we have with us Past Com-



mander in Chief Ambrose E. Burnside Stephens, M. C., from Ohio, who will give you the greetings for the committee. My comrades, as the son of a veteran to the veterans, I greet you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I have the pleasure of introducing to you Brother Stephens. He is from the United States of Ohio. [Applause.]

A. E. B. STEVENS, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Commander in Chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I am sure it is a great pleasure to be one of the members of the committee to bring to this great body the greetings of your sons, the Sons of Veterans of the United States. We have learned many lessons from you. We have listened to the stories of the Civil War. We have read from the pages of history the work that you boys did in 1861–1865, and through these lessons, these teachings to us when we were trotted upon your knees, has been brought to us that spirit of patriotism that teaches us to go along in the footprints that you have left and are leaving in the sands of time. [Applause.]

We have been with you on all the battle fields of the Civil War. We have been with you at Shiloh and in the Mississippi campaign. We have been with you all through the Battle of the Wilderness and at Gettysburg. We have heard all the details of your great service, and I want to say to the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, from you and your services have sprung many patriotic organizations that were organized not for selfishness nor for private gains, but to do everything in their power to help the Grand Army of the Republic, their widows, and their orphans. This work we have been engaged in for many years, and I want to bring to you from the Sons of Veterans of the United States their very heartiest greeting and the love that they have for you. They will always cherish your memory as long as the grand old Stars and Stripes float upon this Republic. [Applause.]

There is something for us to do. You have led the way, my comrades, and it is up to this younger generation to see that we still live and still enjoy the blessings and the freedom that is given to us by our great Constitution. I want to say that it will be our work in the future to know and to build upon the great teachings and the great principles that our Constitution gives. In that respect I want to say that we are all in the Sons of Veterans for America first. [Applause.] I don't want anyone to be afraid but that we will carry out all the principles that you have been teaching since you preserved for us this great Republic.

Had it not been for your services, had it not been for your patriotism, had it not been for the fact that you shouldered a musket in 1861 and went out to fight to preserve the Constitution and to keep for us this Republic undivided—you saved for us our Union, and with the help of all of the patriotic citizens of this Government we hope to preserve this Union for time immemorial. [Applause.]

I will not take up your time, but again will say that from the hearts of the boys that you are leaving behind comes that great spirit, that great feeling of love and affection. I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Past Commander in Chief of the Sons of Veterans McGuire. I want you to look at him anyway. He is a



good deal like Past Commander in Chief Stephens. They both part their hair in the middle.

N. J. McGUIRE, of Indianapolis, Ind. God bless you, veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Sons of Veterans take their inspiration and their organization from your doings, and history has shown that there is work enough for all of us to help in the great patriotic questions of the Nation that are presenting themselves to-day. I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Without giving him any notice, I am going to call on one of the old wheel horses of the Grand Army, Comrade Keifer, of Ohio, to respond to these greetings.

Comrade J. WARREN KEIFER, of Ohio. Business requires brevity. We welcome this presentation. We acknowledge the truth of what these distinguished gentlemen have told you who come from the Sons of Veterans. We want to have it understood that the great Grand Army of the Republic, collectively and individually, thank them for the great lessons of patriotism they are carrying down to posterity. I dare not make a speech. I want it still understood, as I said some years ago, that the Grand Army as it may get thinner must still have vested in it individually the right to tell the great stories of valor, personal achievement, and all that took place in the Civil War. We have no proclamation, as happened once in the history of the world, to the people behind, that they must believe, but they have gotten so they believe the old soldier. When Alexander the Great discharged his 10,000 Macedonians to go back to their own country he charged them to go there and tell all the great stories of the war and to magnify them as much as they pleased. And then he was not satisfied. He issued a proclamation to the home people in Macedonia requiring them to believe all the stories. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am going to ask the adjutant general to announce the committees now, that those who are on the committees may know what committee they are on and get together and be ready to perform their duty. Let us have order.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. Before reading the list of committees I am requested to say that only 14 of the departments have reported the number of comrades that will take the automobile ride, and they are very anxious to have this reported in before noon. [Reading:]

#### COMMITTEES.

On quartermaster general's report:

Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.

Comrade Frank R. Chase, of Michigan.

Comrade Edwin N. Armstrong, of Illinois.

On reports of other officers:

Comrade R. W. McBride, of Indiana.

Comrade Lewis S. Pilcher, of New York.

Comrade Philip A. Nordell, of Massachusetts.

Comrade A. M. Trimble, of Nebraska.

Comrade C. H. William Ruhe, of Pennsylvania.

Greetings to Army Nurses:

Comrade George B. Loud, of New York.

Comrade John A. Barr, of Alabama.

Comrade Marshall S. Crawford, of Colorado and Wyoming.

## Greetings to Woman's Relief Corps :

Past Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams, of Nebraska.

Comrade Samuel Fallows, of Illinois.

Comrade LeVant Dodge, of Kentucky.

## Greetings to Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic :

Comrade Wilbur F. Henry, of Missouri.

Comrade William James, of Florida.

Comrade Joseph A. Walter, of Kansas.

## Greetings to Daughters of Veterans :

Past Commander in Chief S. R. Van Sant, of Minnesota.

Comrade Edwin C. Milliken, of Maine.

Comrade John M. Adams, of Ohio.

## Greetings to Sons of Veterans :

Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.

Past Commander in Chief David J. Palmer, of Iowa.

Comrade Edwin N. Armstrong, of Illinois.

## Greetings to Sons of Veterans Auxiliary :

Past Commander in Chief John R. King, of Maryland.

Comrade D. L. Morgan, of Vermont.

Comrade Enos F. Hann, of New Jersey.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I beg for a moment. I hold in my hand a telegram which I have drawn up to bring a momentary presence of joy to the heart of a dying comrade, past commander of the department of the Potomac and past junior vice commander in chief of this organization. Comrade Charles C. Royce is near the open door that leads to the Other World. I called upon him just before I left Washington and told him that when I got back I would come and see him again and give him in detail all the gossip and interesting things that I could remember about this encampment. His response was a gentle pressure of the hand, and the words came out slow, "Oh, Jim," he says, "when you get back I won't be here." He will never leave his apartment until we carry him over to Arlington. And because I am afraid that he will not be there in life when I get back to Washington I have drawn up this telegram, Commander in Chief, which I believe the encampment will adopt and which you, as commander in chief, will be glad to sign and put on the wire. [Reading:]

CHARLES C. ROYCE,

*The Cairo, Washington, D. C.:*

Your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic assembled in their fifty-fourth national encampment are deeply pained at your absence, enforced as it is by your physical disability, and I am directed to convey to you their heartfelt sympathy in your affliction. We pray that you may be restored to health, but if God's will be different and you are near your final muster out from earthly scenes, we assure you that you leave with us the memory of a comrade who did his whole duty as a patriot in time of war and who has in all the years since exemplified the best type of American citizenship.

I beg leave to offer that.

Comrade J. H. CROWDER, of Illinois. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the telegram read that is to be sent to Comrade Royce, who lies upon his deathbed at Washington. This message may be a consolation to him as he closes his eyes upon the scenes of this world. It has been moved and seconded that this be sent. All in favor of the motion will say "aye." There is no use of calling for the contrary.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. It has become the custom of the several departments to select a member of the committee on resolutions and



a member of the council of administration. A number of departments have not yet reported, and I want to ask you that you be very careful in the spelling of names. The following departments have failed to report their selections. (Reading a list of departments.) The following departments have failed to report the number of representatives that desire to go on the automobile ride. (Reading the list of departments.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We are going to have this superstructure or this miserable platform torn down during the recess. You people that are sitting close by won't have to break your necks to see the speaker. We will do our business from the regular stage. If there is nothing else just at this moment, the committee on rules and regulations are ready to report. Give them your attention now, comrades.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON (reading):

To the COMMANDER IN CHIEF AND COMRADES:

The committee on rules and regulations would respectfully submit:

That at the national encampment held at Columbus, Ohio, one year ago the following amendment to section 4, Article IV, Chapter II, of the Rules and Regulations was offered by the Department of Missouri, and that owing to the character of the proposed amendment and lack of time for its proper consideration action thereon was continued until this encampment.

The amendment as proposed is in words and figures as follows:

*Resolved*, That section 4, Article IV, Chapter II, of the Rules and Regulations be amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 4. Members of disbanded posts who were in good standing at the time of such dissolution, upon written application to the assistant adjutant general of the department, shall receive from him transfer cards, which shall have full force, or at the option of the applicant his name shall be entered upon a roll to be kept by the assistant adjutant general and known as a Roll of Comrades at Large. Comrades so enrolled shall pay dues semiannually direct to the assistant adjutant general of 50 cents each, payable on the 1st days of January and July of each year. The department encampment shall have the right to increase the amount of such dues at any meeting by resolution duly adopted.

"If the dues of any comrade at large shall remain unpaid for more than 30 days after the same is due, he shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless his dues are paid within 10 days from the date of such notice he will stand suspended from the Grand Army of the Republic until all arrearages are paid. Any comrade at large whose dues remain unpaid for more than one year after the same are due shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless all arrearages are paid within 30 days from the date of such notice he will be dropped from the roll and no longer be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that he can only be restored by making a written application to be approved by the department commander and the payment of one year's dues."

Under the rules and regulations as they now stand, upon the dissolution of a post a member of such post may become a member of some other post. The amendment, if adopted, will permit him to become a member at large upon the rolls of the assistant adjutant general, to whom his dues will be paid.

The committee are of the opinion that the integrity of the posts ought to be maintained so far as possible and that every member of a disbanded post ought to, if possible, become a member of some other post, but, recognizing the fact that there are some counties in the respective departments in which there are or soon will be no posts, the committee recommend that between the word "applicant" and the word "his" on the sixth line of said proposed amendment there shall be inserted the following, to wit:

"Providing there is no post in the county in which such member of a disbanded post resides."

Your committee also recommend that at the end of said proposed amendment there be added the following words, to wit:



"The provisions of this section shall apply to all comrades who have been or shall hereafter be mustered in by the commander in chief or a department commander, as provided in section 9 of Article II of Chapter II."

With the above amendments to the proposed amendment your committee are of the opinion that it should be adopted, and so recommend.

Respectfully submitted.

C. G. BURTON.  
JNO. R. KING.  
OSCAR A. JAMES.  
J. E. GANDY.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. This amendment, if adopted, destroys the unit of the organization, the post. If a man wants to belong to the Grand Army, let him affiliate with a post where he can do some good. These men who join through the assistant adjutant general and become a Grand Army man at large, what post will they ever visit? The great State of Missouri submits this amendment. Now, St. Louis is on the Mississippi River, and any comrade in the State of Missouri will find it as far to go to the assistant adjutant general's office as he will to go to any neighboring post. When a post disbands let him affiliate with some other post. Let him take up the active work of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that work is in the post. Destroy the post and I'll tell you the whole organization will go to pieces.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Until there is a motion to adopt or reject the report, your discussion is out of order.

Comrade SAMUEL P. TOWN, of Pennsylvania. I move the adoption of the report.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I rose for the purpose of moving the adoption of the report of the committee, and I am especially for it as amended. Now, Commander in Chief, I have studied that question a good deal, and drew that proposed amendment and presented it to our department encampment. After doing so it was unanimously adopted by the department encampment. Discussing the matter since the last encampment, I have come to the conclusion and observed that it was weak in those very points that have been covered by the committee on rules and regulations. I am heartily in favor of the amendment to that section of our rules and regulations as amended by the committee on rules and regulations. I hope it will be adopted as they have presented it.

Comrade JOSEPH A. WALTER, of Kansas. Since I have been department commander of the Department of Kansas I find that we are getting old. I appointed a man my adjutant who is 76 years old. I have studied, like Comrade Henry, this proposed amendment, and I find it is weak. I imagine in the Department of Washington there may be a case of that kind. But I find that our assistant adjutant general is overworked now. When I came to Indianapolis to make my reservation I went to the assistant adjutant general of the Department of Indiana, Comrade Ball. He is an efficient man. He has a stenographer. In Kansas we can not afford a stenographer unless we raise our per capita tax. As I say, our assistant adjutant general is 76 years old and next year will be older, and to put this burden on that office is not right. A member at large will forget to send in his per capita tax, and it will be up to the assistant adjutant general to send him a dun. I am opposed to that motion unless it is provided that it shall only apply to States that have no posts in the county.



Comrade THOMAS E. BLANCHARD, of California and Nevada. I am heartily in favor of the report of the committee. It in nowise interferes with the operation of the posts or the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic. This only applies to those comrades who can not join other posts, and if that is not carried it leaves hundreds or perhaps thousands of comrades who desire to remain comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic who are entirely cut out and become virtually discharged members without any home at all. This, as I understand it, provides only for such comrades as can not join other posts, that they may be entitled to the benefit of the Grand Army of the Republic. I think the report of the committee covers the ground.

Comrade C. A. B. Fox, of South Dakota. I wish to introduce a substitute motion, which I would like to have the adjutant general read. (Bringing the same to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. A substitute motion is in order.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. We are going to lose posts instead of saving them. We are going to lose members of the Grand Army by that.

Comrade HARMON BROSS, of Nebraska, Commander, "Corporal" Tanner, as we all call him out in Nebraska, has made my point clear, that we are going to lose posts instead of saving members of the Grand Army. We have posts in Nebraska that I am keeping on the roll because there is one man that takes care of that post. Now, if you adopt this rule, you will lose next year 12 or 15 posts in the State of Nebraska that have been taken care of. It would be a bad thing for the department and the national organization.

Comrade ORTON S. CLARK, of Minnesota. I have about all I can attend to. I haven't any stenographer, and to add this to my work as assistant adjutant general it will be almost impossible to attend to it. It won't amount to shucks. A man that does belong to a post that is abandoned or has surrendered its charter will never apply to the assistant adjutant general to be a member at large, and the adoption of this resolution won't amount to shucks.

Comrade GEORGE T. LEECH, of Maryland. I want to say, Commander in Chief and comrades, that I am heartily in favor of the spirit of the resolution. I believe that something ought to be done for our comrades who are scattered throughout the different States. In our State we have nearly 2,000 comrades that ought to be in the Grand Army of the Republic that can not reach posts directly. They are in several counties. I understand the pressure that is put upon the assistant adjutant general, but I think if this resolution was so worded that the assistant adjutant general would have the power to assign these parties to the different posts and leave the post adjutants to take care of them, I think we can make it a success. We want those comrades in our Grand Army. We are anxious to get them in there, and the way to get them in there is by the wisdom of this body, and I think it ought to be done in some way. I know it will put a great pressure on the assistant adjutant general, but let him assign it to different posts and let the adjutants of those posts take care of it.

Comrade C. A. B. Fox, of South Dakota. I have the floor, comrades, and I will now read this substitute.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. He has offered a substitute.  
Comrade Fox (reading) :

Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL and COMRADES OF THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT :

We desire to say that the resolution from the Department of Missouri presented at the Fifty-third National Encampment at Columbus, Ohio, and by that encampment referred to the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, proposing to amend the rules and regulations under Chapter II, Article V, section 4, of the Rules and Regulations, is too cumbersome, and not far reaching as it should be; therefore we offer the following as a substitute to this resolution :

"WHEREAS, The comrades are falling out by old Time's scythe in vast numbers, be it therefore

"*Resolved*, That any post in good standing in their department may mail to any comrade or old soldier residing within the department a copy of the obligation, together with a copy of an application for membership, both to be signed in ink by the comrade and returned to the post adjutant together with an affidavit stating his service in the Army between 1861 and 1865, or Navy. Also inclosing the sum of \$1 as an application fee. Thereupon the adjutant shall read the application, together with the obligation as signed, and move the suspensions of the rules and that the comrades be voted upon by ballot. Should this ballot be clear, the adjutant will immediately notify the comrade by mail of his being accepted as a member of the post and place his name upon the post muster rolls as a member in good standing, and by the payment to that post of the sum of \$1 yearly he shall remain in good standing in the order and have full benefits of the order."

By C. A. B. Fox,  
*Post 17, Department of South Dakota.*

Commander and comrades, we have already in that State taken in nine comrades in that department. I hold their applications and the obligations, and the money is in the post treasury. They are members of the Grand Army to-day. One of them is here, who lived over 300 miles from our post. I think that is a good substitute. Comrades, do with it as you please.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the substitute offered.

Comrade C. T. MARSH, of Illinois. I move that the substitute resolution be laid on the table. (Seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the substitute offered be laid on the table. All in favor of the motion will say, "aye." Contrary, if any, "no." The ayes have it. The question is now upon the report of the committee.

Comrade W. A. WETHERBEE, of Massachusetts. I am heartily opposed to this resolution, for the reasons, first, that it imposes a great duty upon the assistant adjutants general of the several departments; second, that it would bring in a great many comrades who positively are not eligible to the Grand Army of the Republic. They may have been members dropped out, as this resolution which has been put here says "those who have been and those who ought to be." Some may be men who may have gone wrong since they have gone out. The assistant adjutant general knows nothing about their standing, and can not. There may be departments who may need this. If there are, they are in the Far West. I say, let them have it. But I arose to move an amendment that this action shall be optional with the departments and shall not take effect in any department until after it has been accepted by the department encampment in convention assembled.



Comrade JOSEPH A. WALTER, of Kansas. Second the amendment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Put your amendment in writing.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. May I say one word? I am assistant adjutant general of Missouri. I have been in the assistant adjutant general's office there since Tom B. Rodgers, whom everybody knew, passed away. Some one said that an adjutant general 75 years of age is having all the duties he can perform. I think the duties of the assistant adjutant general of Missouri are equal to any other department. I am 82 years of age, and I am glad to take that duty upon me that I may get some of the comrades back into the order that want to come there and wear the button instead of wearing it without having any right to do it. [Applause.]

Comrade W. S. TILTON, of Oklahoma. I wish to say in this connection that, in my judgment, any movement looking to the separation of members of the Grand Army of the Republic from some post of the Grand Army is a fatal error. [Applause.] With us in our Department of Oklahoma we have posts ranging in numerical strength from 100 men down to 3 or 4, and our only hope of securing additional strength in that department is to hitch up men not now connected with any post to some post and establish a fraternity of relationship between those outsiders and the members of the posts who love those outsiders and want to see them become members of the Grand Army of the Republic and placed in line to receive a soldier's burial when they pass away. By all means, let us keep up the posts.

Comrade C. A. HUSTON, of Oregon. I just beg a moment of this convention. It is well told that a great majority come from the Middle West and the East. But, gentlemen, stop one minute and think that this great country is composed of parts that need your consideration, though they are not in the majority. I live in the State of Oregon. We have a post numbering 110 and have an average attendance of 45, meeting twice a month. In that State a large number——

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. When the comrade stands under the gallery the echo is such that we can not understand.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have got to be brief in this discussion. You may talk here all day.

Comrade H. H. SPAYD, of Pennsylvania. I move the previous question. The point is this, we will stay here all day, and it is an unimportant question to most of us. I move the previous question without further discussion.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. It is not in order. He broke in on the comrade who has the floor.

Comrade HUSTON. How could that be until I am off the floor?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Finish your talk, but be brief.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I rise to a question of information.

Comrade HUSTON. You have the majority vote here. Under those circumstances this change in the order is not necessary, but as the comrade from Maryland said, there are hundreds of men out on the Pacific coast who are not near any post. Don't we as comrades owe the same obligation to them that we do to the others? We should

help those in the West. Give those outsiders some consideration, notwithstanding you have this majority vote.

Comrade SPAYD. I again repeat the point of order, and move the previous question.

Comrade COLE. I want to ask for information. I want to ask the chairman of the committee a question. A comrade insists it is the duty of a post to care for the sick and bury the dead. These men will not belong to any post. They can not attend a department encampment. They can not go to a national encampment. What benefit are they going to derive from the Grand Army of the Republic?

Comrade SAMUEL D. WEBSTER, of Missouri. The right to wear the bronze button.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. The comrade has asked me a question. I presume that if a comrade was so unfortunate as to die 150 or 200 miles away from other comrades that he would have to be buried by some church organization and not by the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. Now, just one word before the comrade moves the previous question. Personally your committee has no pride of opinion. In the East and the Middle West there is a post in every county, but in the great States of Washington and Oregon and Wyoming and Montana there are many counties in which there is no post, and the enactment of this change will not throw any burden upon my dearly beloved comrade of Massachusetts or the assistant adjutants general of many of the departments, especially those in the East and the Middle West. But in the great West our adjutants general are willing to assume the increased burden which will afford an opportunity to many a comrade to remain a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic until he shall have passed over the Divide. And now, Commander, I move the previous question.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The previous question is on the recommendation of the committee to adopt the resolution as amended. All who favor that question will say, "aye." Contrary, "no." The ayes have it.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. A point of order. My point of order is this: The rules and regulations require that all amendments shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote. Is the commander in chief of the opinion that that was adopted by a two-thirds vote?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. He is.

Comrade COLE. Very well. That settles it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, it is a quarter past 12. Shall we recess?

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. The committee on rules and regulations have directed me to present this matter to this encampment. We have been interviewed by a great many comrades who ask that the response of the senior vice commander to the post commander in the closing ceremonies, which response ends "One country and one flag," shall be amended so as to be "One country, one language, and one flag." [Applause.] Now, wait, comrades. Under the rules and regulations such a proposed amendment to the ritual would have to be indorsed by some department and published



in a general order. Therefore the committee have been asked by a great many comrades to ask for unanimous consent for the suspension for the time being of Article XVI. Article XVI is in regard to alterations and amendments and provides that amendments and alterations shall be made in the manner I have designated. But at the conclusion of that section are these words, "but any section herein may be suspended for the time being at any annual meeting of the national encampment by a unanimous vote." If any one comrade objects, that is the end of it. But in obedience to the request of a great many comrades I am directed by your committee on rules and regulations to ask unanimous consent for the suspension of that section for the time being in order that we may move that the response may be amended by making it read, "One country, one language, and one flag." I ask unanimous consent.

Comrade ERNEST C. STAHL, of New Jersey. Commander in Chief and comrades, when 17 years old I came across the waters. When I was 18 the war broke out. I fought——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You are entirely out of order.

Comrade STAHL. I move you, sir, that we have in this great order of ours but one language, one flag, and one country.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Is unanimous consent granted, as the chairman of the committee requests?

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania. I offer a motion that unanimous consent be given as the committee has asked for.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor of this request that unanimous consent be granted say "aye." The motion is carried.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Now, comrades, I am directed to move that the ritual be amended so that the response of the senior vice commander shall be "One country, one language, and one flag."

Comrade JOHN M. SNYDER, of Illinois. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is that the response of the senior vice commander in the post shall be "One country, one language, and one flag." All who favor the motion will say "aye." Contrary, if any, "no." The motion prevails.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. What are we to do with resolutions? There has been no arrangement made about resolutions.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Pass them up to the adjutant general. I will announce the chairman of the committee on resolutions immediately after we convene this afternoon.

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. I move that we take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is not debatable. A motion to adjourn until 2 o'clock is before you.

Comrade J. H. CROWDER, of Illinois. I was about to propose a recess until 2 o'clock.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is better; a recess.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I would like to ask a question. Was the amendment to the report of the committee on rules and regulations adopted? The previous question was moved.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I understand. I overlooked that. Just wait a minute, now. The question was carried on the taking

up of the previous question, but this question itself was not voted on; the main question was not voted on. All who favor it will say "aye," contrary "no." It has been adopted. There is a motion to adjourn until 2 o'clock, which is not debatable.

Comrade JAMES R. Goss, of Montana. I want to say that you are passing upon a question that is of just as much importance to us in the rear as it is to those in the front, and we don't know what you are talking about.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will have a different arrangement this afternoon.

(Announcements of the meeting places of various committees were then made.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All who favor the motion to recess until 2 o'clock will say "aye."

(The motion prevailed, and at 12.20 p. m. the encampment took a recess until 2 p. m.)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1920—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The encampment was called to order at 2.10 p. m. by the commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Let the encampment be in order. Let us have quiet, comrades, so we can get down to business. Please do your visiting some other time. I want, first, to announce the committee on resolutions. Is Asst. Adjt. Gen. Matthews in the audience? Take the adjutant general's place until he arrives. I will ask Comrade McElroy to act in his place and read the names of the committee on resolutions, so that you may know who is on that committee.

(Comrade John McElroy, of Potomac, as acting adjutant general, then read the following:)

*Committee on resolutions.*

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	Henry M. Austin.....	Bedford City, Va.
Arizona.....	Warren E. Day.....	Prescott.
Arkansas.....	Horace Wyman.....	Bentonville.
California and Nevada.....	D. W. Hasson.....	Buena Park.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	William Butler.....	Longmont, Colo.
Connecticut.....	David W. Sharpe.....	New Haven.
Delaware.....	Wm. A. Reilly.....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	A. C. Shaffer.....	Lakeland.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	J. C. Wade.....	Cornelia, Ga.
Idaho.....	M. W. Wood.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	W. F. Calhoun.....	Decatur.
Indiana.....	Mahlon D. Butler.....	Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	David J. Palmer.....	Washington.
Kansas.....	George Plumb.....	Emporia.
Kentucky.....	LeVant Dodge.....	Berea.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	O. Pilman.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Edward A. Butler.....	Rockland.
Maryland.....	George Prechtel.....	Upperco.
Massachusetts.....	Francis E. Mole.....	Adams.
Michigan.....	Oscar A. Janes.....	Detroit.



*Committee on resolutions—Continued.*

Department.	Name.	Address.
Minnesota.....	Levi Longfellow.....	Minneapolis.
Missouri.....	Chas. G. Burton.....	Portland, Oreg.
Montana.....	James R. Goss.....	Billings.
Nebraska.....	Thomas J. Majors.....	Peru.
New Hampshire.....	J. C. Lewis.....	Milford.
New Jersey.....	Frank O. Cole.....	Jersey City.
New Mexico.....	John G. Caldwell.....	Albuquerque.
New York.....	Lewis S. Pilcher.....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	James McCormick.....	Devil's Lake.
Ohio.....	Thomas R. Shinn.....	Ashland.
Oklahoma.....	L. C. Coffin.....	Elgin.
Oregon.....	J. E. Hall.....	Portland.
Pennsylvania.....	L. F. Arensberg.....	Uniontown.
Potomac.....	George H. Slaybaugh...	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	John M. Burdick.....	Riverpoint.
South Dakota.....	T. T. Snow.....	Sioux Falls.
Tennessee.....	John C. Murdough.....	Knoxville.
Texas.....	A. Rockhold.....	Dallas.
Utah.....	Wm. M. Bostaph.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	John H. Amidon.....	Waterville.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	H. W. House.....	Portsmouth, Va.
Washington and Alaska.....	James H. Chase.....	Cashmere.
West Virginia.....	H. S. White.....	Matewan.
Wisconsin.....	F. D. Stannard.....	Greenbush.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will appoint as chairman of that committee Lewis S. Pilcher, of New York, and I will ask Comrade Pilcher to call his committee on resolutions together as early as possible, that we may have the report later on in the day.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I believe this committee must be appointed by the encampment. I therefore move you that these nominations as made by the departments be confirmed and they stand as the committee on resolutions.

(The motion prevailed.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I recognize Comrade Adams, who has to leave very soon. He wants to make a report on a committee that was appointed a year ago.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. Your commander in chief has explained the appointment of this committee. Their report consists as follows [reading]:

Your committee, to whom was referred the advisability of a federation by the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, American Legion, and other patriotic societies, have had the same under consideration and report as follows:

*Resolved*, That this society shall be known as the Federated Patriotic Societies of the United States of America, and that the objects and purposes of this society shall be to promote the spirit of patriotism and loyalty to our country and its institutions; to hold in sacred memory the lives of those who paid the supreme sacrifice, and to unite the Great War and patriotic societies of this country in the observance of our Memorial Day exercises on May 30 of each year. Also to unite in appropriate exercises for the celebration of our national holidays, to create a true American spirit throughout the country, to recognize the Constitution of the United States as the supreme law of the land, and to inculcate a strict obedience of law and order; to stand firmly against bolshevism, I. W. W'ism, anarchy, sedition, and all other acts that are designed to disrupt our Government and disturb our economic, social, and commercial

relations. An association that will take a united stand upon the broad grounds of America for Americans, demanding that there shall be but one flag in this country and that flag shall be the American Flag. An organization that will demand the prosecution of any and all persons who may attempt to destroy the resources of our country, to burn our mills and factories, to shut down our mines, hoard supplies, disrupt transportation facilities, or to do any act that will interfere with the public good; to concentrate our societies into a concrete body that will protect our State and National Governments against the acts of all disloyal persons from within or without; to say to all conspirators: 'You must depart from this fair land of ours.' To demand loyalty, competency, and integrity from all those who govern. An organization that will not forget the sacrifices of our comrades of all our wars, remembering the wounded, and caring for the widow and orphan. To foster and perpetuate the spirit of 100 per cent Americanism and combat autocracy in all its forms and put forth the fact that freedom, justice, and equality are the true essentials of government of the people, by the people, and for the people."

We recommend the appointment of an advisory committee of three, one from each organization, to assist in carrying out these resolutions.

C. E. ADAMS,  
WASHINGTON GARDNER,  
ELL TORRANCE,  
W. S. MATTHEWS,  
WILFRED A. WETHERBEE,

*Committee, Grand Army of the Republic.*

THOS. J. CUNNINGHAM,

*Quartermaster General for the United Spanish War Veterans.*

T. VICTOR KEENE,

*Member National Executive Committee, the American*

*Legion, by appointment of the National Commander.*

I move the adoption of the resolution and the report.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. What is the recommendation of the committee, do we amalgamate or not?

Past Commander in Chief ADAMS. No, sir. No amalgamation about it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved that the report of the committee be adopted. Do I hear a second?

(The motion was seconded.)

Comrade GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, of Potomac. As I understand the report as read, it states: "The Grand Army, the Spanish War Veterans, the American Legion, and other patriotic organizations." How much does that "other organizations" take in? I would like to have that explained.

Past Commander in Chief ADAMS. "And all other patriotic societies," meaning that any society—in order to explain—I suppose it was explicit enough and I believe you so understand it—that this is not in any manner whatever an amalgamation of any of these war societies. Each one of them maintain their separate and distinct organization. This is simply a resolution to unite the mighty forces of this country, which I believe to be these patriotic societies, in carrying out the principles for which you fought for four long years. That is all there is to it, gentlemen.

Comrade A. W. HASTIE, of Washington and Alaska. This is a wedge. They don't dare to talk assimilation to us. They have tried it for years. Why, the Mexican War veterans wanted to join, and the other organizations, the War of 1812. Then came the Spanish American War veterans, splendid fellows. I like them, but they wanted to join. They wanted to come in. And now you have the World War, and then you have everybody, according to this. They are not specified. It is the G. A. R. they are after;



it is the name and membership of the G. A. R.; and it is contrary to it. [Cries of "No."] You know better. I understand it exactly. The Masons that you belong to, the Odd Fellows that you belong to, are they appointing committees like this and bound by what they say? Never. But they come into the Grand Army; they want to take possession of you. That is a fact. We have had to deal with them right along. I have been the assistant adjutant general of the Department of Washington and Alaska for a number of years, and I know they are always trying to get in. Now, then, you are in danger. You don't understand it. You are voting without discussion. Let it be discussed some. The way I understand it, it is to appoint a committee by which you will be bound. It came up at Portland. Where is Somers? He went against it tooth and nail. We went against it in all of the organizations in Washington. Your posts have not acted upon this. They don't know what you are going to do, and you will go back to them. If I should go back to that 2,000 there they will repudiate me. I am satisfied they will, and I shall vote against this measure. It is dangerous. Keep out of it.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. Commander, I move to amend the resolution reported by the committee by adding these words: "*Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed or held as authorizing any change whatever in the organization or existence of the Grand Army of the Republic"; and on that just one moment. We are no longer young. Time has laid its hands pretty heavily on some of us, and if we sink the individuality of the Grand Army unit with these 4,000,000 veterans of the American Legion, magnificently as they work; with the Spanish American War Veterans, splendidly as they worked in their time; it won't be long until the Grand Army of the Republic will be a thing of the past in power and recognition and example, and I for one want to see the Grand Army of the Republic go along independently on its own feet until in the course of time we shall have closed its eyes in death. And it is our organization that I want to keep, and I don't want any possible question after we have adjourned about the attitude of the Grand Army of the Republic in this Nation. I want it to stand. There is a bare possibility that I may have something to do with the Grand Army of the Republic in the next year. [Applause.] And if I do, I will loyally obey every order of this encampment, but I don't want this encampment to put a padlock on my lips and tie my hands and insist that I shall say that we are only subordinate to three separate organizations. For that reason I want that amendment to the resolution adopted, and I so move.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. Commander in Chief, my comrade Ketcham is usually right. If he is right in his data he is always right, but he is clear off in his data here. He speaks from the standpoint of federation. There is no federation in this proposed arrangement. There is no alliance in the sense of uniformity of action save from a patriotic point of view. Now, I think I am as jealous as any man here of the good name and influence, the glory in the past, the possible future of the Grand Army of the Republic. Now, there were present at this committee meeting representatives officially designated from the Spanish War Veterans and



from the American Legion. If you could have heard the tribute that they paid to the Grand Army for what it has done since the Civil War as well as during that conflict, if you could have heard the high esteem in which both bodies hold this organization, you would not be fearful of what might be done. Now, if you notice this, primarily it looks after Memorial Day and Memorial Sunday. In my own town, for example—not a large place—the American Legion was out in uniform. They took their places in an orderly manner. They had their meeting preliminary with the Grand Army committees and arranged with the Spanish American War Veterans. It had the united efforts from a patriotic standpoint of these three orders that fought under the Flag. Is there anything wrong about that? [Cries of "Yes."] Is there anything wrong about these young men coming up and saying, "We will march with you. We will help to preserve this Memorial Day even after you are gone"? I saw them put the flag over the graves of their own members. Any objection to that?

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in Chief, I desire to ask the comrade a question. Conceding that all you say is true, what objection have you to Comrade Ketcham's amendment?

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. I am not through yet. Any objection to their going to the cemetery on the same day and joining in the same service, calling public attention of childhood and youth, manhood and age, to this greatest patriotic day in all the calendar? Any objection to that?

Now what is the other? It is to stand firm and solid against every wind that blows, for the integrity of the United States of America against the world. [Applause.] Have you any objection to the Spanish War Veterans standing side by side with us against these insidious Bolsheviks that are seeking to undermine this country? Have you any objection to the million of American Legion men standing unitedly with us in our declining years and feeling the burden shift somewhat from our feeble shoulders and limbs, with a consciousness that these men will be here when we are gone to guard the citadel which we fought to uphold? Any objection to that? If there is not, then there can be no objection to the resolution as presented.

I have no objection to Comrade Ketcham's putting that in. It don't do any good. It won't do any harm. But if you want it in, put it there. After careful consideration of this whole subject we believe that it will not minimize the Grand Army save as death minimizes it; that it will not destroy our influence save as our gradually decreasing numbers destroy our power; that it will not render less lustrous our glorious past; and so I hope the resolution will pass. If Ketcham thinks he will feel easier after we have elected him commander in chief to have that seal of protection, I am perfectly willing he should have it.

Comrade KETCHAM. I am grateful to my distinguished friend and comrade for the admission that I am sometimes right, and this is one of the times when I am altogether right. Now listen: "Your committee, to whom was referred the advisability"—of what? "Of a Federation by the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish



War Veterans, American Legion, and other patriotic societies \* \* \* report as follows: *Resolved*, That this society"—What society? A society composed of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Spanish War Veterans, and the American Legion—"shall be known as the Federated Patriotic Societies of the United States of America \* \* \*. We recommend the appointment of an advisory committee of three, one from each organization, to assist in carrying out these resolutions." That is the federation of which the Grand Army is one in three. Now, I have not raised an objection to the patriotic purposes proclaimed here. All that I have done is to suggest that the Grand Army of the Republic shall not be swallowed up. I have read and practiced law for a long time, and I have learned something about the use of language and what it means. I have not had the good fortune to be in Congress where the idea seems to be to conceal what is meant. [Laughter.] I am a lawyer whose object is to let it be known what I am trying to do, and all that I am trying to do by this supplement to this resolution is not to wipe out anything but to let it be assured that there will be a Grand Army of the Republic to-day, to-morrow, next week, and next year. [Applause.] I can get along without being commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. I don't want to, but I can. But this Nation can not get along without the patriotism of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. A question of privilege. My comrades say they can not understand what is going on, we have been moved back so far. I would like to ask that we may move our seats up into the vacant space near the platform.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. How many have you?

Comrade HENRY. There are about 20; something more than 20, perhaps, and they all want to hear. They have been asking me what you have been talking about.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We are doing the very best we can to make you hear.

Comrade HENRY. There is room enough in that vacant space there to allow us to bring our seats up near the platform.

Comrade C. A. HUSTON, of Oregon. Oregon is still back of them, and the only good we get out of this convention is a close look at our comrades' backs.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, comrades, let me tell you something. There has been a delegation of ladies from the Relief Corps standing for a long time outside while you were discussing this matter.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. Our comrades in the back part of this hall have been able to hear only one speech. That is Comrade Ketcham's.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That has been told us time and again. You can move your seats up here as soon as you can without too much confusion. The officer of the day will conduct the committee from the Relief Corps to the platform, and we will take this question up immediately afterwards.

Past Commander in Chief S. R. VAN SANT. The members of the committee to visit the Daughters of Veterans will meet me at the door immediately, Edwin C. Milliken, of Maine, and John M. Adams, of Ohio.

Comrade LEWIS S. PILCHER, of New York. The committee on resolutions, this is important, those departments in the rear of the room have the greater number of the members of this committee. There is only one from each one of these large departments that are right here. Now, the committee on resolutions will meet immediately after the close of the afternoon session at the Columbia Club. The Columbia Club is on the Circle, just to the right after you reach the Circle. Immediately after the close of the afternoon session the committee on resolutions will meet.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel while a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps, consisting of National President Mrs. Abbie Lynch, of Pennsylvania; Past National Presidents Mary L. Carr, of Colorado, and Geraldine E. Frisbie, of California; and Mrs. Daniel M. Hall, of Ohio, was escorted to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, let us have your attention now. I have the honor and, I assure you, the great pleasure of introducing to you the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Abbie Lynch, of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. ABBIE LYNCH, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, of Pittsburgh, Pa. Commander in Chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, we shall take but a very few minutes of your time. Our laws require us to bring to you at the end of the year an account of our work, and I will now read the report of the year's work of your auxiliary. [Reading:]

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, TO THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 20, 1920.*

DANIEL M. HALL,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: I have the pleasure of presenting to you a brief summary of the work accomplished by the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, for the year ending March 31, 1920.

*General summary to Mar. 31, 1920.*

Number of departments_____	36
Number of provisional departments_____	3
Number of corps_____	2, 274
Number of members_____	188, 368
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Amount expended for relief_____	\$31, 768. 78
Amount of cash turned over to posts_____	22, 538. 65
For relief other than money_____	58, 398. 46
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Total expended as above_____	\$112, 705. 89
For Memorial Day_____	1, 787. 62
For Southern Memorial Day_____	1, 000. 00
For Army nurses _____	1, 360. 00
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	4, 147. 62
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As above during the year_____	116, 853. 51
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Total expended for relief, Memorial Day, etc., from date of organization to Mar. 31, 1919_____	5, 070, 131. 85
Total expended for year ending Mar. 31, 1920_____	116, 853. 51
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	5, 186, 985. 36
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The national treasurer's report shows cash balances

Mar. 31, 1920:

In general fund	\$9, 586. 08	
In all other funds	17, 767. 34	
		\$27, 353. 42
Due from departments	96. 09	
Due from detached corps		
Salable supplies, valued at cost	9, 000. 00	
Invested in Liberty bonds	2, 000. 00	
		11, 096. 09
Total assets		38, 449. 51

Liabilities, none.

Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

ABBIE LYNCH, *National President.*

Commander in Chief, this report is submitted with the assurance that in the future, as in the past, our service is for you always, and it is because of our deep respect, our devotion to the principles for which you fought, that we have done this work. Our loyalty to you is assured.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to introduce to you Mrs. Mary L. Carr, past national president of the Relief Corps.

Mrs. MARY L. CARR, of Colorado. Commander in Chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have no speech to make. We expect our national president to do all the speechifying. But I want to congratulate you on having such officers at the door. We have been out there a little over a half an hour, and I was listening, catching a word once in a while. We tried to push past the guards and they presented a gun with a bayonet on it and we women began to shudder. But he says, "It is not loaded, the gun isn't." I said, "What would be the penalty if we should go in? Would we be shot at sunrise?" "No," he said, "I would wait till supper time." So I think that you have some very excellent officers at the door, and we are very glad to know that we were able to get in, and we are ready now to go on with another year's work just as we have for 37 years, which we have worked for you and with you. We have kept step with you, but sometimes we have got ahead, because you didn't go quite fast enough for us; and we have led the way in many things in making good citizens of our school children and in patriotic work. I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This is Mrs. Frisbie, past national president of the Relief Corps.

Mrs. GERALDINE E. FRISBIE, of California. Commander Hall and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, this is another proud moment for me to stand before this grand body of men. Once before I had this honor when I was national president in Chattanooga, Tenn., and I felt that one of the greatest honors, and always have since. And to-day, again, I have had this honor of coming before you. This is not the first time I have had the honor of meeting your commander in chief, Mr. Hall. He visited San Francisco. He left his snow-bound home and crossed the mountains and the snowy deserts to come to California, to our lofty mountains, our sun-kissed hills, our fertile valleys, and to reach that beautiful city by the Golden Gate, San Francisco, where he was met with open arms by the Grand Army of the Republic, and I may add the Woman's Relief Corps,

and we had the most glorious visit from him. There was a banquet given to him. What shall I say, you escorted me or I escorted you to that banquet? Any way to keep peace in the family. And we had the most delightful visit with him, and that visit has gone on the pages of history in the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps and I am sure all the allied organizations. We pledge again our loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic as long as a comrade lives. You are living lessons of patriotism, and we realize this, and to the last one we are going to be loyal and true to you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, there is another member of the Relief Corps here, who has never appeared before you, a home body who would not attempt to make a speech, but I am going to introduce you to the wife of the commander in chief, Mrs. Hall. [Applause.]

Chief of Staff GEORGE A. HOSLEY. Mrs. Hall, I have something to say to you. The comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic through me, whom they have delegated, have something to say to you. It has been customary, as you know, for years to present the commander in chief with something upon his going out of office, which is very commendable on the part of the comrades; and also at times when they have not forgotten themselves—it is always a mistake of the head, never of the heart, if they do—they have helped the wife out in her sorrow for the long absences of her husband. I know emphatically that you tell Commander in Chief Hall when to head in, but for the past year you have been unable to do that because the Grand Army of the Republic in a way has superseded you in authority. But we realize the long nights that you passed with anxiety, and of course there must be some anxious nights because the commander in chief, like the rest of us, is growing old. He don't like to admit it, but, of course, all of us are subject to more or less chances of sickness in our routes around the country. Therefore you must have been anxious. Now, we are going to help you hold him down for the coming year. And to help you I am going to present you on behalf of the comrades with a pendant and chain. That chain is to help chain him down at home so you will be able to become acquainted with him in the coming year. And if that chain is not enough we also present you with a chain of pearls, not an imitation but a chain of pearls; and that chain and this rope of pearls, both combined, ought to surely provide you with all the tools for holding that man at home where he belongs.

Mrs. HALL. I will try.

Chief of Staff HOSLEY. Commander Hall, I ask and call upon you to respond for Mrs. Hall.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Hosley, I have responded so much I have scattered my voice all over Indianapolis. I responded so many times the other night that I don't know but I am about talked out. But I want to say to Comrade Hosley and the good comrades who have been so kind to my better half as well as to myself, that I appreciate this more than we are able to tell. As I said the other night, these gifts that come to us in this world are not to be measured by their intrinsic value or by their beauty, but valued more on account of the love, on account of the affection, on account of the good will of those who donate them, and for that reason I can say



for my wife that she will appreciate these splendid gifts and will remember the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic as long as she lives. I heard her say the other night when the flowers were presented to her, that she loved flowers but she loved the old comrades better. [Applause.]

I just want to say to you that she comes from a family of four sisters, all of them of marriageable age, who waited until the war was over and then all of them married old soldiers. A patriotic family, people that love the country and love the old flag. From the bottom of my heart and in behalf of my wife, speaking for her, I thank you.

I am going to ask Comrade Washington Gardner to say a word in response to the Relief Corps.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. Pardon me, Commander in Chief, but I have not heard a word that has been said by the committee. But I do know from a wide field of observation throughout the country of the inestimable services the ladies of this organization have done and are doing in a patriotic way as well as for the Grand Army of the Republic. I have watched with increasing interest their approach to our numbers. We have been declining; they have been increasing. They have passed us almost a hundred thousand. That is, they are as many as we are and as many more. But they are not satisfied. They are continuing to grow. And they grow because they have the vital spirit of patriotism. We welcome you, Mrs. President and your associates, to the floor and to look these men in the face who come from every part of this great land, and every one of them shares your splendid efforts in behalf not only of the Grand Army of the Republic but of the great country which we all love.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel while the officer of the day escorted the delegation to the door.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question before us is on the amendment as offered by Comrade Ketcham.

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of Potomac. In this discussion we have lost sight of the main question. You are talking about something which we haven't heard. The question is, Should we go into this federation, what position, what weight, will we have? I can trust that the comrades who are going to enter in and form this federation will not overlook the example of the League of Nations and give us a subordinate place. We can trust them to make the Grand Army's place at the head of the whole federation. That is the only question that comes in here. The World War Veterans and the Veterans of Foreign Wars are now engaged in a great competition, which seems to have produced some bitterness, as to their membership. The World War Veterans have established posts and are striving for membership against the American Legion. I hear on all sides the story that the World War Veterans are in a struggle with the Veterans of Foreign Wars, which order has been growing considerably. It is a question which will become the stronger. They are going through what we did when we tried to build up the Grand Army of the Republic in our early days. There has been no question among them as to the rank of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am quite willing that Comrade Ketcham's amendment be adopted, and we can make it even more emphatic.



We recently fought out the Grand Army's precedence in the dedication of the Memorial Amphitheater at Arlington, and we obtained there our precedence, our domination, our absolute proprietary rights in Arlington in the dedication of the Memorial Amphitheater. This was entirely conceded to us by the members of the other veterans' organizations, and we went so far as to have our commander in chief, assisted by every other commander in chief, in dedicating that magnificent structure, use the Grand Army ritual in that dedication. That indicates something of the spirit of these young fellows toward us. I do not apprehend any trouble from them, and I do not apprehend any trouble, whatever these articles of federation may be, that we will not preserve our individuality as the Grand Army of the Republic; and everything that pertains to the subject——

Adj. Gen. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL. Why not say so?

Comrade McELROY. As I said before, I am willing to accept Comrade Ketcham's amendment and even make it stronger. Nothing can make it stronger than the feeling that these young men manifest to us on all public occasions when they come in and ask to be allowed to join with us on Memorial Day and other public celebrations. I have not heard of the slightest attempt to rob us of our precedence. While we were fighting over this dedication of the Memorial Amphitheater, our friends, the Confederate Veterans, came in and began to talk very largely about Arlington being too big to be under the charge of any one organization. The Spanish War Veterans and the World War Veterans stood by us as to our precedence, and I feel very confident that we will always have their cooperation and consideration.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. I believe in the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic that some Infinite God stepped into your ranks and directed you in the course that you should follow, and you have followed it. And to-day I want to say I would like to see the color of a man's hair that would attempt to step into your ranks and absorb your institution. There has been no thought on the part of any member of this committee that anything of that kind should be the case. It has absolutely been brought in here contrary to any idea that the committee had, amalgamating your great organization with any other in this land; and if Comrade Ketcham wants to define and designate and have you tell him exactly what to do with this resolution I have no objection under heaven, and I will second his motion and will ask that he himself write out the interpretation and present it to this encampment, and I will vote for it.

Now, just for one moment. These splendid men composing the Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion have been somewhat criticized here for their motives. Let me read you what they say to this encampment over their own signatures, and I think it will go further than the statement of any man. [Reading:]

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 21, 1920.*

To the GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC:

The representatives of the United Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion, appointed by their respective national commanders to represent their organizations at this encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, extend to you hearty greetings. At a joint meeting called by your past commander in chief, Col. C. E. Adams, a declaration of principles was unanimously adopted.



It was agreed that one of our Nation's most valuable institutions for the teaching of patriotism has been the Grand Army ceremonies for the soldier dead. We younger war veteran groups have esteemed it an honor to participate in these ceremonies in many localities, and it was believed that a wider recognition by all of the national veteran groups in a formal manner of the opportunity so afforded would result in mutual good and profit. The younger veteran groups desire the Grand Army to clearly and definitely understand that we recognize their seniority and hold the Grand Army, composed as it is of our fathers and grandfathers, in reverent affection. We hold it a splendid thing to be permitted to aid and help the Grand Army in its work during its life, and when the Grand Army shall be no more, to, with the appreciation that all men who have seen service feel for brothers in arms, continue the customs and honor the memory of the Grand Army as we will our own.

THOS. J. CUNNINGHAM,

*For the United Spanish War Veterans.*

T. VICTOR KEENE, M. D.,

*For the American Legion.*

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. The Grand Army of the Republic has one great deliberative body, the committee on resolutions. There are too many of us here, and our hearing is too feeble to hear all that is said from the platform; but if this entire matter is referred to the committee on resolutions and they thrash it out, then we can know, as we do not now know, what it is that we are going to act upon, and I therefore move you that the report of the committee and the suggested amendment and all the literature with reference to it be referred to the committee on resolutions for their action and report.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. Second that motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is that the report of Comrade Adams's committee be referred to the committee on resolutions for their consideration and report, and it has been seconded. Let us have the question. We will make nothing by further discussion. All who favor the motion will say "aye." Contrary, if any, "no." The motion prevails.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. The committee on the memorial of Comrade Bell is ready to report. Are you ready to hear it?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. A committee from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic have been in waiting almost half an hour.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. I sit down.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The officer of the day will escort the committee to the platform.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel while the officer of the day escorted the committee, composed of Mrs. Mary E. Tarbox, of Maine, and Mrs. Della R. Henry, of Missouri, to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I have the extreme pleasure of introducing to you at this time Mrs. Tarbox, past president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. MARY E. TARBOX, of Maine. Commander in Chief, past officers, and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, it is a great pleasure for me to-day to be requested by our national president, Sister Lillian Clark Cary, to come here to you and bring you the greetings, the cordial greetings, of 60,000 relatives of yours.

[Applause.]



We know that you are a very busy class of people at this time, as we are ourselves, but I am not going to take any time to make an address or anything, only to assure you of our willingness at all times to do for you as we have in the past. There is one thought I wish to leave with you, however, and that is that I want every member of this audience present to give some thought to a question that I am going to ask you.

I come from a State where I think most of you are willing to acknowledge we know, both men and women, what our duty is, and when the way is open to us we perform it, that is the State of Maine. And we feel that the honor of having a commander in chief, which I have always argued is the grandest office that any man was ever called to fill in this world, we feel that that honor at some time belongs to the State of Maine. We have never had one and we are the only New England State but what has had a commander in chief, and we have a man who is amply able in every way to fill that office, and when the time is ripe, when there is not any other man that wants it [laughter], I am going to ask every comrade present to do their utmost to aid the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Relief Corps and the Daughters of Veterans; they all love and admire Col. Edwin Milliken, of Maine, who is equal to that position and will do you honor when you give it to him.

You all know that the State of Maine two weeks ago knew what was right and did what was right. [Applause.] We want you all to follow and keep pace with the example we have set and you will have no reason to regret it. [Great applause.]

THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will now introduce Mrs. Henry, of Missouri, of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. DELLA R. HENRY, of Missouri. For the first time it is my proud privilege to stand in the presence of so large a company of those grand men who made American posterity possible by maintaining American unity against all the powers that secession could bring to them. When we look at the work you did during those four years, the prowess of every other nation fades into insignificance; and to-day I just want to raise my voice and cry, "All honor and all hail, comrades of the Grand Army." To the Ladies of the Grand Army you are as the Holy Grail.

Our organization, composed of the wives and the blood kin, and the descendants of the Union veterans of the Civil War, is taking a deep root. We are going to live forever, perpetuated by our descendants, a living monument of your hearts and homes, carrying the name of the Grand Army of the Republic and showing to the world in future years that the perpetuation of the memory and the history of your noble deeds has fallen into safe hands. The bright, golden, glorious shreds of tissue of that dear Old Flag are forever twined around the heart strings of the Ladies of the Grand Army, and catching the spirit that comes to us from the battle fields, of our husbands, fathers, sons, and brothers, we will be true to their comrades just as long as light and warmth of life remain in us.

The wonderful parade and procession of this Grand Army yesterday was one of the greatest lessons in patriotism to the rising generations that could ever be. I remember that the mayor of Minneapolis, Minn., said: "I would rather my children would see one Grand



Army parade than read all the histories of the Civil War." I am just going to close now with a little incident that happened in my own observation, sitting on the grand stand at Boston a few years ago, of a lady who was clapping and cheering vigorously when the Grand Army went by. Another lady sitting right close was perfectly emotionless. She never had a word to say; she was not cheering; she was not at all enthused over it. And the woman that was cheering said: "Why don't you cheer? Why don't you cheer?" The second lady just sat there. The first continued, "Why don't you cheer? I guess if you had three husbands killed in the Civil War, as I did, you would cheer." [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Past Commander in Chief Ell Torrance will respond to the greetings of the Ladies of the Grand Army.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. Mrs. Tarbox and Mrs. Henry, representing the committee of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, you are certainly very welcome here. This gives just a little taste of home when you come in, and to know that you represent 60,000 relatives is a very beautiful thing. My visit to this city has been greatly enhanced from the fact that I have, or that my wife has, one or two relatives here, and they have added very much to the pleasure and happiness of my visit. And you women, 60,000 women, you represent the very best that there is in the home life of America. You have done a whole lot for the veteran soldier of the Union. We are getting old and we are not just as attractive in form and movement as we once were, but your love for us is unchanged, your vitality is unbroken.

You never make any trouble for the men of the Grand Army of the Republic. I read a story the other day of a young couple that were just engaged, and the happy young girl looked into her lover's face and said, "I want to share all your trials and sorrows." He said, "My dear, I haven't got a trial or sorrow in the world." "But," she said, "I mean after we are married." [Laughter.] Well, we are all the better for anything that has come into our life, either of joy or sorrow, since we were married.

Take back to your convention our most cordial salutation and good wishes, and we hope that the future will bring many opportunities for you to continue your good work. Your organization is immortal, as you have said. It will live in the lives of your children and your grandchildren, and through them the finest things in American history and in American patriotism will be forever preserved.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The officer of the day will escort the ladies to the outpost. We thank you for this visit.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as the delegation retired.)

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Following the death of our New York comrade, whom we had recently elected commander in chief, Comrade Bell, New York, asked Comrade Pilcher, residing in the same city and intimate with him, to prepare a suitable but brief memorial for presentation here. When the commander in chief's order was issued, naming the committee, in which he was pleased to name Comrade Fallows, of Illinois, Comrade Gahagan, of Tennessee, and myself as such a committee, Comrade Pilcher at once sent to me the memorial he had prepared and placed it at the service



of your committee. Comrade Fallows and I have gone over it, felt that it was a splendid production, and we have thankfully accepted it as the expression we wished to present to this encampment. And now, sir, as Comrade Pilcher is on the platform and his nerves are steadier and his eyes are better than mine, I will ask him on behalf of our committee to read that production.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will now listen to the report of the memorial committee on the death of Comrade James D. Bell.

(Whereupon Comrade Lewis S. Pilcher, of New York, read the following report of the committee:)

(See In Memoriam, p. 265.)

Adj. Gen. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL. I move the adoption of the memorial by a rising vote.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that we adopt this memorial by a rising vote. All in favor of the motion will rise. (Unanimously carried.)

Comrades, I have received notice that a delegation from the Daughters of Veterans is at the outpost. The officer of the day will escort them to the platform.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel while a committee, composed of Mrs. Nellie M. Goodman, of Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Azubah Perry, of Medina, N. Y.; and Mrs. Minnie Anthony, of Portland, Oreg., was escorted to the platform.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, it is my pleasure to introduce to you a delegation from the Daughters of Veterans, headed by the president elect. Mrs. Goodman, who will now address you.

Mrs. NELLIE M. GOODMAN, of Boston, Mass. Commander in Chief and comrades, the greatest honor that has ever come to me in my life is with me this moment when I stand in the national encampment to greet our fathers. I know how busy you are. I know that you are busy and that you are tired. We want, when we go out, to have every one of you love us, and we know that you will love us if we don't say too much. So I will tell you that we bring you the love and honor and esteem of the National Alliance Daughters of Veterans. Comrades, you are our fathers. We look to you for all that is good. We look to you for the inspiration that is in the heart of every daughter of a veteran in the United States to-day.

Commander in Chief, I bring you these few posies, and may every moment you spend in your encampment and every moment that every comrade spends in this encampment be as bright as the flowers we bring you. (Presenting the commander in chief with a bouquet.) [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This is Mrs. Perry, another one of our girls, who will now talk to you.

Mrs. AZUBAH PERRY, of New York. Commander in Chief, officers of the staff, and comrades of my father, this is, indeed, the happiest moment that ever came to me, to come into the meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic. I never was in one before, and when I say that this is the greatest honor that could come to me, I mean it, the greatest honor that could come to a past president of the New York Department, Daughters of Veterans. We love you all, and we hope to keep you with us many, many years; and I hope that this will not be the last time that I can come to you. [Applause.]



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Mrs. Anthony, of Portland, Oreg., another daughter of a veteran.

Mrs. MINNIE ANTHONY, of Oregon. Commander in Chief and the Grand Army of the Republic, I know of no greater honor that could have been conferred upon me than the honor conferred by our national president of the Daughters of Veterans. To be invited into this wonderful audience, my father's comrades, it seems more of a pleasure than I can tell you. I bring you the greetings of our convention. I also bring you the greetings of Portland, Oreg., where you were our guests a few years ago. We, the Daughters of Portland, Oreg., are busy as bees working out the problems which concern you most. Comrades, I could spend an hour talking to you, but, as the sisters have said, we know that you are a busy body and we don't wish to take up your time. But let me leave with you the best wishes of the Daughters of Veterans here and elsewhere ever to be your servants. May God bless every one of you. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief, it is my pleasure at this time, if you will accept this little badge from the Daughters of Betsy Ross Tent, No. 1, of Portland. I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Just a word later. I am going to ask our comrade, Judge Willett, to say a word in response to this cordial greeting of the Daughters.

Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa. Commander in Chief, Daughters of Veterans, I wondered when I saw you come in where I had seen the lady in black. Now I know. It was in Portland, Oreg., and a right jolly good time they gave us. [Applause.] It goes without saying that when our Daughters call upon us we simply ask them what they want and give it to them as the best way to avoid difficulty. [Laughter.] At any rate that is the way it occurs in my household. I have but one daughter and she could always work her papa, and I have no doubt that each of you have been able to do that in times past. And it is apparent from the manner in which you have been received by the comrades that you have carried the art much further than working papa, because you have worked this encampment to a very hearty, gracious reception. We, too, hope that in the future encampments we may see your smiling faces at recurring annual encampments. We thank you for your gracious presence.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I just want to say, comrades, when I visited Portland, Oreg., they took me to the Hotel Portland and up to one of the finest rooms in the hotel. The landlord himself went up with me and opened the door. He said, "Walk in." I stepped into the room and looked around, and I said, "Who has been here?" "Oh," he said, "the Daughters of Veterans put in pretty near all the forenoon here." You never saw a room banked with beautiful flowers and flags nicer than that was. I thank you for this visit. The officer of the day will conduct the ladies to the outpost.

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel as the committee retired.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Just a moment. I want to tell you where this came from. [Reading a card attached to a large bouquet which had just been brought to the platform.] "A token of love and

best wishes from the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary No. 10, Indianapolis, Ind." Isn't it a beauty?

I have two telegrams here. I want to introduce Asst. Adjt. Gen. Matthews, who will read them.

(The assistant adjutant general then read the following telegrams:)

NEW YORK, N. Y., *September 23, 1920.*

DANIEL M. HALL,

*Commander in Chief, Tomlinson Hall, Indianapolis, Ind.:*

National Security League desires to extend to National Encampment of Grand Army of the Republic its best wishes for successful session. Your organization has been notable in the past for its active and sincere cooperation on every occasion in efforts toward unionization of patriotism and good citizenship, of our work and of our desire to cooperate with you in every possible way.

NATIONAL SECURITY LEAGUE,  
CHARLES D. ORTH, *President.*

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NEW YORK, N. Y., *September 23, 1920.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF,

*National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic.*

*Indianapolis, Ind.*

Greetings. Good wishes from Argonne Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

WILLIAM F. EIGHMEY, *Commander.*

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. I move that they be placed on file, Commander.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so ordered without a motion. These telegrams will be placed on file.

The committee on remembrance to our last year's commander in chief.

Comrade A. M. TRIMBLE, of Nebraska (reading):

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 22, 1920.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC:

COMRADES: The committee of which Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers, of Connecticut, now deceased, was chairman, selected at the Columbus, Ohio, encampment last year, to procure a testimonial to the outgoing commander in chief, for the splendid services rendered by him during his administration, have to report that we, the other members of said committee, have performed that duty by the purchase of 62 elegant pieces of silverware, and by having the same shipped to Comrade Clarendon E. Adams, past commander in chief, Omaha, to which we received the following beautiful reply of approval and acceptance, and we ask that the same be published, together with this report, in the proceedings of this national encampment.

A. M. TRIMBLE,  
GEORGE A. PRICE,  
*Members of Committee.*

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OMAHA, NEBR., *September 15, 1920.*

Comrades A. M. TRIMBLE and GEORGE A. PRICE,

*Committee.*

Through the courtesy of your committee, the testimonial from the Grand Army of the Republic has arrived.

The pains you have taken as a committee adds much value and interest. But its choicest value lies in the fact that it comes from the hearts of my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

From no other organization could come such tender and sacred memories of duty done, of patriotic devotion, sacrifice, and love of country; so sublime are they that they reach far beyond the ability of pen or tongue to describe; they come from the fountain of purer hearts, dispensing joy supreme.



So sublime are the sentiments expressed in this memorial that they not only bring joy to the recipient, but exalt and ennoble the donors.

There is an unwritten love arising from the ranks of our comrades, pure and holy; in the early days of the Grand Army of the Republic it seemed as though some unseen God had entered our ranks and sanctified the blessed name of "comrade."

I realize that I am receiving this testimonial from the hands of men far greater than I, or any one man; it comes from the living combined forces that "saved us our glorious Union undivided and our flag unsullied." From the hands of men who answered the call of Lincoln, who marched and fought with Grant and Sherman, Thomas and Sheridan, Logan, Hancock, and Meade. Could anything be grander than the service you rendered; could any token be more valuable than one from your hands? Ah, no; your friendship is unique in the service you performed and grand in the history you shaped and molded; a history purely American—you fought as Americans fight for liberty, justice, and right; you demanded an "unconditional surrender"; you made a solid basis for peace, and then you said "Let us have peace," and we have had peace for fifty-five years, peace in all our hearts and all our homes, and we will continue to have peace as long as the patriotism kindled by your services shall endure. Your services gave a new glory to freedom's shrine—Lincoln's Gettysburg speech has become the beacon light of the world—and blended together with the citizenship of the hour is pointing our country to a higher and grander patriotism, embraced in the words, "America for Americans."

Most humbly and sincerely do I thank you for this beautiful testimonial endeared by the love of my comrades and emblazoned by the victories they have won. Again do I sincerely thank you.

CLARENDON E. ADAMS.

(On motion of Comrade L. F. Arensberg, of Pennsylvania, duly seconded and carried, the report was received and placed on file.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am requested by the chairman of the committee on resolutions to ask that departments place all resolutions in his hands at once. The committee meets immediately on the recess of the encampment at the Columbia Club, and he is anxious to have them in.

Comrade McBride has a communication to read.

(Whereupon Comrade Robert W. McBride, of Indiana, read the following:)

OREGON BAR ASSOCIATION,  
*Portland, Oreg., September 11, 1920.*

The Oregon State Bar Association in session assembled, send warmest greetings and best wishes to the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic about to convene in annual session. We realize and doubly appreciate what they have done and that their ranks are thinning, and that no "new" blood can come in and no recruits can be drawn into the ranks; that the gaps in the picket line grow wider; day by day details are made for the reserve, summoned into the shadowy regions to return to touch elbows no more, until by and by only a solitary sentinel stands guard, waiting till the bugle call from beyond shall muster out the last comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic. God bless you all and be with you in your deliberations.

Attest: A true copy.

ALBERT B. RIDGWAY,  
*Secretary Oregon State Bar Association.*

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The communication will be put on file.

We will have the report of the committee on the quartermaster general's report, by Judge Willett.

Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa (reading):

*To the Commander in Chief, Officers, and Members of the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic:*

COMRADES: We, your committee to whom was referred the report of the quartermaster general, beg leave to report that we have examined said report.

and have investigated same. We find said report is correct as regards the financial part thereof, and that the books of the quartermaster general have been audited by proper auditing committee and found correct, and said report and audit has been approved by the executive committee and council of administration. Therefore this committee recommend the approval of said report in so far as it pertains to the accounts of the quartermaster general.

(The recommendation was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the report as far as made, of the committee on the quartermaster's report, be adopted.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I ask you, does the approval of the report increase the per capita tax?

Comrade WILLETT. Later on.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All who favor the motion will say "aye." Contrary, "no." The motion prevails.

Comrade WILLETT. Further reporting:

Clause 2. Your committee, reporting on the fourth paragraph of said report wherein the quartermaster general recommends that the annual per capita tax be increased from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents to 7 cents per annum, be amended to read "10 cents per annum, payable in semiannual installments of 5 cents each"; that with this amendment your committee recommend that the report be approved in that regard.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. I second it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the report of the committee on this clause be approved. Any remarks?

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. We offer an amendment that it be not approved.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey, Commander in Chief, I would like to ask, if we increase the per capita tax will it be necessary for the new administration to draw out any moneys from the reserve fund? Will the 10 cents per capita tax pay the expenses of the administration?

Comrade WILLETT. In the opinion of this committee, under ordinary circumstances, the administration would not be required to draw any funds from the principal of the permanent fund. They might possibly have to use the interest.

Comrade COLE. Then, Commander in Chief, I hope the encampment will adopt that resolution. I hope that we may maintain the reserve fund until some future time when we will be less able to pay the per capita tax. Our department at its last session increased the per capita tax from 20 cents to 40 cents. I think the comrades of the department will be entirely willing to increase the national per capita tax from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 10 cents, provided we can maintain the reserve fund intact as it now stands.

[Cries of "Question."]

Past Commander in Chief LEO RASSIEUR. I believe it is usually considered at this time of life, it is according to my notion, a crime to increase the load that our comrades are to carry. It is a hardship upon the departments to meet this demand. Three-and-a-half cents per comrade ought, with proper management, to suffice for the Grand Army of the Republic. The trouble is, we are spending faster than we should. There was a time when, out of \$2,000 devoted to the expense of travel, \$1,500 was turned into the treasury of the Grand Army. Let's get back to those times. Let's spend in



accordance with our income and not be loading down the comrades in their advancing years with additional money. I understand the increase is from 35 cents per capita to \$1.

Comrade WILLETT. Ten cents a year, payable semiannually in installments of 5 cents.

Past Commander in Chief RASSIEUR. Very well. Then the increase is more than double the old, just as I have been talking about. Instead of 35 it is  $3\frac{1}{2}$ . The increase is in the same ratio. It is an increase of a kind that should not be made. It is an increase for which, in my judgment, there is no cause. I will take this organization and run it on less money than the present amounts to, and others would do the same. This I hope the comrades will consider before they increase it. We ought to consider that. If money must be paid for the actual expenses, take it out of the permanent fund, don't load this onto the comrades. It will drag them out faster from the organization than we are able to replace them. So I hope that the report of the committee will not be adopted. It looks small, my comrades, but the difference between  $3\frac{1}{2}$  and 10 is nearly three times and over twice what it has been in the past.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. Commander, at Portland we were reported to have a membership of 120,000. At Columbus we were reported to have a membership of 110,000. To-day, I understand, we have a membership of 103,000. There is not a man in this audience; there is not a man in the Grand Army of the Republic that is not to-day receiving \$600 a year [applause] as the result of the action of the Grand Army, and it seems to me to be a refinement of economy, not to use a stronger expression, to make a fuss over taking 10 cents out of \$600 every year for the support of the organization [great applause] that has got him this \$600. That matter came before the delegation of Indiana with a recommendation from the executive committee, and the delegation from Indiana, an economical delegation, by unanimous vote united in the recommendation of the executive committee for an assessment of 10 cents. We want that 10 cents so that the administration, and I may have something to do with the administration [laughter], will not be tempted to dip their hands into the permanent fund. I want this encampment to provide for expenses, but leave the permanent fund as it ought to be, untouched and intact. I think it is absolutely necessary, and that can not be done unless we adopt the recommendation of the executive committee and of the quartermaster general concurred in by the committee in its report.

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. I want to ask Comrade Ketcham a question.

Comrade KETCHAM. I have cross-examined a good many people, and I would be glad to be cross-examined myself and see how it goes.

Comrade BENGOUGH. Comrade Ketcham, I want to ask you a question: What is the use of continuing this permanent fund with such a large amount? What is the purpose? We have got a permanent fund, and we ought to, in my judgment, and it may differ from the forcible judgment of Comrade Ketcham, but it seems to me that it is much better for this encampment to use its permanent fund gradually, when it may last for six or seven years, when most of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic will be at their long rest. It does seem to me that it is not good business practice, when



you have that amount of money in reserve, to tax the comrades of this encampment and the comrades at home.

Comrade KETCHAM. I will answer your question. It is pretty hard to find any question in that speech, but if there is any question in the speech it is, Why shouldn't we exhaust our permanent fund and not make any per capita tax at all? That is what that means, and my answer to that is: There may come a time—I hope it may never come—but there may come a time when the Grand Army of the Republic will need that permanent fund: and it is a very small thing to say that a man can not pay out of the \$600 that he gets as a result of the work of the Grand Army 10 cents for the expenses of the Grand Army, leaving him \$599.90 to do with as he pleases. [Great applause.]

Comrade M. W. WOOD, of Idaho. Commander in chief and comrades, we have heard some little here about the American Legion. I am talking about the Grand Army right now, which I love. I belong to every single last one——

A COMRADE. Louder.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. As long as you keep hollering you can not hear him. He is doing the best he can.

Comrade WOOD. I want to tell you the dues of every member of the American Legion is \$1, and you are kicking here, some of you, because you must pay less than a cent a month. Those of us who have had the fortune to have been department commanders know what a bill of expense the position has been to us if we have performed our duties. Nearly all of us know what our commander in chief has done for us during the past year. If we were to pay him \$5,000 for what he did he would still be out of pocket. Some comrade spoke about there having been appropriated \$1,500 and \$1,200 to turn back. If he did, the other \$300 was wasted. It would be better and money in our pockets, a better investment, if our commander in chief had \$5,000 instead of \$1,500. It would be worth more money to us to-day. Let us keep the Grand Army where we can as long as we can, and don't make any little fuss about less than a cent a month.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. Commander in Chief, I wish that we might have substantially if not entirely a unanimous vote upon this question. As chairman of the committee on legislation, it fell to my province to face both the committee in the House and in the Senate in your behalf, my comrades, appealing for an increase in pensions. Two years ago we said to them, "If you will give us this"—and they did—"we won't ask you again." This year we met some of the same men, and two or three of the Senators said, "Didn't you tell us two years ago if we would give you the increase desired that you would not ask us again?" I said, "I did; but what you gave us two years ago is not equivalent in purchasing power to what we ask you to give us now." It was because of the universal experience of the increased cost of living, as well as the growing feebleness of age, that these Representatives of our Government granted the prayer of the commander in chief and others who besought them. Now what? You have asked this man and his adjutant general and members of the committee to go here and there this year in their duties. Who paid the bills? They went for you. The change from Atlantic City to this city cost a very considerable amount of money. It had to be done. To illustrate, I bought a reservation



this morning from Indianapolis to Toledo in order that I might sleep to-morrow night on the cars, \$4.20. It cost me as much to get a reservation from this city to Toledo as the car fare from Michigan to Indianapolis. Do you ask Ketcham—might as well nominate him now as any time—to sit up all night, as commander in chief, in a day coach; or will you put him to bed and save his life, though it costs some money? It costs more money at the hotel—everywhere.

Now, but another thought. Gentlemen, if it had not been for the Grand Army of the Republic, its power in national affairs, you would not be receiving \$600 as the minimum of compensation the Government pays you for what you did 50 years ago. [Applause.] Why, we used to stand up and be shot at for three days at a time for \$13 a month. Now we get \$50 a month and sit in a chair and squirt water in the front yard. That is the difference. But the Government has done it. Now, is there a man here or anywhere, is there a comrade who will say, "I can not pay 5 cents every six months for the organization that has made it possible for me to draw \$600 a year"? That is the size of it, comrades.

Now, don't let's go home bewailing the extravagance of the Grand Army of the Republic because the national organization costs us 10 cents a year. I don't smoke, but if I did I would be mighty glad to get two good cigars for 10 cents.

Comrade WILLETT. Fifteen cents for a good cigar.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. Now, you old smokers, you understand it. You say you can not. But what I want [cries of "Question"], I judge you are smokers, every one, but what I want to say is this: Let the Members of Congress, when they read of your deliberations, not read that you are not willing to give 10 cents a year for the support of your national organization. Make it unanimous on the 10 cents. [Cries of "We will."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I believe this matter has been discussed long enough. Let us have the question.

Comrade JOHN M. SNYDER, of Illinois. I move the adoption of the report of the committee.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chairman of the committee wants to make an explanation.

Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa. Commander in Chief, pardon me for making an explanation. As this matter now stands it is only a recommendation. A majority vote is all that is required to approve it as a recommendation. But if you are prepared to vote on this question and the matter is unanimous, and you have made this recommendation, this committee will move that the rule be suspended and that the rate of 10 cents, as recommended, be adopted.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption of the recommendation of the committee.

Comrade WM. L. HEISKELL, of Indiana. I move the previous question.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor of the adoption of the recommendation of the committee will say "aye." Contrary, if any, "no." The recommendation is adopted. The committee will proceed with their report.

Comrade WILLETT. Commander in Chief and comrades, this committee has paved the way for this subject matter, and before this encampment shall have concluded I am directed by the unanimous

vote of the council of administration to submit the proposition to you of fixing the per capita tax at 10 cents per annum, payable in semi-annual installments of 5 cents each, and to ask unanimous consent of this encampment that such a law may be enacted, and this is but paving the way so that you may understand the proposition and be discussing it. You have recommended it and approved the report of the committee.

Now, to another subject, which is included in the quartermaster's report:

Your committee approve the fifth paragraph of said report with the addition of the words "not to exceed 15 per cent of the principal of said permanent fund" following the word "requirements" at the end of line 4 from the top of page 25 thereof; and with this amendment we recommend your approval of said report.

In that report the paragraph referred to reads:

I would further recommend that the rules and regulations be changed by striking out the limit of 10 per cent to be drawn from the permanent fund in any one year; that is, the commander in chief should be empowered to draw such amounts from the permanent fund from time to time, upon requisition from the quartermaster general, as may be absolutely necessary to meet actual requirements.

Your committee, investigating this matter, added after the word "requirements" the words "not to exceed 15 per cent of the principal of said permanent fund," and we recommend that that amendment with the recommendation be approved.

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania. I move its approval. (Seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the recommendation be approved.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. It will take not quite seven years to exhaust the permanent fund. Think of that, even if it does not exceed 15 per cent. Now, we have increased the per capita tax from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 10 cents. That gives the national administration \$10,000 to conduct its business for the ensuing year. I do not believe that you should touch that permanent fund. I asked the chairman of the committee when that was adopted if it would be necessary. He assured us that in his opinion it would not. The comrades heard that. We don't want to touch the permanent fund. As Comrade Ketcham said, there will come a time when it will be necessary, absolutely necessary, to touch the permanent fund. That time has not arrived as yet. If it is necessary to incur extraordinary expenses the administration can incur those expenses and refer the matter to the next encampment. That has been done before. It is not necessary to use all the money we have got in the bank. I say, maintain that permanent fund. Most of it has been given to us. Don't touch the permanent fund. And therefore I move that the recommendation just offered be laid on the table.

[Cries of "Second the motion."]

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. I wish you would withdraw that a moment. I want to say something.

Comrade COLE. I withdraw it.

Comrade KETCHAM. Comrades, I think you have voted wisely on the per capita tax increase. I don't think that this permanent fund



ought to be the subject of attack any further, and I especially think that the incoming commander in chief, whoever he may be, whatever may be his name, ought not to be put to the embarrassment of saying "No." I want this encampment to say "No," and not leave it up to the incoming commander in chief to be crowded by his quartermaster general and by everybody else to dip into this fund. That ought to be a sacred fund and ought not to be touched for that purpose. Therefore I hope that the motion that my comrade from New Jersey is about to make will pass.

Comrade COLE. I now renew the motion.

Comrade WM. L. HEISKEL, of Indiana. I rise to a point of order.

Comrade WILLETT. Please withdraw that motion just one moment and you will be satisfied.

Comrade COLE. No; we don't want to withdraw it. It is not debatable.

Comrade WILLETT. Please withdraw that motion one moment, and I say you will be satisfied.

Comrade KETCHAM. I hope you will let him——

Comrade COLE. Go on, Judge.

Comrade WILLETT. Then I understand it is withdrawn, and the committee withdraw that part of the report. [Great applause.]

Now, comrades and Commander in Chief, I ask the unanimous consent of this encampment to pass this resolution, which is recommended by your council of administration:

*Resolved*, That the rules be suspended and that the per capita tax be increased from 3½ cents a year to 10 cents per annum, payable semiannually in installments of 5 cents each——

and I ask unanimous consent that that resolution may be offered in this encampment and voted upon.

Comrade COLE. You have adopted it already.

Comrade WILLETT. No; that was a recommendation.

Comrade COLE. I move that the recommendation of this committee be adopted, and on that motion I move the previous question.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on this last recommendation. Will you kindly read that recommendation again?

(Comrade Willett again read the resolution.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question comes up upon the unanimous consent and unanimous vote to make the per capita tax 10 cents per year, payable in installments of 5 cents semiannually. Now you have the question. Are you ready for a vote? All who favor the resolution will say "aye." Contrary, if any? It is unanimous.

Comrade WILLETT. Now, Commander in Chief and comrades, with the foregoing additions and amendments, as disposed of by this encampment, your committee recommend the adoption of the report of the quartermaster general. (Seconded by several comrades.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that we adopt the report of the quartermaster general as amended. All who favor that motion will say "aye." Contrary? The motion prevails.

We have three memorial committees appointed—one on the death of Comrade Bell, one on Comrade Beers, and one on Comrade Monfort. We have had one of them. Let us have the others. The committee on the death of Monfort. The senior vice commander will

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief Charles B. Wilson took the chair.)

Past Commander in Chief ORLANDO A. SOMERS. The memorial for Comrade Monfort—

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that this encampment now adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. A motion is not in order when a comrade is speaking.

Past Commander in Chief SOMERS. The memorial for Comrade Monfort, of which I was chairman of the committee, has been prepared by the department commander of Ohio, Comrade John M. Adams, who was a lifetime friend of Comrade Monfort, who was his adjutant general, and was in closer intimate relations with him than any other man. As a matter of love and duty, Comrade Adams makes the report for the committee instead of its chairman. I ask you to hear him, and as you will be quiet you will hear him.

Comrade JOHN M. ADAMS, of Ohio. I beg the comrades to indulge me a little from the fact that I have not had to make my living making speeches. I will do the best I can with the little voice that has been left me, and if you will kindly listen I will not indulge myself more than a few minutes in reading this paper. You all know my relations with Past Commander in Chief Elias Riggs Monfort. His was a familiar face in these encampments and he was well known to you. It was my good fortune to have him as my personal friend, and he has indulged himself in the past, before his death, in saying to his relatives that I was his friend. This is the paper [reading]:

(See In Memoriam, p. 269.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The memorial is received and made a part of the record.

Comrade GEORGE T. LEECH, of Maryland. This lobby here is a great interference to us along this side. They are showing great disrespect to this encampment. I wish it was cleared out.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Move the lobby out into the street.

Comrade J. F. ELLIS, of Wisconsin. I move that the election of officers be made a special order of business at 8 o'clock this evening, and that we continue that special order until it is disposed of.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move that we now adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. Why not finish these memorial resolutions? There is just one more.

Comrade COLE. I withdraw it until he gets through.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The resolution on the death of Comrade Beers.

Past Commander in Chief LEO RASSIEUR. Commander in Chief and comrades, your committee appointed to prepare appropriate resolutions upon the demise of our distinguished comrade, Past Commander in Chief Alfred Bishop Beers, beg leave to report the following, to wit [reading]:

(See In Memoriam, p. 267.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report of the committee. What will you do with it?



Comrade IRA R. WILDMAN, of Connecticut. It was my proud privilege as a delegate from the department of Connecticut to first present to this national encampment the name of Judge A. B. Beers. I have known him since the War of the Rebellion as a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic and as a friend and comrade in civil life. I wish to reiterate everything that those resolutions say of the comrade. You have known him as commander in chief. You can not add to the luster of his name. I move the adoption of the resolution by a rising vote.

(The motion prevailed.)

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. My motion was that we adjourn——

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Bishop Fallows is here and has got to go away. He just wants to make a word of explanation. Do you withdraw for Bishop Fallows?

Comrade COLE. I withdraw it for Bishop Fallows.

Comrade SAMUEL FALLOWS, of Illinois. Commander and comrades, I made a statement a year ago as the chairman of the committee appointed by Congress to complete the statue of Gen. Grant in Washington. I made the statement then, coming from the War Department——

Comrade J. M. SHELLEY, of Oregon. I have come here from Oregon more than 2,500 miles to attend this encampment. The circumstances are such that I may have to return without attending another session of this encampment. I want the opportunity——

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It must be a special privilege, or you can not break in on this present speaker.

Comrade FALLOWS. I have only a word to say now. It is a word of explanation that is due you and the rest of those comrades belonging to the Grand Army of the Republic. For 18 years the statue of Gen. Grant has been under construction at Washington in the Botanical Gardens there at the Capital of the Nation; for 18 years we have been expecting, year by year, that the statue would be completed that we might dedicate it and have a reunion of all the armies of the Union at its dedication. As chairman of that commission and president of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, I just received word from the War Department that it may take a great many months yet before the statue is finished. So it can not be finished and dedicated this year, but probably will be some time during the coming year. Eighteen years! But the architect or the sculptor of the monument told me in the presence of his wife, "I have paid \$20,000 of my own money to complete that monument, but owing to circumstances I won't recapitulate, I can not do it." Now, as the statue will not be finished until next year; that is what I wish to say, to exonerate the members of the commission, consisting of the Secretary of War, Senator Brandegee, and myself. It is all owing to circumstances we can not control that the statue is not finished. We will keep at it until it is completed, and then, God helping us, we will all be there to celebrate its completion.

Comrade COLE. My motion is to adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

(The motion was duly seconded, put to the encampment, and carried, and the encampment stood adjourned (5 p. m.).)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1920—MORNING SESSION.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF (9.20 a. m.). The encampment will come to order. It is a warm morning. Take off your coats if you want to.

Adj. Gen. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL. I am requested to say that the automobile ride will start as near 2 o'clock as possible from the Circle or Monument Square. There will be no ladies along.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Let us have order. Now, we are under the head of "Reports of committees." Comrade Hosley asks the privilege of saying a word first.

Comrade GEORGE A. HOSLEY, of Massachusetts. Comrades, for three years there has been a son-in-law of a veteran who has been at headquarters attending on all of you men, answering all questions, assisting there, placing these cards around here designating your departments, and giving his time through pure enthusiasm and love of the Grand Army of the Republic, nothing else. He gets nothing else. He has come to our encampments for years, and we can do no less than extend to him a unanimous vote of thanks for his work for us, and I move that a vote of thanks be extended to him. He is R. J. Cant, of Buffalo, N. Y. You see him at headquarters every day and evening.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will just say, comrades, that he has worked untiringly ever since we opened headquarters, arranging the badges and tickets and everything of that kind. All who favor the motion will say "aye." Contrary, "no." Carried.

I will call upon Comrade McBride, chairman of the committee on incorporation, to make his report. Let us have order now.

Comrade ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, of Indiana. I will say to those who have the report before you that the printer made a mistake by omitting one word from section 5 of the bill. They omitted the word "or."

(Comrade McBride then read the report of the committee as set out on pp. 63 and 64 of the printed reports of the fifty-fourth encampment.)

Comrade MCBRIDE. That provision (referring to the second paragraph of sec. 5 of the bill) was inserted because many posts and possibly some departments—I think one, at least, and possibly more—have organized as corporations under State laws for the protection of their own property, and this proviso was inserted so that this act shall not in any manner affect the rights of such corporations.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. I would like to ask Comrade McBride—in section 1 it reads "members of the Army or Navy"—wouldn't it be a good idea to include marines?

Comrade MCBRIDE. Comrade, we followed the rules and regulations on that subject.

Comrade ALFRED LYTH, of New York. I move that the report of the committee be approved and its recommendations adopted.

Comrade MCBRIDE. I was about to make that motion myself.

Comrade JOHN M. VERNON, of Illinois. I thought it said between the years 1861 and 1865.

Comrade MCBRIDE. If you will pardon me just a moment. On referring to the rules and regulations I find a paragraph in which eligibility to membership is stated in broader terms.



Comrade VERNON. That is what I was going to speak of.

Comrade McBRIDE. In behalf of the other members of the committee, I will say that we will voluntarily change that provision so that the membership as prescribed here shall be precisely as is laid down in the rules and regulations.

(Following is the act of incorporation as revised by the committee:)

A BILL FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, as follows:*

SECTION 1. That the organization known as the Grand Army of the Republic, with a membership limited to persons who served as soldiers and sailors of the United States Army and Navy, or Marine Corps and Revenue Cutter Service, between April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865, in the War for the Suppression of the Rebellion, and of such State regiments as were called into active service and subject to the orders of the United States general officers between the dates mentioned, and have been honorably discharged therefrom after such service, is hereby created a body corporate and politic of the District of Columbia, by the name of "The Grand Army of the Republic," by which name it shall be a person in law, capable of suing and being sued, and of having and exercising all incidental powers as a litigant or otherwise, as if it were a natural person, with power to acquire by purchase, gift, devise, or bequest, and to hold, convey, or otherwise dispose of property, real or personal, as may be necessary or calculated to carry into effect the patriotic, fraternal, and charitable purposes of its organization, as such purposes are avowed and declared in its rules and regulations.

SEC. 2. The supreme governing and controlling authority in said organization shall be the national encampment thereof, composed of representatives from the several department encampments, as are now or may hereafter be organized: *Provided*, There shall never be any change in the plan of organization of said national encampment that shall materially change its present representative form of government, or render possible the concentration of the control thereof in the hands of a limited number, or in a self-perpetuating body not representative of the membership at large.

SEC. 3. The qualifications for membership in said organization, except as they are limited by the provisions of section 1 of this act, and the rights and privileges of the members thereof, shall be such as are fixed by the laws, rules, and regulations adopted by said national encampment, and the meetings of said organization, whether for the transaction of business or otherwise, may be held at any place in the United States.

SEC. 4. The activities of said corporation shall be exercised through and by the following agencies, in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations now in force or such as may be hereafter enacted by the national encampment thereof, viz:

First. Through the national encampment, its officers and committees.

Second. Through such department encampments as may have been heretofore or as may be hereafter organized, their officers and committees.

Third. Through such posts as may have been heretofore or may be hereafter organized, their officers and committees.

Such department encampments shall be subject and subordinate in authority to the national encampment, and such posts shall be also subject to such control, exercised through the department encampment and department officers of the particular department to which it belongs.

SEC. 5. The corporate existence of the Grand Army of the Republic and the exclusive right of its surviving members to wear the insignia of membership therein shall terminate only when the last of its members dies: *Provided, however*, That if at any national encampment hereafter held a memorial shall be adopted by the votes of three-fourths of the members present reciting that because of the decrease in its membership, or because of the age and infirmity of its surviving members, it is no longer advisable and practicable to hold future annual national encampments, such action shall not operate to deprive said organization of any of its corporate powers, but the government thereof may be modified to provide for such contingency, subject to the restrictions contained in section 2 of this act: *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall in any manner affect the ownership of property held by any post or department

in its own right, or the power of such posts or departments to dispose of the same, or affect the right of such posts or departments to organize corporations under State laws for the purpose of caring for and disposing of such property.

SEC. 6. The national encampment may, by resolution, provide for the disposition and future ownership of its property and archives, and may declare the event in which such disposition shall become effective, and such ownership vested, and a duly authenticated copy of such resolution shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the 'Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Upon the happening of the event thus declared, and upon the filing of a petition in said supreme court reciting said facts, said court shall take jurisdiction thereof, and upon due and satisfactory proof being made the court shall enter a decree which shall be effectual to vest title and ownership in accordance with the provisions of such resolution.

"Respectfully submitted."

ROBERT W. McBRIDE,  
DAVID F. PUGH,  
JOHN M. WILLIAMS,  
*Committee.*

Comrade WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, of Massachusetts. I would like to ask for information, as I was delayed in getting here. I want information regarding the matter of the election of the officers of the corporation. In Massachusetts we have had a very bitter experience in reference to incorporation with our soldiers' home. The Grand Army of the Republic in the Department of Massachusetts organized one of the best soldiers' homes in this country. The men, who were put in there by the vote of the encampment, a little later got themselves incorporated under articles of incorporation, and the Department of Massachusetts Grand Army of the Republic hasn't got any more to say about that home to-day than you have; and I think we ought to see about that before we get in too deep.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am going to ask Judge McBride to answer your question.

Comrade McBRIDE. By the act, as we have prepared it, the officers of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, the officers of the department encampments, the officers of the posts, as they are elected, are the officers of this organization. The election of the commander in chief makes him the head.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. This matter has been carefully considered by the best legal talent we had in the United States. The whole matter has been read, and if we are going to listen to the inquiries of those who come late and did not hear it, we will spend all the forenoon here and all day in answering questions. I move the adoption of the report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are you ready for the question? [Cries of "Question."] All those who favor the adoption of the report of the committee will say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is unanimous.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I ask a moment for the consideration of a telegram, which I am sure will meet with the approval of every comrade in this encampment. It is addressed, sir, to the widow of our late comrade, Commander in Chief Bell. With your permission, I will read it, and if the encampment approves, I will ask the commander in chief to put his name to the telegram and put it on the wire [reading]:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., September 24, 1920.

Mrs. JAMES D. BELL,  
91 Rugby Road, Brooklyn, N. Y.:

The comrades of your lamented husband, assembled in their fifty-fourth national encampment, where they expected to greet him and you at the close of the



brilliant and successful year of the administration they justly expected because of his eminent qualifications to administer our affairs, are deeply impressed by a realizing sense of the great loss our comradeship has suffered in his, to us, untimely passing into the realm beyond. It was God's will, and we bow to it with all possible resignation, but as most of us have in the past been obliged to pass under the rod, we beg to assure you that from over our whole land, where our comradeship extends, we tender to you and all your domestic circle our deepest sympathy. May the God of the widow and fatherless comfort and console you and yours as only God can.

I move the adoption.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. It is my deliberate judgment that a communication, beautifully worded as this, would be far more gratifying to the widow of this honored man if it was written out and formally signed by the officers of the encampment after it has adjourned, so that she may keep it not only in her heart but in her archives, than to have it come over the Western Union Telegraph Co.'s wire. I beg to suggest that it should be sent in the form of a communication, properly signed by the officers of the encampment, to Mrs. Bell, rather than to be transmitted by telegraph.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. I accept the suggestion.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. The committee on resolutions last night adopted a resolution instructing the memorial committee to prepare a suitable resolution of condolence, have it properly engrossed and signed by the commander in chief, and presented to Mrs. Bell.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. Then I will present this as I first intended. I don't want her to feel that this encampment has met and conducted its business and adjourned without some word going to that home at 91 Rugby Road. I ask the commander in chief to put it on the wire as a telegram.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is on the message as presented by Comrade Tanner. All who favor its adoption will say "aye." Contrary, if any, "no." It is carried.

Comrade J. M. SHELLEY, of Oregon. I have crossed the Rocky Mountains, comrades, and traveled 2,500 miles. I had one special object in view, and that is to present to you—I am not going to put it in the shape of a motion, but, as some one suggested here on the floor, in the form of a suggestion, because no one man knows enough to know it all, or to tell you how to run things, you understand. But I have been in deliberative bodies when motions were presented. When motions are put, the presiding officer takes it, unless there is objection immediately interposed, that that shall be the voice of the convention, and it is voted on without a motion on the part of anyone, and that saves you a whole lot of time, you understand, and you get the same result exactly.

Now, there are one or two other things. If the men who have the settling of things would plan it, they could curtail the time of this convention by setting aside the first day for the work on rules and regulations, change of constitution, and such as that, and then get down to business the next day in the forenoon, and you won't keep us here. If you will adopt these short methods of doing business, you can transact in 2 hours what would take you 14 here the way you are doing business. You know what I am trying to get at. Take these suggestions and see if you can't work them out.

Comrade SAMUEL D. WEBSTER, of Missouri. He is taking up our time here.

Comrade SHELLEY. My wife has been sick and I am going home. I am sorry I can not stay longer.

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief Charles B. Wilson was called to the chair.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will have the report of the committee on commander's address.

(Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner then read the following report:)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the commander in chief, begs leave to say: That the sudden death of Commander in Chief Bell, coming as it did without warning and without anticipation, brought the duties and responsibilities of the highest office in our order to Comrade Daniel M. Hall.

Your committee desires to express as the sense of this encampment their appreciation of the admirable manner in which Comrade Hall has uniformly discharged the many and varied duties which have devolved upon him. The wise, conservative, and able manner in which he has met all the requirements of his office teach us that the greatest care should be exercised in the selection of senior and junior vice commanders in chief.

Under the circumstances your committee unqualifiedly approve changing the place of holding the encampment from Atlantic City to Indianapolis.

Your committee desires further to express appreciation of the persistent and successful efforts of Commander in Chief Hall in securing the low railroad rates to and from the encampment.

Respectfully submitted.

WASHINGTON GARDNER.  
ELL TORRANCE.  
ORLANDO A. SOMERS.

I move the adoption of the report.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the report. What will you do with it? All those in favor of accepting the report as read say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is carried.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. The committee beg leave to present the following:

*Resolved*, That the incoming commander in chief be authorized to appoint a committee to procure and present to Comrade Hall a suitable testimonial in recognition of his valuable, arduous, and acceptable service as commander in chief.

WASHINGTON GARDNER.  
ELL TORRANCE.  
ORLANDO A. SOMERS.

I move its adoption.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. I move to amend that by saying that he be directed, not authorized.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. I accept it.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. Those in favor will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." It is so ordered.

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. Commander in Chief and comrades, when our late and lamented Commander in Chief James D. Bell was installed to his great office he immediately made to the encampment the following recommendation:

I recommend that a committee be appointed to make suitable preparations for celebrating the centenary of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant on April 27, 1922, with



directions to report from time to time to the commander in chief and the national encampment.

That resolution was unanimously adopted, and by the last general orders of Commander in Chief Hall a committee was appointed in accordance with this recommendation. The committee was not able, not having time to communicate with each other, to take any definite action in regard to the matter. Last night a meeting of the committee was held, and we felt that this matter was one of vast importance not only to the Grand Army of the Republic but to the Nation, for it is now admitted by all that Gen. Grant was the greatest soldier that this Nation ever produced. It especially belongs to the Grand Army of the Republic to lead in the matter of the observance of this day. We have no doubt that the Nation in all its departments and agencies will observe the day. But this committee will enter upon its duties and, as required by the recommendation, will report from time to time to the commander in chief and at the next annual encampment we hope to lay before you a plan that will be suitable and appropriate.

Comrade CAMPBELL STANTON, of Pennsylvania. I move the continuation of that committee.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. I move that this report be accepted. (Seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the partial report of the committee on the observance of the centenary of Gen. Grant be accepted.

(The motion was put to the encampment by the commander in chief and duly carried.)

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITS. Commander in Chief and comrades, a motion has just been made and adopted that a committee on testimonial be appointed to procure a proper testimonial for the retiring commander in chief. It has been the habit of this organization to defer that matter for a whole year, and at our time of life I do not think that is a proper thing to do. He has served his time and I think that by all means this committee should act, and that the testimonial should be sent on Christmas Day each year, and not wait for a whole year, because there are great chances he might pass away before he ever receives it. I make that as a suggestion, and I would like to see that matter adopted. I make the motion that the committee procure the testimonial and present it on Christmas Day. (Seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF (presiding). You have heard this motion. Those in favor of it will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." It is adopted.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF (resuming the chair). I will call on the committee on resolutions for their report. Now, comrades, just listen. We have a whole bunch of resolutions. We can take till Sunday morning. When the resolution is read, if there is no objection to its adoption, it is moved by the one reading it and considered as adopted, and we will move along with this as fast as possible.

Comrade LEWIS S. PILCHER, of New York. The committee desires to report as follows: A resolution asking that memorials of soldiers of the World War shall be dedicated to the memory of soldiers in all wars in which our country has been engaged. However much we may

personally favor this, we feel that as an organization it is not for us to consider, and we have laid it on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection to the report of the committee it is so ordered.

Comrade ERNEST C. STAHL, of New Jersey. I suggest that Comrade Cole of that committee read that so we can hear. The chairman of the committee is unfit physically to make us hear.

Comrade PILCHER. Comrades, I think I can make you hear. Next is a memorial for a recommendation in regard to a Department of Education at Washington, which we feel should not properly come before us, and we have laid it on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The recommendation is adopted if I hear no objection. It is so ordered.

Comrade PILCHER. Next is a memorial asking that we recommend that our members should not sell their Liberty bonds. We feel that is not a matter for proper consideration here, and recommend it be laid on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I hear no objection. It is so ordered.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a series of resolutions pertaining to pension matters. They do not properly belong to the committee on resolutions, and are referred to the committee on pensions.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If I hear no objections they are so referred.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a request that the adjutant general shall keep account of the time consumed by him in his correspondence and shall report to the next encampment. We respectfully refer it to the incoming adjutant general.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection it will be so referred.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a matter referring to the railroad rates to our national encampment. It is of sufficient length and importance to ask for the very best presentation before you, and I will ask Comrade Cole, with his voice, to give it to you.

(Whereupon Comrade Frank O. Cole, of New Jersey, secretary of the committee, read the following resolution:)

Whereas it appears to this, the Fifth-fourth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, that the courtesies of the various railroads of the United States have in the past and current year been abused in the matter of rates to our national encampments in that posts, auxiliary, and affiliated societies have freely received into membership many whose object seems to have been to obtain the reduction in rates only and whose interest in the various organizations have ceased after taking this advantage: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this encampment that in the future no reduction of rates shall be requested from the various railroad lines to our national encampments for members of auxiliary or affiliated societies for any person or persons who have not been members of such organizations in good standing for at least one year preceding the date of any national encampment.

Comrade PILCHER. The committee recommend the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade T. C. DE JEAN, of South Dakota. I move that we amend that and make it three months.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the report of the committee be adopted. All who favor the motion say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a memorial asking you to take some action favoring the erection of a memorial in Washington in honor



of the Negro soldiers of the late war. The committee reports that, while they sympathize with the movement, they deem it inexpedient for this body to take any action in the matter.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Unless there is objection, it will be so adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a resolution—

*Resolved*, That the more adequate provision made for our needs in declining years, and for the widows of departed comrades, by the recent pension legislation, calls for our hearty expression of thanks to Representative Fuller and Senator McCumber, chairmen of Pension Committees in the House and Senate, and to their associates on committees and Members of those bodies who supported the so-called Fuller bill, as well as to President Wilson for his prompt official approval of that measure.

We recommend its adoption.

Comrade T. C. DE JEAN, of South Dakota. I move to amend by adding the name of John McElroy.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no further objection, it will be adopted as amended.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a resolution asking us to fix the rates for railroad transportation to future encampments. We are asked to declare that we will not pay more than 1 cent a mile. We feel that we can not act on that, and we must lay it on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection, the report of the committee is approved.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is another memorial, which the chairman greatly regrets that he can not take the time to fully present to you. It amounts, however, to asking that we adopt the poppy of the fields of France as our national flower; that on certain days of the year we import them and that we pay 10 cents a flower therefor. We feel that it should go on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It goes upon the table unless there is objection.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a memorial asking that in case of the death of a pensioner all arrears shall be paid to the family. It should go to the committee on pensions for their consideration.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be referred to the committee on pensions unless there is objection. It is so ordered.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a resolution asking that the basis of representation to national encampments be one delegate to 200 members. We recommend its reference to the committee on rules and regulations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection, it will be so referred.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a series of resolutions asking that an organization of women called the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic should be officially recognized by the encampment. After full consideration of this, involving circumstances which would not be desirable to report before this body, but nevertheless sufficiently convincing to the committee, we recommend that it be disapproved.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection, it is so disapproved.

Comrade C. H. DAVIS, of Illinois. I want to say one word. Comrades of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, it is not without a little fear or trembling that I stand before

this body of magnificent men. It is my first attendance at the national encampment. The Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic, comrades, is an organization composed of the daughters and granddaughters of honorably discharged soldiers of the Civil War. They have banded together to give aid and comfort to the aged and infirm of the Grand Army of the Republic. They not only do that, but they are banded together to aid and assist the widows of the Grand Army of the Republic. They do not go abroad with sounding brass and tinkling cymbals, but they go in the still hours of the night, watching by the side of those who are passing away, and giving aid and giving comfort to the sick. I stand before this great body to-day a living example of what they did for me, and it is with the greatest pleasure I say it to-day. When I lay at the point of death at my home in the city of Chicago, there are comrades sitting right here that will bear me out in every word I say, when the family physician had practically given me up for dead, and when that grim monster, Death, was attempting to clutch me by the throat, and when he was attempting to breathe his foul, obnoxious breath into my nostrils, one of these women, a stranger to me, came to my rescue. She was a Daughter of the Grand Army of the Republic. She was a daughter of a past department commander of Wisconsin. I had no——

[Cries of "Time."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to say that not 50 men are hearing a word you say. Your voice does not carry back there.

Comrade PILCHER. You are taking up our time to no good.

Comrade DAVIS. I want to place myself right in the record.

Comrade PILCHER. You have done it well.

Past Commander in Chief S. R. VAN SANT. I move the adoption of the report of the committee, and move the previous question.

[Cries of "Second the motion."]

Comrade DAVIS. I move the acceptance that comes from the great State of Illinois. It does not come from the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The first motion I hear is to adopt the report of the committee. All in favor of the motion will say "aye"; contrary, "no." The report of the committee is adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a resolution pertaining to the centenary of the birth of Gen. Grant. It should be referred to the special committee appointed on that subject.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so referred if there is no objection.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is an interesting memorial from the Department of South Dakota reciting the difficulties attending the securing of proper aid to indigent soldiers in certain States where no such provision has yet been made, and urging that the department commanders in those several States make special effort to secure the necessary legislation for their comrades. We move that it be adopted.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is already adopted unless there is objection.

(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas it is a well-known fact that in nearly every State there are many of our comrades and their families who have gotten beyond the time where



they can earn their livelihood, find it almost impossible to get along with simply their pension; and

Whereas several of our States have passed laws to aid these comrades in their distress, which aid is not recognized as charity but as a debt they owe to the men who gave the best years of their lives in keeping this Nation a united Republic; be it

*Resolved*, That the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic heartily indorses the action of the States in passing such laws and most earnestly urges the department commanders of such States as have not yet placed such laws upon their statute books that they take immediate steps to prepare a bill to be presented to the incoming legislatures of their respective States urging the adoption of such a law as will lighten the heavy load many

the veterans of the Civil War are called upon to bear in their declining years.

*Resolved*, That the incoming commander in chief is hereby requested to call special attention to this resolution in his first general order, and otherwise as he may deem proper, urging that the several departments where such laws do not exist, take immediate action to the end that the aid thus provided may come to those who need it while they are still living.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a memorial from Washington with reference to a proposed change in the name of that mountain which, up to the present time, has been called either Mount Tacoma or Mount Rainier, according to the special local predilections of those who mentioned the place. The proposition is that we ask that the name of this mountain be changed to Mount Lincoln. It was very fully presented to the committee at its meeting by a most eloquent address from the representative of that portion of our country, and we were so moved and influenced by what he said that we recommend its adoption by the encampment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Unless there is objection it is so adopted.

(Following is the resolution:)

National encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States, held at Indianapolis, Ind., September, 1920.

To the honorable, the members of the Geographic Board of the United States.

GREETING: Your memorialists, the veterans who volunteered their lives under Lincoln to save this Nation from disunion and destruction, now constitute the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States, who did on many sanguine battle fields preserve its integrity and honor, now in its annual encampment respectfully represent that:

Whereas the great mountain commonly known as "Mount Rainier," in the State of Washington, and situate near the cities of Seattle and Tacoma, is and has been for many years inadequately and unsatisfactorily named to very many American citizens, and the cause of bitter controversies among the people, many of whom always have, and do refuse to call it by its present official name. It was named in honor of an English admiral who was an enemy to America in our seven-years war for freedom, and not by any right of discovery, and it was so named because he *was* our enemy and captured our ships. It was named to please England, not America.

It is a noble mountain, standing more than 14,400 feet high, and visited annually by tens of thousands of American tourists, few of whom have any knowledge of why or how it came to be so named. Its favor lies in being to us but little more than a myth, while all the world would know Lincoln. It is an American mountain and deserves an American name.

God reared the noble monument,  
It waits for a noble name,  
And "Lincoln" well becomes it  
So great is his worthy fame.

Wherefore, your memorialists respectfully petition your honorable body to substitute the most deserving and appropriate name of all, that of "Lincoln," for the name of Rainier. Grant us the right to name the monument, and retain Rainier for the parks and reserves. And the old soldiers now living who fought

under their illustrious leader, and millions of other loyal citizens will ever pray.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a memorial reciting the efforts to mangle the Star-Spangled Banner, and asking action by this body to the effect that the Star-Spangled Banner shall hereafter be published and sung in full as written by Francis S. Key himself. We move its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so adopted if there is no objection. (Following is the resolution:)

Whereas the long-continued and very active unpatriotic actions of many of our otherwise well-meaning citizens deluded by American Tory and unfriendly foreign influences have so misrepresented, abridged, and mutilated our national song—the Star-Spangled Banner—as to rob it of its American spirit—the spirit made sacred to us through its glorious beginning and its spiritual strengthening through our Civil War and other trying times—and to help correct the abuses referred to, we hereby

*Resolve*, That we hereby recognize the Star-Spangled Banner as written by Francis Scott Key during the bombardment of Fort McHenry, September 14, 1814, as our National Song of our country, and we hereby instruct our national patriotic instructor to issue an order to all Grand Army of the Republic State departments that in so far as they can they will take such action as may correct the abuses referred to and that they refuse to participate in any function where the Star-Spangled Banner should properly be sung, unless its whole four verses be there sung.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a communication with reference to the coming celebration at Vicksburg, which I will ask Comrade Cole to read.

(Whereupon Comrade Frank O. Cole. of New Jersey, read the following:)

**ANNOUNCEMENT—DEDICATION AT VICKSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK, MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, OF THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL ARCHWAY.**

Of the \$150,000 appropriated by the United States Congress for the entertainment and comfort of surviving Union and Confederate Civil War veterans attending the never-to-be-forgotten National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee held in Vicksburg National Military Park, in October, 1917, there remained an unexpended surplus fund which, by authority of congressional act of July 11, 1919, the erection of an imposing imperishable Greek Doric Monumental Memorial Archway is being erected in commemoration of the National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee, wherein a complete reconciliation, fraternal amity, and returning friendship after a lapse of half a century's estrangement reigned supreme.

The State of Louisiana has completed a magnificent, enduring Doric Memorial Monument in said Vicksburg National Military Park to commemorate the valiant defense of Vicksburg stronghold in which her 41 military organizations shared.

Unless most important official duties prevent it, the Secretary of War, Mr. Baker, will honor this occasion with his presence and official participation in the impressive ceremonies of dedicating these two monuments on Monday, October 18, 1920.

The governors of the 32 States whose soldiers shared in the siege and defense of Vicksburg are especially invited to attend this notable event, as also are all Civil War veterans, members of all other military organizations, and the public generally cordially invited to participate in this rare incident.

For any desired information on this matter and for reservations at Vicksburg inquirers are urged to communicate with F. A. Roziene, chairman of Vicksburg Arch Commission, 4316 North Kildare Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

F. A. ROZIENE,

*Chairman Vicksburg Arch Commission.*

Comrade PILCHER. That is simply a communication without any recommendation. Here is a resolution of some importance. [Reading:]



Whereas at this and other recent national encampments the attendance has been so large that the lobby, halls, and elevators have been so congested that many comrades have been compelled to walk up long stairways in order to reach the national headquarters for the transaction of business; now, therefore, in order to relieve the comrades from the evils of such congestion,

*Be it resolved*, That at the next and following national encampments, national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic shall not be located or maintained at any hotel where the national headquarters of any other organization, either of the auxiliary or of any of the allied societies, shall be established or maintained, and the executive committee is directed to see to it that the provisions of this resolution are complied with.

The committee recommend its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection to that, it is adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. Here are resolutions from the department of Pennsylvania. [Reading:]

*Resolved*, That at future meetings of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, in order that the business of the encampment shall not be interrupted during the sessions thereof, a semiofficial meeting shall be called by general orders of the commander in chief, prior to the sessions of the national encampment and presided over by the commander in chief, and at such meeting all addresses of welcome and the greetings of our affiliated patriotic organizations shall be presented, and that no visits from representatives of affiliated organizations be permitted at the regular sessions of the encampment.

We recommend its adoption.

Comrade T. C. DE JEAN, of South Dakota. That does not look right. If we had commenced our business when we came here, we would be through with our business to-day.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You are out of order. It has already been adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. A second resolution from the department of Pennsylvania. [Reading:]

*Resolved*, That the column of the parade at such future encampments include:  
First. An escort of uniformed Sons of Veterans not exceeding 100 in number;  
Second. Departments of the Grand Army of the Republic in the order of seniority, excluding from the line of march all persons not members of the order;

Third. All patriotic organizations assigned to places by the commander in chief shall follow the Grand Army in the line of march.

We recommend its adoption.

Comrade ERNEST C. STAHL, of New Jersey. I would like to have that read by Comrade Cole. We can not understand a word.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. It is not necessary to read it. The effect of this resolution is that at all future encampments in the parade there shall be an escort to the commander in chief of not more than 100 Sons of Veterans; that the line of march shall be taken up by the departments in the order of seniority; and that no person, man, woman, or child shall be allowed or permitted in the line of march except the Sons of Veterans, and the 100 veterans of the Sons of Veterans must appear in uniform.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in Chief and comrades, I move to amend by saying "except musicians." Our bands are not comrades of the Grand Army, and you have got to have them.

Comrade H. H. BENGOUGH, of Pennsylvania. Allow me to make an explanation. That was in the original resolution which was sent to the national headquarters. Some way or other the original became

lost, and in rewriting the resolution the bands were omitted. I except the bands of music and patriotic organizations.

Comrade COLE. That was in there, and I failed to state it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That resolution is amended to except the musicians. If there is no further objection, the report of the committee is adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. Here is a report upon the preamble and resolutions pertaining to a committee on federation of patriotic societies which was referred to the committee by the encampment yesterday. You know what it is. It was fully discussed before this body. It was subjected to a prolonged and intimate discussion before the committee on resolutions where every portion of the whole body of the Grand Army of the Republic was adequately represented, and every one had a chance to hear and to talk. The result of our full discussion was the conclusion, very largely supported, that it should not be further considered at the present time; that it was inexpedient to consider it any further at the present time; and that its further consideration should be postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report of the committee. If there is no objection, it will be adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. Comrade Cole will read the next resolution.

Comrade COLE (reading):

*Resolved*, That the committee that prepared the memorial on the life and death of our late Commander in Chief J. D. Bell be directed to prepare suitable resolutions of condolence, and that the incoming administration be directed to have them engrossed and presented to the family of our late comrade.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection, it is so ordered.

Comrade COLE (reading):

We thank the authorities and the good people of Indiana and Indianapolis for the splendid manner in which they have so freely extended their hospitality. The commodious streets, the fine buildings, the beautiful women, the attentive and careful policemen have all contributed to make our visit one long to be remembered. We are specially grateful to the officers and employees of the street railways who have so materially assisted in enabling us to go about the city. As we return to our homes and this encampment becomes a memory, we go with gratitude for what you have done and an earnest prayer that your prosperity may continue.

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania. I move that the report of the committee on resolutions be adopted as a whole as the action of the encampment.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. I want to make a motion on that one resolution.

Comrade COLE (reading):

*Resolved*, That we deem the granting of special rates to these encampments, consecrated as they are to the cause of patriotism and devoid of selfish interest, as being a graceful recognition of services which we have tried to render to our country. We tender our sincere thanks to the railroads which have again granted us this valued favor, so faithfully and tactfully sought by our national officers and the appropriate committee.

I move the adoption of this report by a rising vote.

Comrade ZIMMERMAN. I move that a copy of these resolutions be given to the daily papers.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That will be done. All in favor of the motion to adopt this resolution by a rising vote will rise. It is so adopted.

Comrade PILCHER. That closes the report of the committee on resolutions.

Comrade COLE. I move you, sir, that the resolutions as submitted and adopted seriatim now be adopted by this encampment as a whole. (Seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the report of the committee on resolutions be adopted as a whole. All in favor of the motion say "aye." It is so adopted.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Where is the resolution asking that the name of Sheridan be placed in the Hall of Fame in New York?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I think they have overlooked it, Comrade Tanner.

Comrade COLE. It is here. I will state the substance of it. Comrades, there is in the city of New York connected with New York University a Hall of Fame. There has been placed therein the effigies of distinguished men who have lived and died throughout our country. There is to-day there a memorial of Grant, Sherman, Farragut, and Lee. The committee on resolutions has been asked that we petition the governing body to add to that collection that noted leader, that great cavalryman, the dashing soldier, Gen. Philip H. Sheridan; and the committee has unanimously adopted the resolution and asks this encampment to indorse their action.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Let us vote on that. All who favor the report of the committee will say "aye." Carried.

I want to say just a word. Perhaps it is not exactly in order. I have sent out to the voting members of that commission 104 letters asking them to put the name of Phil Sheridan in the Hall of Fame, and signed it as commander in chief, representing 103,000 men.

(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas the name of Gen. Philip H. Sheridan is eligible for selection for the Hall of Fame of the New York University; and

Whereas military critics have placed Sheridan among the greatest Cavalry generals in the world; and

Whereas the Grand Army of the Republic is proud of the record of "Phil" Sheridan; proud of his great achievements and the fact that he was one of our most illustrious comrades in the great struggle for the preservation of the Union; and

Whereas the names of Grant, Sherman, Farragut, and Lee have already been placed in the Hall of Fame: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Grand Army of the Republic, through its members in national encampment assembled, recommends and indorses the selection of the name of Gen. Philip H. Sheridan for the Hall of Fame and that the electors be notified of this action and urged to vote for Sheridan.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The committee on rules and regulations have the floor.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in Chief and comrades, there have been referred to the committee on rules and regulations two resolutions, one changing the basis of representation to one representative for every 200 members; the other to make past national chaplains members of the national encampment. Neither of these resolutions has been indorsed by a

department or published in general orders, and to adopt them otherwise would be in violation of our organic act. I make this statement for the benefit of the comrades who presented them.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, we have a list of letters waiting to be called for, and I am going to call the biggest man with the biggest voice to read that list, Comrade Willett.

(Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa, then read the list of uncalled-for mail at headquarters.)

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that we now proceed to the nomination and election of officers.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We generally call for invitations for our next encampment before we elect officers. Was the report of the committee on officers' reports made yesterday? Comrade Nordell will read the report of the committee on the reports of officers other than the commander in chief and the quartermaster general by request of the chairman of this committee, Comrade McBride.

Comrade PHILIP A. NORDELL, of Massachusetts (reading):

*To the Commander in Chief and comrades of the Fifty-fourth Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic:*

Your committee appointed to consider the reports of the officers of the national organization beg leave to report that they have attended to this duty.

They find that all these officers have fulfilled their several duties with a commendable degree of fidelity and efficiency.

Certain recommendations presented in the report of the quartermaster general seemed to require special consideration, but as they have already been reported upon by another committee further comment upon them from this committee is unnecessary.

The suggestion of the patriotic instructor that the antiquated blank reports now sent out to the departments be revised so as to conform to present conditions is hereby indorsed.

The report of the committee on legislation recounts the work done by it promoting the passage of the Fuller pension bill, whereby every veteran of the Civil War now receives a minimum pension of \$50 a month. This praiseworthy result is largely due to the untiring efforts of your committee on legislation, whose unselfish efforts should receive the lasting gratitude of every comrade.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT W. McBRIDE, of Indiana, *Chairman*,  
LEWIS S. PILCHER, of New York.  
PHILIP A. NORDELL, of Massachusetts.  
ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, of Nebraska.  
C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania.

I move the adoption of the report.

(The motion prevailed.)

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. I move that we now go into the nomination and selection of the place of holding the next national encampment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is anyone wants to extend an invitation to us to meet with them next year, we are ready to hear them now. I think it is unnecessary to put the motion, comrade. It is the regular order of business, anyway. Does anyone want the encampment next year, or shall we go into the woods?

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in Chief, I understand that no invitation will be extended. I therefore move that the matter of selecting the place of holding our next national encampment be referred to the incoming administration and executive committee, with power to act. (Seconded.)



The **COMMANDER IN CHIEF**. You have heard the motion, comrades. All who favor the motion will manifest it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." The motion prevails.

Unless there should be some unfinished business come up——

Comrade **FRANK O. COLE**, of New Jersey. My motion is now in order, that we proceed to the nomination and election of officers.

The **COMMANDER IN CHIEF**. Unless there is some unfinished or new business to come up, your motion is in order. I hear nothing. We will now proceed to the election of officers. We are ready for the nomination of a commander in chief. Do you want the roll called?

[Cries of "No."]

Past Commander in Chief **SAMUEL R. VAN SANT**. I have great pleasure in placing in nomination for commander in chief William A. Ketcham, of Indianapolis; and if there are no other nominations I move that the rules be suspended and the adjutant general cast the vote for Comrade Ketcham.

Comrade **C. H. WM. RUHE**, of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania takes great pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade Ketcham.

The **COMMANDER IN CHIEF**. I will just wait a moment to see if there are any other nominations.

Past Commander in Chief **JAMES TANNER**. New York had an idea, after the death of Comrade Bell, that it might come to this encampment and present another most worthy comrade; but New York has known Comrade Ketcham for lo these many years. We know the rough side of his nature and we know the smooth side; and you have got to be well acquainted with him for a good many years to find out all the delightful points in his character. New York defers her aspirations to-day until next year, when we shall bring to you the candidacy of Comrade Pilcher. To-day New York unanimously seconds the nomination of Comrade Ketcham for commander in chief.

Past Commander in Chief **ORLANDO A. SOMERS**. For 20 years I have had an opportunity to know the worst of William A. Ketcham, and we present him that you may know the best of him for one year.

Comrade **ROBERT W. MCBRIDE**, of Indiana. I move that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment for William A. Ketcham for commander in chief. (Seconded.)

The **COMMANDER IN CHIEF**. All who favor that motion will say "aye." It is carried. The adjutant general will cast the vote.

Adj. Gen. **JOSEPH W. O'NEALL**. I take great pleasure in obeying the instructions of this encampment and cast the unanimous vote for William A. Ketcham for commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The **COMMANDER IN CHIEF**. I declare William A. Ketcham duly elected commander in chief for the ensuing year.

Comrade **WILLIAM A. KETCHAM**, of Indiana. I think that you ought to be congratulated that I wore my voice out yesterday. I have no voice to-day either for peace or war, but my heart sings with gratitude, and I will not delay you further, except to say that this is the proudest moment of my life [applause], and I hope that I will be able to carry the banner of the Grand Army of the Republic throughout the next year so that the people of this Nation may continue to recognize what a splendid organization it is. I will



not further interfere with the business of the encampment. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The next business before the encampment is nominations for senior vice commander in chief.

Comrade PHILIP A. NORDELL, of Massachusetts. Comrades, I consider it a great privilege to be permitted to present for your consideration and your ballots the name of one of our well-known comrades from Massachusetts. A nominating speech should never be made long. I will make it as brief as possible, possibly not quite so brief as that sermon which Dean Swift was invited to make in favor of a certain charitable institution and was warned also to be brief. He said when he arose, "My text is, 'He that giveth unto the poor lendeth unto the Lord.'" That was the text. His sermon was, "If you are satisfied with the Scripture, down with the dust." And the dust came down. I simply want to say, that in Massachusetts we have a great many people who trace their ancestry back to the *Mayflower*. I have never heard my friend and comrade say anything about his ancestors coming over in the *Mayflower*, but I do say this, that he was born 100 per cent American. Every day of his life since then he has shown the spirit and has preached the gospel of patriotism, of 100 per cent Americanism. [Cries of "Name him!"] Is there anything more necessary than that? That is the kind of a man you want. During his service in the Civil War he volunteered for service that was at the peril of his life, when the officers would not detail men for it. [Cries of "Name him!"]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The longer you holler the longer we will stay here.

Comrade NORDELL. I simply want to present the name of my comrade and the comrade of Massachusetts, George A. Hosley, who has been the chief of staff of five successive commanders in chief and now holds that position, and is well known to you all.

Comrade JOSEPH A. WALTER, of Kansas. I move that the rules be suspended and that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the entire vote for the comrade from Massachusetts.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will first ask if there are any further nominations for senior vice commander in chief? [Cries of "No!"] It is moved and seconded that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment for George A. Hosley for senior vice commander in chief. All in favor of the motion will say "aye." It is unanimous.

Adj. Gen. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL. I again have the pleasure of casting the unanimous vote of this encampment for Comrade George A. Hosley for senior vice commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I declare George A. Hosley duly elected senior vice commander in chief for the ensuing year. Your commander elect wants a word with you.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. I simply want to announce before some of you may run away that immediately upon the adjournment of this encampment and the installation of the elected officers there will be a meeting of the national council of administration at Parlor B in the Columbia Club, which is, as you all know, right on the Circle within a couple of squares from here, and I want every member of that national council of administration pres-



ent at that meeting, immediately upon the installation of the officers, following the adjournment of this encampment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, comrades, let us go through with this business without any further useless discussion. We are ready for nominations for junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade E. A. SHORES, of Washington and Alaska. Comrades of the Grand Army, you have now elected for the head of our grand order for the ensuing year, Comrade Ketcham, of Indiana, in the center, almost, of the United States, of population and geographically. You have reached out your right hand clear over to the Atlantic in Boston and taken Comrade Hosley for your senior vice commander. Now, reach your left hand out to the Pacific and recognize the great State of Washington. We have never had a representation in your national body, and we have out there 2,186 members. [Cries of "Name him!"] J. E. Gandy, of the sunny city of Spokane, Wash.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any further nominations?

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of Potomac. Comrades, it is my pleasure and my duty to present to you for junior vice commander in chief, Comrade Henry A. Johnson, a splendid soldier in the Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania, and now a member of the department of Potomac, a man who has worked in the Grand Army of the Republic faithfully, zealously, and with high ability in every position and duty assigned him. He has always been with us and of us in everything he did. When any work was to be done, Comrade Johnson's only question was where he could best help. For many years he has been the head of the Record and Pension Division of the War Department. This is the bureau which furnishes the Pension Bureau with the evidence it requires in the adjudication of claims. Under Comrade Johnson's able management this work has been systematized until every call of the Pension Bureau has been immediately answered, and the distressing delays of past years entirely eliminated. Comrade Johnson has no superior in all that constitutes a comrade, and will make us an admirable junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade R. H. BARTON, of Idaho. Idaho seconds the nomination of Comrade Gandy, of Spokane.

Comrade R. L. CHASE, of Iowa. I am here to second the nomination of the comrade from Washington. He was from an Iowa regiment.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Inasmuch as we have selected our commander in chief from the Middle West and our senior vice commander in chief from New England, it is proper that we recognize the great Pacific slope, and I therefore hope that the comrade from Washington and Alaska will be elected junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania always echoes the sentiment of fairness in every national encampment, and there is nothing more fair, there is nothing more great, there is no greater manhood in the proceedings of the Grand Army of the Republic than if we have our commander in chief from the center and we go to the East for our senior vice, we have just as good comrades, just as warm blood in the hearts in the West, and I think we should go to the great Pacific coast to get our junior vice commander, and Pennsylvania heartily seconds the nomination of Comrade Gandy.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. New York, by unanimous vote, seconds the nomination of Comrade Johnson, of the District of Columbia. Having lived there for the last 31 years, I know his mettle and his worth, and if any instance or circumstances should arise he is, I assure you, a man capable of carrying the responsibilities of the Grand Army of the Republic up to the high-water mark. You would never have occasion to regret his selection if he be the choice of this encampment.

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. On behalf of the comrades of Kansas and adjacent territory, I take delightful pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade Gandy, of Washington and Alaska, for junior vice commander in chief to accompany the noted comrade from Massachusetts and the splendid comrade from Indiana,

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of Potomac. I recognize the justice of the candidacy from the Pacific coast, and I therefore, very much to my regret, withdraw the name of Comrade Johnson.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief CHARLES B. WILSON. I move the suspension of the rules and that the adjutant general cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade Gandy for junior vice commander in chief. (Seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the rules be suspended and that the adjutant general cast the unanimous ballot of this encampment for Comrade Gandy, of Washington and Alaska. All who favor that motion will say "aye." It is carried.

Adj. Gen. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL. Once more I obey the instructions of this encampment and cast the vote for Comrade Gandy for junior vice commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I declare Comrade Gandy duly elected junior vice commander in chief.

[Cries of "Gandy."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We have not called on the senior vice, and we will not call on the junior vice just now.

Next will be nominations for chaplain in chief. We are ready for nominations. Are there any candidates for chaplain in chief?

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. I have been inspired by the prayers and the services of one of the most devoted and one of the most energetic and serviceable comrades as our department chaplain, and without extending my remarks Kansas asks you to-day to call him to the service of the comrades by this encampment, that his prayers and his services may be rendered to and benefit all of our comrades as they have us in Kansas. He is a comrade with a magnificent military record, an upright life upon the prairies of the State, his service for God and for man is second to none. I take pleasure, on behalf of the department of Kansas, in unitedly asking that you elect Rev. Wm. A. Bosworth, of Post 244, of Wichita, Kans., our chaplain in chief. I assure you, comrades, that he is worthy.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any further nominations?

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move that nominations close.

Comrade C. H. WM. RUHE, of Pennsylvania. I move that the rules be suspended and that the adjutant general cast the ballot of this encampment for Comrade Bosworth.

(The motion prevailed.)



Adj. Gen. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL. I am well acquainted with the comrade and take great pleasure in casting the vote for Comrade Wm. A. Bosworth, of Kansas, for chaplain in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I now declare W. A. Bosworth duly elected chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for the ensuing year.

We are now ready for nominations for surgeon general. We want somebody that will prescribe for us.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. Comrades, I desire to present for surgeon general a comrade, one of five brothers who served in an Illinois regiment. He is the youngest of the five, and as evidence of his ability as a surgeon and physician I will say that he was my family physician for several years and I am still alive. I am not going to take any time with this speech, for it would take an hour to tell of his good qualities and I could tell of his poor ones in two minutes. His name is Dr. C. W. Burrill—that is all I need to say—of Post 4, Kansas City, Mo. He stands as high as any comrade in the Nation; is loved by all who know him and hated by none.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are there any other nominations?

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas. Not for the purpose of imposing any burden on you, I rise to recommend a comrade who has been 51 years a practicing physician, over 50 years a member of the Grand Army, and 45 years a surgeon in the United States Army. He was a surgeon in the Philippine War and in the late World War, and is to-day a young man. I place in nomination that magnificent comrade, that splendid United States surgeon, Comrade Marshall Warner Wood, of Boise, Idaho, a distinguished soldier and citizen.

Comrade R. H. BARTON, of Idaho. I desire to second the nomination of Comrade Wood, a veteran of three wars. He was with Col. Roosevelt at San Juan Hill as division surgeon, and moved his forces up to the very front, took care of the sick, and received the encomiums of Col. Roosevelt. Anyone who has done an act that will receive the encomiums of that great man is certainly worthy of the consideration of this encampment. I take pleasure in seconding the nomination of Col. Wood, of Boise, Idaho.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any other nominations for surgeon general? We have two.

Comrade J. D. HICKS, of Pennsylvania. I move that nominations close.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will ask that Comrade Gist, of Iowa, and Comrade Inman, of Illinois, act as tellers. The rules and regulations require a vote by ballot. If there is no objection, the adjutant general will call the roll of departments, and the chairman of each delegation will announce the vote. If there is no objection, we will ballot in that way. The adjutant general will call the roll of departments. But we must have it quiet.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. The candidates are Dr. Burrill, of Missouri, and Dr. Wood, of Idaho.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I don't want any chairman to vote any more votes than he has got delegates in the seats. Remember that.

(The roll of departments was then called by the adjutant general and the votes announced, as follows:)

Department.	Burrill.	Wood.
Alabama.....	9	.....
Arizona.....	2	.....
Arkansas.....	8	.....
California and Nevada.....	.....	24
Colorado and Wyoming.....	10	.....
Connecticut.....	.....	15
Delaware.....	.....	5
Florida.....	9	.....
Georgia and South Carolina.....	.....	9
Idaho.....	.....	10
Illinois.....	20	2
Indiana.....	17	17
Iowa <sup>1</sup> .....	29	.....
Kansas.....	10	5
Kentucky.....	15	.....
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	.....	.....
Maine.....	14	.....
Maryland.....	12	.....
Massachusetts.....	7	.....
Michigan.....	23	.....
Minnesota.....	1	.....
Missouri.....	21	.....
Montana.....	9	.....
Nebraska.....	.....	12
New Hampshire.....	.....	.....
New Jersey.....	24	.....
New Mexico.....	6	.....
New York.....	.....	39
North Dakota.....	.....	9
Ohio.....	.....	25
Oklahoma.....	9	.....
Oregon.....	1	9
Pennsylvania.....	34	.....
Potomac.....	7	.....
Rhode Island.....	7	.....
South Dakota.....	14	.....
Tennessee.....	.....	16
Texas.....	8	.....
Utah.....	.....	1
Vermont.....	11	.....
Virginia and North Carolina.....	9	.....
Washington and Alaska.....	8	.....
West Virginia.....	10	.....
Wisconsin.....	3	8

<sup>1</sup> When the vote of Iowa was announced the commander in chief said, "Remember you are not to vote for any more men than you have in your delegation in the seats."

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. We have yet the council of administration. I will read the names of the members of the council of administration from the several departments, and if there are any corrections you will please make it known.



(Following is the list of the council of administration as read by the adjutant general, with corrections noted:)

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	Geo. F. Jackson.....	Birmingham.
Arizona.....	E. S. Godfrey.....	Cookstown, N. J.
Arkansas.....	Cos Altenberg.....	Little Rock.
California and Nevada.....	Wm. H. Noll.....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	James E. Jewell.....	Fort Morgan, Colo.
Connecticut.....	Harry L. Beach.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	Wm. Kelley.....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	M. H. Porter.....	Kissimmee.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	Geo. E. Whitman.....	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Idaho.....	Geo. F. Kimery.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	John B. Inman.....	Springfield.
Indiana.....	Orlando A. Somers.....	Kokomo.
Iowa.....	J. W. Willett.....	Tama.
Kansas.....	Scott Kelsey.....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	Americus Whedon.....	Washington, D. C.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	Basile Ulgere.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Alphonzo Rollins.....	Portland.
Maryland.....	John A. Thompson.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Wilfred A. Wetherbee.....	Newton.
Michigan.....	H. A. Chapin.....	Lansing.
Minnesota.....	Philip G. Woodward.....	Anoka.
Missouri.....	John M. Williams.....	California.
Montana.....	George H. Taylor.....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	W. H. Stewart.....	Geneva.
New Hampshire.....	Henry L. Harris.....	Warner.
New Jersey.....	Ernest C. Stahl.....	Trenton.
New Mexico.....	John Greenwald.....	Socorro.
New York.....	George A. Price.....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	Pat H. Cummings.....	Fargo.
Ohio.....	John C. Roland.....	Cleveland.
Oklahoma.....	F. E. Hills.....	Enid.
Oregon.....	J. G. Chambers.....	Portland.
Pennsylvania.....	J. Andrew Wilt.....	Towanda.
Potomac.....	John Middleton.....	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	John A. Medbery.....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	M. M. Baird.....	Sturgis.
Tennessee.....	Newton Hacker.....	Jonesboro.
Texas.....	Henry W. Nye.....	Fort Worth.
Utah.....	H. W. Charter.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	J. A. Thwing.....	Bellows Falls.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	H. W. Weiss.....	Emporia, Va.
Washington and Alaska.....	F. H. Hurd.....	Seattle.
West Virginia.....	Wm. Kiely.....	Charleston.
Wisconsin.....	H. R. Bird.....	Madison.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I understand that several years ago the national encampment ordered that the senior vice commander in chief should be made a member of the executive committee of the council of administration. Am I right?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. He is now a member.

Comrade COLE. The encampment has a right to determine who else shall be on the council, and I would therefore move you, sir, that the executive committee of the council of administration shall be composed of the commander in chief, the senior vice commander in chief, the junior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general, the

quartermaster general, and three members of the council of administration to be selected by the commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We are not through calling the roll yet. You are out of order.

Comrade COLE. Why did you let me speak?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I tried to call you down and couldn't.

Adj. Gen. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL. Comrades, I move the election of the several members of the council of administration.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor of the motion will say "aye."

(The motion prevailed.)

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. You will remember the announcement of the commander in chief-elect, that immediately upon the adjournment of the encampment these members of the council of administration will meet at the Columbia Club.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The tellers will announce the result of the election for surgeon general.

Comrade JOHN B. INMAN, of Illinois. The vote cast for surgeon general was as follows: Number of votes cast, 573; necessary to a choice, 287; of which Comrade Burrill received 367 and Comrade Wood 206.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I declare Comrade Burrill duly elected surgeon general for the ensuing year.

Past Commander in Chief Beers, who was a member of the trustees of the permanent fund, passed away, and during the recess I appointed Comrade Walton Weber, past department commander of Ohio, to fill the vacancy until this encampment met. He must be elected, or some one else, by you.

Comrade W. S. MATTHEWS, of Ohio. I put in nomination the Ohio comrade, Walton Weber, now filling the vacancy caused by the death of Comrade Beers. (Seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded, comrades, that Comrade Walton Weber, who is filling the office now by appointment, be elected to the position of trustee of the permanent fund.

Past Commander in Chief W. J. PATTERSON. There is another vacancy on that board. Commander in Chief Bell, who died, was a trustee.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Commander in Chief, who comprise the trustees of the permanent fund at the present time, and when do their terms expire?

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITS. Patterson, Pilcher, and Weber.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. When do their terms expire?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Two of them expire now. You have got two to elect.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. Which two?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Pilcher and Weber.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. Then I move that Comrade Pilcher be elected to succeed himself on that board of trustees. (Seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that Comrade Pilcher be elected to succeed himself, and it has been moved and seconded that Comrade Weber be elected to succeed himself, as



members of the board of trustees of the permanent fund. All in favor of that will say "aye." It is so ordered.

We will now proceed with the installation of officers. I turn over the gavel to Comrade Burton, who will act as installing officer.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Comrades, as a compliment to our officers elect, I ask as many of you as can to remain. It won't take me 10 minutes. You who remain please come forward. Those who can not remain will please go out of the hall at once.

(The officers elect were then called to the platform.)

The INSTALLING OFFICER. Comrade Ketcham, are you prepared to name any of your appointive officers?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF ELECT. I will name Mahlon D. Butler, of George H. Thomas Post No. 17, Department of Indiana, as adjutant general, and Cola D. R. Stowits, of New York, as quartermaster general. The commander in chief will advise himself further before he announces further appointments.

(The following officers were then duly installed:)

Commander in Chief, William A. Ketcham, of Indiana.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief, George A. Hosley, of Massachusetts.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief, J. E. Gandy, of Washington and Alaska.

Chaplain in Chief, Wm. A. Bosworth, of Kansas.

Surgeon General, C. W. Burrill, of Missouri.

Adjutant General, Mahlon D. Butler, of Indiana.

Quartermaster General, Cola D. R. Stowits, of New York.

(During the installation, the installing officer in advising the officers elect of their duties, said:)

"Comrade Stowits, it would be a work of supererogation to tell you what your duties are. You may be seated.

"The same is practically true of you, Comrade Butler, and you may be seated.

"The surgeon general and the chaplain have been with us many years. The one knows how to physic; the other how to pray. Gentlemen, be seated.

"You three comrades who have been elected to the highest offices have been in the service of the Grand Army for many years. Comrades Hosley and Gandy, you will be seated.

"Comrade Ketcham, the love and affection of your comrades has resulted in placing upon your breast the badge of the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. And for one who has known you intimately for more than 25 years, for one who has served with you upon the committee on resolutions for 25 years, I know that I know you. The comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic have elected you for several reasons. First, as a gallant soldier you won your commission upon the fields of battle. In civil life you have been an exemplification of American citizenship. As attorney general for the great State of Indiana you have demonstrated that a public office is a public trust. I know that no comrade living, and but few dead, have rendered greater service to our organization than have you. We all know that you have the courage of your convictions and the ability to express them without any interpreter. We who know you best and love you most know that you are clean of hands and pure of heart, broad-minded, whole-souled, and with a

heart as tender as a child's. We have confidence, Comrade Ketcham, that your administration will reflect great credit upon you and bring additional honor to the organization which we all love.

"The quartermaster general informs me that the badges are not here, but they will be given to you this afternoon.

"And now, Comrade Ketcham, I give you this gavel of authority, and may God bless you."

(The encampment was called to its feet by the gavel.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF (WILLIAM A. KETCHAM). Commander in Chief, for your many kind words, far beyond my deserts, I desire to say that my heart overflows with gratitude. And to you, my comrades of this great organization, I can express the hope that nothing that I may do and nothing that I may leave undone in the year to come will dim the luster or darken the glory of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

I now declare the Fifty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic closed. (11.45 a. m.)





# REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND OF COMMITTEES

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CHARLES B. WILSON,  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief.





ISIDORE ISAACS,  
Junior Vice Commander in Chief.

## REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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LOS ANGELES, CALIF., *July 27, 1920.*

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR COMRADE: In submitting my report as senior vice commander in chief, I desire first to thank my comrades who so loyally supported me for the office of junior vice commander in chief and for the honor they bestowed on me at the encampment at Columbus, Ohio. On the death of our beloved commander in chief, James D. Bell, and the promotion of Senior Vice Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall to commander in chief, I became senior vice commander in chief, in which office I have, to the best of my ability, performed the duties assigned me. The offices of junior and senior vice commander in chief carry more honor than duties. These officers are not called upon to perform any service unless in their immediate locality.

In January I installed the officers of several posts. When the commander in chief visited the Department of California and Nevada I accompanied him with our department commander, Russell C. Martin, to several receptions and camp fires, and his talks were an inspiration to all the comrades to carry on the work of our order with courage and fidelity. He was received at all gatherings with great enthusiasm. I attended the department encampment of California and Nevada at Santa Barbara, and, at the request of Commander in Chief Hall, represented him there and extended his fraternal greetings to the encampment. By request, I installed the newly elected officers of the department.

During the year I have attended several receptions and parades. At the invitation of the Los Angeles reception committee I represented the Grand Army of the Republic at the reception to King Albert of Belgium and to Gen. Pershing, and also attended Armistice and Appomattox Day celebrations. I was present on Memorial Day at services at the cemetery and auditorium. I have visited several schools during the year and urged the teaching of patriotism, loyalty, love of country and the flag to all of the younger generation.

In retiring from the office you honored me with, I wish to thank Commander in Chief Hall, Adj. Gen. O'Neill, and Q. M. Gen. Stowits for the many favors extended me the past year.

Yours in F., C., and L.,

CHARLES B. WILSON,  
*Senior Vice Commander in Chief.*



## REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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NEW YORK CITY, *August 1, 1920.*

Comrade JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR COMRADE: In compliance with the rules and regulations of our beloved order, and following the example of my predecessors, I have the honor to submit my report of the duties performed by me during the past year as junior vice commander in chief.

One year ago the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, in encampment assembled at Columbus, Ohio, selected as their standard bearer Comrade James D. Bell, of the Department of New York. A short two months thereafter the Great Commander above mustered him out of our ranks, and he answered the last roll call to the realms above. Due to this fact a vacancy existed in the office of junior vice commander in chief, caused by the advancement of the senior and junior vice commanders in chief. The comrades of the national council of administration saw fit to elect me to fill the honorable office, and I desire at this time to return to the comrades my sincere thanks for the honor conferred in promoting me from the ranks and in choosing me in preference to other comrades more qualified to perform the duties of the office.

On receiving the official announcement on January 10, 1920, I immediately made arrangements to devote my whole time to the interests and advancement of our order and beg leave to report the duties performed by me during the year.

On January 24 I was obligated and installed into office by Past Department Commander Lewis S. Pilcher at the headquarters of U. S. Grant Post, No. 327, Department of New York.

On February 13 I attended a reception tendered to our respected commander in chief, Daniel M. Hall, by U. S. Grant Post, No. 327, in the Borough of Kings, city of New York. February 16 I attended a meeting of the executive committee of the council of administration at Atlantic City, N. J. February 17 and 18, in company with the commander in chief, I attended the encampment of the Department of the Potomac in the city of Washington, D. C.

During the month of March I received the sorrowful announcement of the sudden death of our beloved and respected comrade, Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers, and in compliance with orders from headquarters I visited the city of Bridgeport, Conn., to participate in the funeral obsequies and to represent the commander in chief in paying proper tribute to the memory of a gallant soldier and a devoted comrade of our beloved order.

Owing to the inability of the commander in chief to be present at the annual encampment of the Department of Connecticut, at his request I attended the same in the city of Middletown, Conn., April 14 and 15 as his representative. The encampment, while not largely

attended, was very enjoyable. On the evening of the 14th a campfire was held, which was largely attended and at which time an eloquent address was delivered by Gov. Marcus H. Holcomb. I was privileged to address the audience and endeavored in my humble way to impress on all present the importance in these days of unrest of joining in the fight to save the Nation, as we "old boys" did in 1861.

On May 14 and 15 I was privileged to take part in the dedication of the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater at Washington, D. C., erected to commemorate those who died that the Nation might live. It was an impressive sight and one that will long live in my memory as evidence that the Nation is not ungrateful and will always remember the men who gave their all in defense of Old Glory.

On Memorial Day, May 31, I was present in my home city and participated in the proper observance of the day and would state that during my membership of 52 years in the Grand Army of the Republic I never witnessed more evidence of the loyalty and devotion to flag and country.

I attended, with the commander in chief and Adj. Gen. Joseph W. O'Neill, the encampment of the Department of New York in the city of Syracuse June 22-24. Owing to the sudden illness of our beloved commander in chief, he was unable to participate in any of the proceedings and festivities incident to the occasion. It was with deep regret that the comrades and members of the allied organizations were deprived of the privilege of having him address them. I endeavored to make him as comfortable as possible, and during my spare moments I accompanied Adj. Gen. O'Neill in a fraternal visit to the various meetings of the allied organizations.

In my visits to the meetings of our allied organizations I was more than impressed with the great work being performed by the Woman's Relief Corps in endeavoring to alleviate the wants of our distressed comrades and their widows by the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic in endeavoring to inculcate a spirit of loyalty and devotion to country amongst the children of foreign birth, and of the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, our own boys and girls, in their endeavors to keep alive the spirit of patriotism and to remember the deeds performed by their fathers.

In concluding my report I desire to tender my sincere thanks to the commander in chief, to yourself, to the members of the staff, and especially to your able assistant, Miss Flood, "our Kitty," for kindness and favors shown me.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

ISIDORE ISAACS,  
*Junior Vice Commander in Chief.*



## REPORT OF THE SURGEON GENERAL.

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KNOX, IND., August 2, 1920.

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR COMRADE: In contemplating my report I was somewhat at a loss just what to say, when I chanced to meet a past department commander of Indiana, and asked him for advice as to the nature of my annual report to the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. After some thought on the subject, he said: "Be sure to say something good in regard to the conduct of its members."

In following this advice I can think of nothing more appropriate, and at the same time true, than is contained in the following resolution, which I beg to offer: "*Resolved*, That we are all good fellows, and entitled to the very best treatment that we can get." For I am thoroughly convinced that there is nothing in this reunited country of ours that we saved from a disastrous wreck, when we were only boys in our teens, that is too good for us, for we have all passed our threescore years and ten, and many have passed their fourscore years.

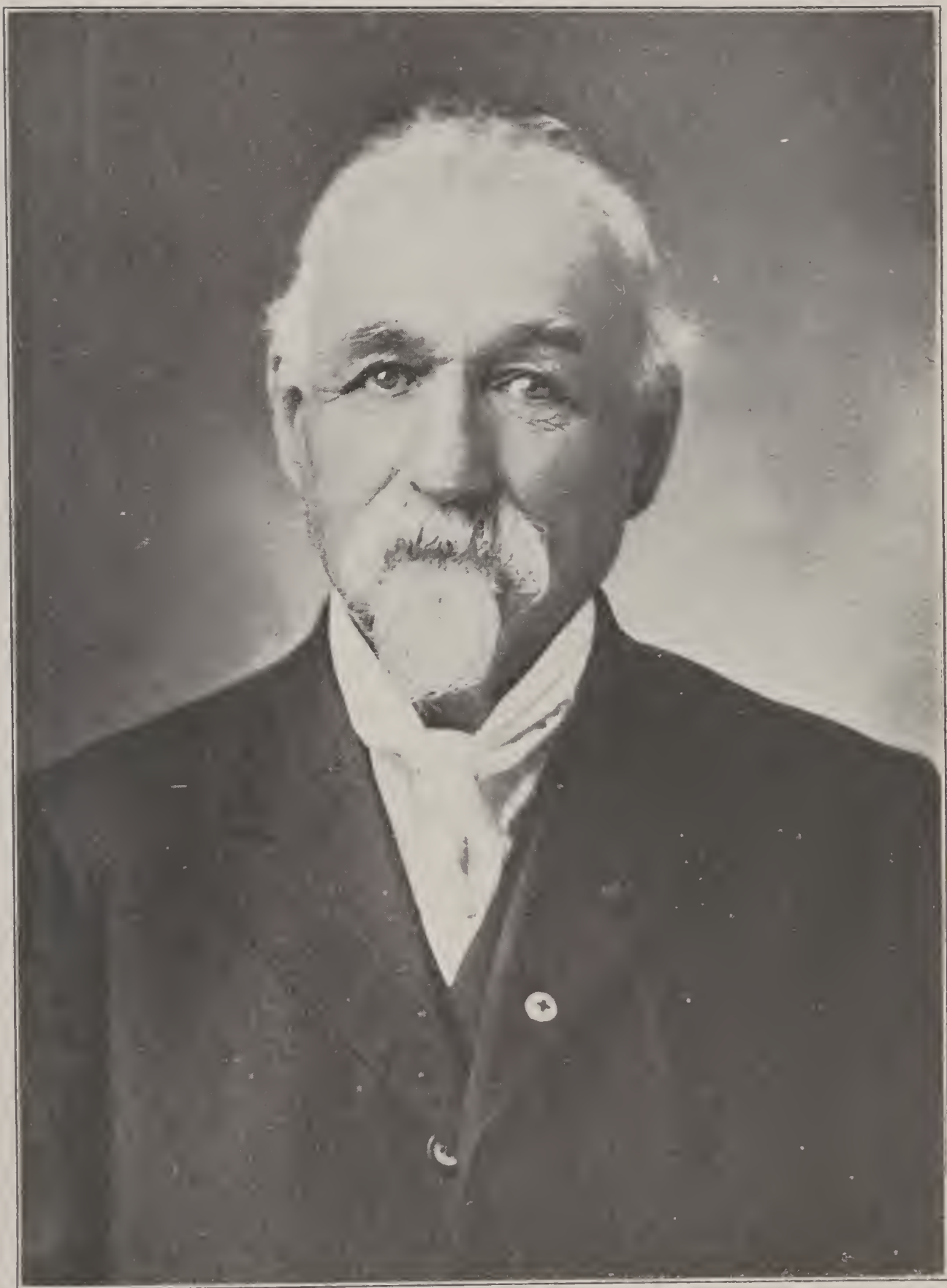
May I suggest, my comrades, that we have all passed our productive stage in life, and the remaining part of the road should be traveled with great caution and care, avoiding all excesses and enjoying all the comforts possible, not forgetting in the meanwhile that we are nearing the end, and that "the old man with long white whiskers, and a scythe over his shoulder" is on our trail.

It has been my privilege to be a member of a pension board since May 3, 1897, having been appointed by that man whom we all loved and revered, and whose memory is an oasis in our lives, William McKinley, and I have made physical examination of several hundred ex-Union soldiers, and I have been able to find some physical defects in nearly every one.

Knowing something of the physical condition of the comrades and having practiced medicine for nearly 50 years, I believe you will be willing to receive a little advice from your retiring surgeon general, so I will advise you to eat sparingly, keep clean and warm, sleep in well-ventilated rooms and on good soft beds; do not get angry or excited about anything that may happen.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

STEPHEN I. BROWN,  
*Surgeon General G. A. R.*



STEPHEN I. BROWN,  
Surgeon General.





WILLIAM W. GIST,  
Chaplain in Chief.

## REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF.

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CEDAR FALLS, IOWA, *July 21, 1920.*

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Columbus Ohio.*

DEAR COMRADE: In submitting my report I bear cheerful testimony to the uniform courtesy extended to me by all national and department officers with whom I have had official relations.

The reports that come from the department chaplains cover 31 items of information relating to the Sabbath services, Memorial Day services, graves decorated, etc. A summary of these figures would be misleading as to the actual facts, because many of the reports are lacking and many of those furnished are incomplete, notwithstanding the diligence of department chaplains. A chaplain of one of the largest departments says he can not tabulate the figures and so gives none at all. I take it that he simply means that so many of the reports are lacking or incomplete that the truth would not be conveyed by giving the figures to the public. The chaplain in chief is of the opinion that the time has come when the form for chaplains' reports should be simplified, so as not to cover so many items. Some department chaplains favor this. Many of the comrades are aged and feeble and find it difficult to make reports. I have tabulated from the 21 reports that have come to me the number of graves decorated and I find them to be nearly 300,000, but we know that there are probably six times that number of graves of those who wore the Blue and it is morally certain that practically all were decorated and marked with our beautiful flag.

The reports in general are full of interest and show that the few remaining comrades are determined to honor the dead. The department of Georgia and South Carolina got returns from but two posts, but it reports 14,300 graves decorated. This indicates the harvest of the battle field and the hospital. Ohio and Pennsylvania had returns from only about 40 per cent of their posts, but they report more than 110,000 graves decorated. Comrade W. T. Hilton says he has been chaplain of the department of Connecticut for 18 years consecutively. In that time the membership has decreased from over 4,200 to less than 1,500, indicating how rapidly comrades are being mustered out. Four posts in Arkansas report that they decorated more than 7,000 graves. Only 80 comrades were present and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic was the only organization assisting. Department Chaplain N. I. Louthian, of South Dakota, died just before the department encampment in June. In his death the department lost a good soldier and a worthy citizen.

Interest in memorial services is not waning, but rather increasing. The Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army, the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, the Spanish War Veterans, the World



War soldiers, the public schools and colleges, other patriotic bodies, and citizens in general seem anxious to do honor to the Civil War veterans. Memorial Day will certainly be perpetuated, but the responsibility will be borne more and more by the younger soldier organizations. Already there is an element of pathos in the services, not felt so much in former years. One town observed the day with elaborate ceremonies with only one Civil War veteran present. Another had only one such soldier living in the place and he was not able to be present. In both places there was a considerable number of graves decorated by appreciative hands. There were many such experiences doubtless and they will become more numerous with the passing years. Naturally not as many veterans preached the memorial sermons as in former years. This year the Sons of Veterans preached three times as many memorial sermons as did their fathers. Pennsylvania led with 40 and Ohio was next. In Florida a son of a Confederate preached the sermon. More Sons of Veterans were orators on Memorial Day than there were of the veterans.

I attended the dedication of the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery on May 15 and offered the invocation and the dedicatory prayer. The occasion was one not to be forgotten. On the 18th of June I gave an address at the funeral of Comrade George A. Newman, adjutant general of the Grand Army in the year 1914-15 and for 20 years assistant adjutant general of the Department of Iowa. He had also served as commander of the same department. He was a man of great business capacity and will be missed at our annual gatherings.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the honor that the comrades conferred on me in electing me to this office. My prayer is that the blessings of Heaven may rest upon the comrades as they approach the evening of life and wait to be mustered out. May they be welcomed by the Supreme Commander on high.

Respectfully submitted.

W. W. GIST,  
*Chaplain in Chief.*







JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
Adjutant General.

## REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO, *August 14, 1920.*

DANIEL M. HALL,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: In compliance with the rules and regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith my report.

Following the death of our beloved commander in chief, James D. Bell, your installation as commander in chief, the removal of headquarters to this city, and the resignation of our esteemed Comrade Isidore Isaacs, I, on the 14th day of November, 1919, at your earnest request and at some financial sacrifice to myself, accepted the office of adjutant general, and have from that day discharged the duties thereof to the very best of my ability. I take this opportunity to most sincerely thank you for your uniform kindness to me during my term of office.

The removal of the national encampment from Atlantic City, N. J., to Indianapolis, Ind., and the securing of the 1-cent-a-mile rate to Indianapolis, have greatly added to the duties of the adjutant general and greatly increased my travels and expenses.

I went with you to Washington three times in connection with the passage of the Fuller pension bill; to the reception tendered you by Grant Post, Brooklyn, N. Y.; to the annual banquet of the Sons of Veterans' Club of Philadelphia; to a meeting of a subcommittee of the executive committee of the national council of administration at Atlantic City; assisted in the service of dedication of the Memorial Amphitheater at Arlington Cemetery; went with Q. M. Gen. Stowits to Atlantic City; attended the encampment of the Department of Kansas at Hutchinson, Kans.; attended campfires in your honor at Kansas City, Mo., and Des Moines, Iowa; represented you at the encampment of the Department of Indiana at Bloomington; and attended with you the New York Encampment at Syracuse.

In the effort to secure reduced rates to the national encampment, I made two trips to Chicago, one to New York City, and went to Washington, D. C., to see the Interstate Commerce Commission. In this connection I want to express my appreciation of the kindness and courtesy shown me at Washington by Mr. Hardee, of the assistance given by Mr. C. A. Fox, chairman of the Central Passenger Association, who aided in every way possible in securing the reduced rate; by Mr. C. M. Burt, chairman of the Trunk Lines Association, to the chairman of each of the other passenger associations, and to Senator James E. Watson, of Indiana, for his invaluable services in securing for us from the Interstate Commerce Commission their approval of the selling of tickets to the encampment on the certificate plan.

The reports show a membership in good standing on December 31, 1919, of 103,258 against a membership in good standing on De-



cember 31, 1918, of 110,357. Loss by death, 8,931. Percentage loss by death, 8 per cent. Considering the advanced age of our comrades, this is a remarkable showing. Gains from all causes during 1919, 6,979. Loss from all causes during said time, 14,078, including 2,538 suspended. Percentage of net loss during the year 1918, 8.7 per cent; during 1919, 5.5 per cent. This, too, under all circumstances is most gratifying.

The report of the Commissioner of Pensions shows that there were on the pension roll December 31, 1919, 259,830 Civil War veterans. Total number of comrades in the Grand Army, in good standing, on December 31, 1919, 103,258. It would, therefore, appear that on said date there were more comrades outside of the Grand Army than in it. This is astounding. How an honorably discharged soldier, sailor, or marine can remain outside of the Grand Army, the greatest patriotic society that has ever been established or ever will exist, composed of men who shot to death secession, rebellion, and human slavery, is beyond my comprehension. The little bronze button is evidence of honorable service and honorable discharge—an emblem more honorable than the Star and Garter, or any other that can be bestowed by king, prince, potentate, or sovereign. It can be legally worn only by members of the Grand Army of the Republic in good standing. Every honorably discharged soldier, sailor, or marine ought to be proud to wear it. I regret to say it is worn by many comrades who have no right to do so. It seems to me that a suspended, dropped, or discharged member should be obliged to return his bronze button and badge to the post of which he was a member, thus putting a stop to the indiscriminate wearing of our button and badge.

With 156,572 honorably discharged veterans outside of our ranks, it would seem that the day of recruiting is not passed. If each of us would resolve to bring into the post one comrade, and do it, the membership would be greatly increased, if not doubled. Membership in the Grand Army should be the pride of every honorably discharged soldier, sailor, and marine. There has never been but one Grand Army and there can never be another. Loyalty to our incoming commander in chief and to our comrades requires that each of us should constitute himself a recruiting officer and get busy.

I fully concur in the recommendation of the quartermaster general, that our per capita tax be increased to 7 cents. Since our pension has been increased to \$50 a month, this will not work a hardship on any of our members. I also recommend that the trustees of the permanent fund be authorized to sell such securities as may afford sufficient funds to carry on the work of national headquarters.

Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, the efficient headquarters secretary, has been of great assistance. Her wide acquaintance with the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, her thorough knowledge of the rules and regulations and of the detail work, render her services invaluable. I shall always be under great obligations to her.

I further wish to return my thanks and best wishes to each and every member of the staff and especially to Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, to the assistant adjutant general of the several departments, to the executive committee of the national council of administration, to the members of the national council of administration in general, and to the members of the committee on legislation, for their kind-

ness and many courtesies shown me, and I want to assure them that it will always be a great pleasure to serve them in any manner possible.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
Adjutant General.

*Consolidated returns of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, showing gains and losses for year ended Dec. 31, 1919.*

Departments.	Dec. 31, 1918.		Dec. 31, 1919.		Posts.		Members.	
	Posts.	Members.	Posts.	Members.	Gain.	Loss.	Gain.	Loss.
Alabama.....	3	58	3	55	.....	.....	.....	3
Arizona.....	5	75	5	75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arkansas.....	7	174	11	243	4	.....	69	.....
California and Nevada.....	94	4,660	92	4,852	.....	2	192	.....
Colorado and Wyoming.....	53	1,426	57	1,406	4	.....	.....	20
Connecticut.....	58	1,640	57	1,489	.....	1	.....	151
Delaware.....	16	259	16	225	.....	.....	.....	34
Florida.....	21	634	19	607	.....	2	.....	27
Georgia and South Carolina ..	7	125	7	116	.....	.....	.....	9
Idaho.....	18	398	18	356	.....	.....	.....	42
Illinois.....	364	8,380	347	7,625	.....	17	.....	755
Indiana.....	240	6,620	231	6,309	.....	9	.....	311
Iowa.....	281	6,201	265	5,977	.....	16	.....	224
Kansas.....	244	5,664	256	5,359	12	.....	.....	305
Kentucky.....	52	604	52	535	.....	.....	.....	69
Louisiana and Mississippi....	18	211	19	242	1	.....	31	.....
Maine.....	110	2,016	111	1,828	1	.....	.....	188
Maryland.....	46	882	46	820	.....	.....	.....	62
Massachusetts.....	197	6,597	196	6,097	.....	1	.....	500
Michigan.....	238	5,115	227	4,667	.....	11	.....	448
Minnesota.....	131	2,254	128	2,015	.....	3	.....	239
Missouri.....	145	3,054	144	2,953	.....	1	.....	101
Montana.....	14	281	13	271	.....	1	.....	10
Nebraska.....	167	2,456	159	2,241	.....	8	.....	215
New Hampshire.....	67	1,107	63	921	.....	4	.....	186
New Jersey.....	91	2,019	90	1,833	.....	1	.....	186
New Mexico.....	8	92	8	86	.....	.....	.....	6
New York.....	484	10,976	471	9,739	.....	13	.....	1,237
North Dakota.....	18	164	16	155	.....	2	.....	9
Ohio.....	439	11,453	428	11,029	.....	11	.....	424
Oklahoma.....	50	979	55	1,039	5	.....	60	.....
Oregon.....	62	1,768	62	1,660	.....	.....	.....	108
Pennsylvania.....	453	10,980	430	10,019	.....	23	.....	961
Potomac.....	12	863	12	782	.....	.....	.....	81
Rhode Island.....	22	722	22	664	.....	.....	.....	58
South Dakota.....	55	672	55	633	.....	.....	.....	39
Tennessee.....	19	498	24	500	5	.....	2	.....
Texas.....	10	242	8	242	.....	2	.....	2
Utah.....	5	189	5	162	.....	.....	.....	27
Vermont.....	83	1,272	83	1,147	.....	.....	.....	125
Virginia and North Carolina...	19	277	20	287	1	.....	10	.....
Washington and Alaska.....	78	2,269	78	2,185	.....	.....	.....	84
West Virginia.....	27	647	27	699	.....	.....	52	.....
Wisconsin.....	173	3,382	168	3,113	.....	5	.....	269
Aggregate.....	4,704	110,357	4,604	103,258	33	133	416	7,515
Net loss.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	6,099



## RECAPITULATION.

Members in good standing, Dec. 31, 1918	110,357
Gains:	
By muster	2,138
By transfer	1,444
By reinstatement	2,176
By reinstatement from delinquent reports	1,221
Total	6,979
Aggregate	117,336
Losses:	
By death	8,931
By honorable discharge	252
By transfer	777
By suspension	2,538
By dishonorable discharge	1
By delinquent reports	687
By surrender of charter	892
Total	14,078
Membership in good standing, Dec. 31, 1919	103,258
Posts in good standing, Dec. 31, 1919	4,604
Net loss for the year	6,099
Total number remaining suspended, Dec. 31, 1919	1,986
Number dropped during the year	532
Number of posts which surrendered charters	113
Number of posts mustered	1
Expended in relief during the year	\$33,690.37
Members and families relieved	828
Other than members relieved	89



WILLIAM S. MATTHEWS,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

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COLA D. R. STOWITS,  
Quartermaster General.

## REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

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BUFFALO, N. Y., *August 10, 1920.*

DANIEL M. HALL,

*Commander in Chief G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER: I submit herewith a statement in detail of the business transacted in the office of the quartermaster general for the term ending August 10, 1920.

The past year has been a trying one, owing to a change of administration caused by the death of our beloved commander in chief, James D. Bell, who passed away at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., on November 1, 1919. The mantle of authority immediately fell upon the shoulders of our most worthy senior vice commander in chief, Daniel M. Hall, who has conducted the affairs of the office of commander in chief to the complete satisfaction of the comrades throughout the country.

Our financial condition at the end of the year is not what I wish it might be, and this is due to the falling off in revenue from per capita tax and sale of supplies, and also to the additional expense that has been necessarily incurred through the change of administration and the change of location of the fifty-fourth national encampment. The transfer of the encampment from Atlantic City to Indianapolis brought about by sinister influence on the part of a New Jersey appointed commission, caused us serious trouble and made necessary a personal reapplication for issue of the rates of railroad fare. The application for rates had to shifted from the eastern district in New York City, where the original rate was made for us, to the central district, with headquarters in Chicago, and the railroad officials in Chicago were obliged to take up the matter with the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington. This necessitated an extra official visit on our part to the cities mentioned and a large amount of extra traveling expenses, which could not have been avoided very well, and which has depleted our general fund to a considerable extent.

The cost of maintaining the order in all branches has increased fully 30 per cent, which is beyond our control. In this connection I wish to say that the revenue derived from the usual sources during the past two years has not been sufficient to meet current running expenses, and I would therefore respectfully recommend that our per capita tax be increased from  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents per year to 7 cents per year. Personally, I do not believe that any comrade, a member in good standing of the Grand Army of the Republic, can reasonably object to paying this small sum to maintain the standing and dignity of the national organization, which has been indefatigable in its efforts and finally succeeded in securing for them a very much increased pension, the minimum being \$50 per month. It does not



seem possible that any comrade can find fault with this increase in per capita tax when it is remembered that they have a minimum pension income of \$600 per year, and we simply ask for 7 cents of that amount, which is the smallest tax imposed upon its members by any organization.

I would further recommend that the rules and regulations be changed by striking out the limit of 10 per cent to be drawn from the permanent fund in any one year—that is, the commander in chief should be empowered to draw such amounts from the permanent fund from time to time, upon requisition from the quartermaster general, as may be absolutely necessary to meet actual requirements. It is very evident that even with an increase in the per capita tax to 7 cents it will not be sufficient to meet our current running expenses, and we shall still be obliged to draw upon the permanent fund. With the advanced age of our order and its membership, conditions similar to those of the past year are to be expected, and we must therefore be financially prepared to meet them. It is also recommended that the trustees of the permanent fund be hereby authorized to sell and transfer in such manner as may be necessary whatever amount of securities held in this fund may be required to conform to the above recommendations. These are strictly matters of business, and must be so considered.

Our faithful auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, has helped us in our urgent necessities by donating the magnificent sum of \$1,000 to the general fund and \$1,000 to the southern memorial fund, and for this timely assistance we are under very many obligations. Had it not been for their generous aid we could not have met the many calls that have been made upon us. We feel confident that we may count upon these noble women to stand by us in the future as they have in the past.

We also wish to acknowledge, with sincere thanks, donations from the Daughters of Veterans, \$608.21; Sons of Veterans Auxiliary, \$250; Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, \$187.75.

We wish to express our thanks to Mr. George H. Carter, clerk of the Joint Committee on Printing, for the time and attention which he devoted to the issue of the Journal of the Fifty-third National Encampment.

And now, my dear commander, with assurances to you and the other national officers that I deeply appreciate the courtesies of which I have been the recipient, and with the hope that the feelings of friendship and comradeship which have existed in the past may grow even stronger as the years roll on, believe me, with kindest regard and best wishes,

Fraternally, yours,

COLA D. R. STOWITS,  
*Quartermaster General.*

## SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

*Transcript of books, Aug. 1 to Sept. 15, 1919.*

BUFFALO, N. Y., September 15, 1919.

Cash balance in all funds, as reported to the Fifty-third National Encampment-----	\$5,092.17
Subsequent receipts:	
Sale of supplies-----	\$221.55
Southern memorial fund refund-----	34.00
Woman's Relief Corps-----	1,000.00
Daughters of Veterans-----	500.00
Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary-----	250.00
Sale of old furniture-----	59.00
	<hr/> 2,064.55
Total-----	7,156.72
Disbursements:	
For supplies-----	513.00
For traveling-----	186.26
For expenses, incidentals-----	298.76
For expense, 1,000 rolls-----	132.35
For expense, 1,000 reports-----	211.25
Deposited in permanent fund-----	750.00
	<hr/> 2,091.62
Total cash in all funds-----	5,065.10
To be credited as follows:	
General fund-----	2,315.56
Southern memorial fund-----	2,749.54
	<hr/> 5,065.10

*Account current.*

## DEBIT.

Cash received for term ended Aug. 10, 1920; balance in all funds as reported in the supplemental report, Sept. 15, 1919-----	\$5,065.10
Subsequent receipts:	
Sale of supplies-----	\$2,367.66
Per capita tax-----	3,611.42
Southern memorial fund-----	1,315.96
Permanent fund, interest-----	2,000.00
Permanent fund, transfer-----	3,000.00
Sale of furniture-----	60.50
Rebate on rent, etc-----	26.11
Interest from bank-----	121.83
	<hr/> 12,503.48
Total-----	17,568.58

## CREDIT.

Cash paid out, term ended Aug. 10, 1920:	
For supplies-----	\$1,429.02
For traveling-----	3,977.38
For salaries-----	3,750.00
For expenses-----	3,944.97
For southern memorial fund-----	1,605.00
	<hr/> 14,706.37
Total cash in all funds, Aug. 10, 1920-----	2,862.21
To be credited as follows:	
General fund-----	1,401.71
Southern memorial fund-----	1,460.50
	<hr/> 2,862.21



ASSETS.

Cash, general fund-----	\$1, 401. 71
Cash, southern memorial fund-----	1, 460. 50
Supplies on hand-----	900. 00
Furniture on hand-----	200. 00
Lithograph stone-----	20. 00
Gun metal-----	100. 00
Free blanks-----	100. 00
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Total-----	\$4, 182. 21

*Sale of supplies for term ended Aug. 10, 1920.*

Alabama-----	\$1. 25	New Jersey-----	\$23. 16
Arizona-----	3. 07	New Mexico-----	-----
Arkansas-----	-----	New York-----	170. 55
California and Nevada-----	297. 75	North Dakota-----	-----
Colorado and Wyoming-----	42. 65	Ohio-----	232. 98
Connecticut-----	9. 09	Oklahoma-----	8. 20
Delaware-----	9. 35	Oregon-----	76. 55
Florida-----	28. 19	Pennsylvania-----	215. 02
Georgia and South Carolina-----	3. 28	Potomac-----	19. 67
Idaho-----	18. 45	Rhode Island-----	10. 06
Illinois-----	90. 40	South Dakota-----	10. 20
Indiana-----	105. 95	Tennessee-----	6. 80
Iowa-----	68. 95	Texas-----	11. 26
Kansas-----	69. 88	Utah-----	6. 19
Kentucky-----	6. 05	Vermont-----	1. 20
Louisiana and Mississippi-----	2. 60	Virginia and North Carolina-----	28. 47
Maine-----	23. 85	Washington and Alaska-----	35. 25
Maryland-----	30. 20	West Virginia-----	3. 50
Massachusetts-----	111. 50	Wisconsin-----	14. 50
Michigan-----	59. 75	Joseph K. Davison's Sons-----	12. 00
Minnesota-----	47. 25	Woman's Relief Corps-----	30. 00
Missouri-----	67. 50	Aids-de-camp-----	315. 42
Montana-----	8. 38	<hr/>	
Nebraska-----	31. 34	Total-----	2, 367. 66
New Hampshire-----	-----		

*Per capita tax, southern memorial fund, interest, etc., received for term ended Aug. 10, 1920.*

Departments.	Feb. 1, 1920.	July 15, 1920.	Southern memorial fund.	General fund.
Alabama.....	\$1. 00	\$1. 00		
Arizona.....	1. 35	1. 35		
Arkansas.....	4. 26	4. 26		
California and Nevada.....	84. 91	84. 91		
Colorado and Wyoming.....	24. 61	24. 60		
Connecticut.....	26. 06	26. 06		
Delaware.....	3. 94	3. 94		
Florida.....	10. 62	10. 62		
Georgia and South Carolina.....	2. 03	2. 03		
Idaho.....	6. 81	6. 81		
Illinois.....	133. 44	133. 44		
Indiana.....	110. 41	110. 41	\$15. 00	
Iowa.....	104. 59	104. 59		
Kansas.....	93. 78	93. 78		
Kentucky.....	9. 36	9. 64		
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	4. 38	4. 38		
Maine.....	31. 99	31. 99		
Maryland.....	14. 35	14. 35		
Massachusetts.....	106. 70	106. 70		
Michigan.....	81. 68	81. 68		
Minnesota.....	35. 27	35. 27		
Missouri.....	51. 68	51. 68		
Montana.....	4. 74	4. 74		
Nebraska.....	39. 22	38. 22		
New Hampshire.....	16. 11	16. 11		
New Jersey.....	32. 07	32. 07		
New Mexico.....	1. 52			
New York.....	170. 44	170. 44		
North Dakota.....	2. 71	2. 71		
Ohio.....	193. 01	193. 01		
Oklahoma.....	15. 36	20. 68		
Oregon.....	29. 05	29. 05		
Pennsylvania.....	175. 34	175. 34		
Potomac.....	13. 68	13. 68		
Rhode Island.....	11. 62	11. 59		
South Dakota.....	11. 08	11. 08		
Tennessee.....	8. 75	8. 75		
Texas.....	4. 25	4. 25		
Utah.....	2. 84	2. 90		
Vermont.....	20. 07	20. 07		
Virginia and North Carolina.....	5. 03	5. 03		
Washington and Alaska.....	38. 25	38. 25		
West Virginia.....	11. 32	11. 32		
Wisconsin.....	54. 48	54. 48	5. 00	
Sale of furniture.....				\$60. 50
Rebate on rent and phone.....				26. 11
W. J. Patterson, treasurer, 1919 interest.....				2, 000. 00
W. J. Patterson, treasurer, 1920 transfer.....				3, 000. 00
Woman's Relief Corps.....			1, 000. 00	
Daughters of Veterans.....			108. 21	
Ladies of G. A. R.....			187. 75	
Interest from bank.....				121. 83
Total.....	1, 804. 16	1, 807. 26	1, 315. 96	5, 208. 44



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Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern memorial fund.	Expense.
1919.							
Oct.	1	1 Isidore Isaacs, Sept 15-30			\$50. 00		\$26. 22
		2 C. D. R. Stowits, September.			41. 66		24. 20
		3 Katharine R. A. Flood, September.			150. 00		5. 21
		4 Charles S. Nathan, office furniture.					88. 00
10	5	Isidore Isaacs, office rent, October.					50. 00
	6	American Surety Co., premium quartermaster general bond.					12. 50
	7	Wagner-Taylor Co., insurance premium on records.					6. 00
11	8	Town Printing Co., letter sheets, etc.					36. 58
18	9	Gordon Elliott, reporting fifty-third national encampment, 3 copies.					200. 00
23	10	J. Krauss & Co., carpets, linoleums, etc.					25. 00
30	11	Isidore Isaacs, October.			100. 00		59. 49
	12	Katharine R. A. Flood, October.			150. 00		
	13	C. D. R. Stowits, October			41. 66		11. 20
	14	John F. James & Sons, rent, headquarters, November.					50. 00
Nov.	6	15 Daniel M. Hall, traveling expense.		\$100. 00			
	8	16 C. D. R. Stowits: Attending funeral of Commander in Chief Bell and at- tending executive committee meet- ing, Atlantic City.		82. 20			
11	17	William L. Smith, auto service, funeral Commander in Chief Bell.					51. 30
	18	Phillips, florist, wreath, etc., Commander in Chief Bell.					26. 00
	19	Stevenson & Marsters, office supplies.					26. 09
12	20	Western Union Telegraph Co., service for November.					8. 98
	21	George A. Price, transportation(5tickets)New York to Atlantic City.		35. 15			
	22	Isidore Isaacs, salary in full to Nov. 15.			50. 00		

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Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern memorial fund.	Expense.
1919.							
Nov.	12	23 Katharine R. A. Flood: Expense, moving office from Brooklyn to Columbus.....					\$36. 03
		24 Trip, Brooklyn and Boston to Columbus.....		\$60. 91			
	20	24 T. J. O'Neill, floor covering, Columbus.....					70. 00
		25 Columbus Transfer Co., moving furniture.....					5. 00
		26 Daniel M. Hall, express charges from Brooklyn to Columbus.....					25. 49
		27 Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges, buttons, etc.....	\$310. 00				
	29	28 Katharine R. A. Flood, November.....			\$150. 00		
		29 C. D. R. Stowits, November.....			41. 66		7. 25
		30 Joseph W. O'Neill: Nov. 15 30.....			50. 00		8. 28
		Trip to Toledo.....		14. 55			
		Premium on bond.....					2. 50
		31 Western Union Telegraph Co., service, Nov. 1-15.....					30. 59
Dec.	2	32 Daniel M. Hall, traveling expense.....		200. 00			
		33 J. H. Holcomb, September, October, and November.....			75. 00		25. 06
	2	34 Jos. K. Davison's Sons, buttons, etc.....	91. 00				
	5	35 Columbus Blank Book Co., desk, chairs, and cabinet.....					94. 00
		36 Underwood Typewriter Co., No. 5 machine.....					91. 50
		37 Town Printing Co., general orders, blanks letterheads, etc.....					399. 22
		38 Hann & Adair Printing Co.: Stamped envelopes.....					97. 65
		Special Order No. 1.....					24. 25
	20	39 Central Union Phone Co., service for December.....					6. 32
		40 Orlando A. Somers, legislation committee, Washington, D. C.....		73. 30			
		41 Washington Gardner, legislation committee, Washington, D. C.....		92. 54			
		42 Katharine R. A. Flood, December.....			150. 00		



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Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern memorial fund.	Expense.
1919. Dec.	20	43 Joseph W. O'Neill: December.....			\$100.00		\$8.04
		Legislation committee, Washington, D. C.....		\$75.78			
		44 C. D. R. Stowits, December.....			41.66		6.50
	23	45 J. Payson Bradley, legislation committee, Washington, D. C.....		44.13			
1920. Jan.	10	46 Jos. K. Davison's Sons, buttons, etc.....	\$168.00				
		47 Joseph W. O'Neill: Legislation committee, Washington, D. C.....		73.27			
		Stenographer's work.....					50.00
		48 John C. Roland, attending meeting at Columbus.....		17.21			
		49 C. D. R. Stowits, attending meeting at Columbus.....		31.53			
		50 Daniel M. Hall, traveling expense.....		200.00			
	10	51 Katharine R. A. Flood, trip with commander in chief and adjutant general, Washington, D. C.....		24.93			
	15	52 Central Union Phone Co., service for January.....					6.50
	20	53 Hann & Adair Printing Co., General Orders No. 4.....					94.46
	29	54 W. A. Ketcham, trip to Columbus.....		18.63			
		55 Katharine R. A. Flood, January.....			150.00		
		56 Joseph W. O'Neill: January.....			100.00		19.07
		Trip to Cincinnati, etc.....		29.63			
		57 C. D. R. Stowits, January.....			41.66		7.50
Feb.	7	58 Central Union Phone Co., service for February.....					5.50
		59 Frankenburg Bros., 500 mailing tubes.....					9.00
		60 Columbus Blank Book Co., office supplies.....					13.55
		61 Jos. K. Davison's Sons, rank straps.....	95.50				
		62 Hann & Adair Print. Co. stationery, etc.....					30.20
	18	63 Washington Gardner, trip to Washington, D. C.....		89.76			

*Disbursements for the term ended Aug. 10, 1920, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern memorial fund.	Expense.
1920.							
Feb0.	18	64 Joseph W. O Neall, trip to New York, Washington, and Atlantic City.		\$121.40			
		65 C. D. R. Stowits, trip to Philadelphia and Atlantic City.		42.50			
		66 John C. Roland, Ex-Committee, trip to Atlantic City.		41.67			
		67 John B. Inman, trip to Atlantic City.		95.17			
		68 Daniel M. Hall, traveling expense.		400.00			
	26	69 Katharine R. A. Flood, February.			\$150.00		
		70 Joseph W. O'Neall, February.			100.00		\$21.94
		71 C. D. R. Stowits, February.			41.66		5.50
Mar.	2	72 J. H. Holcomb, December, January, February.			75.00		24.00
	8	73 Central Union Phone Co., service for March.					5.50
		74 Western Union Tele. Co., service for February.					14.44
		75 J. Andrew Wilt, trip, Atlantic City.		22.96			
	30	76 Katharine R. A. Flood, March.			150.00		
		77 Joseph W. O'Neall: March.			100.00		18.07
		Extra compensation.					50.00
		78 C. D. R. Stowits, March.			41.66		7.25
Apr.	5	79 Isidore Isaacs, trip to Atlantic City.		28.75			
		80 Central Union Phone Co., service for April.					5.50
	20	81 James Horan & Son, flowers, Beers funeral.					20.00
		82 Isidore Isaacs, attending Connecticut encampment.		15.25			
		83 Town Printing Co., printing and postage.					41.90
		84 The Ohio Co., general orders, etc. (10,000).					145.79
		85 Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges and rank straps.	\$203.52				
	28	86 Katharine R. A. Flood, April.			150.00		
		87 Joseph W. O'Neall: April.			100.00		51.59
		Extra compensation.					50.00
		88 C. D. R. Stowits, April.			41.66		6.50
May	4	89 Daniel M. Hall, traveling expense.		400.00			



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Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern memorial fund.	Expense.
1920.							
May	4	90 John A. Barr, department commander, Alabama.				\$50.00	
		91 I. A. Spencer, department commander, Florida.				80.00	
		92 F. A. Jones, for department commander, Georgia and South Carolina.				300.00	
		93 E. T. Gipson, department commander, Louisiana and Mississippi.				200.00	
		94 Max Hart, department commander, Texas.				50.00	
		95 Charles H. Haber, department commander, Virginia and North Carolina.				600.00	
		96 Jacob E. Leas, department commander, Arkansas.				125.00	
		97 O. L. Thompson, department commander, Tennessee.				200.00	
		98 Public Printer, Washington, D. C., 1,000 paper and 200 cloth Journals, Fifty-third National Encampment.					\$262.87
		99 Central Union Phone Co. service for May.					6.50
29	100	Katharine R. A. Flood, May.			\$150.00		
	101	Joseph W. O'Neill: May.			100.00		12.73
		Extra compensation.					50.00
	102	C. D. R. Stowits, May.			41.66		7.25
	103	Joseph W. O'Neill: Attending Arlington dedication.					
		Kansas, Iowa, and Indiana encampments.		\$249.54			
	104	Geo. A. Hosley, trip, Washington and Atlantic City.		19.83			
June	5	105 Central Union Phone Co., service for June.					6.00
		106 Western Union Telegraph Co., service for May.					20.72
	7	107 J. H. Holcomb, March, April, and May.			75.00		13.25
		108 Daniel M. Hall, traveling expense.		200.00			
12	109	C. D. R. Stowits: Trip, Philadelphia and Atlantic City, June 7-10.		41.25			

*Disbursements for the term ended Aug. 10, 1920, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern memorial fund.	Expense.
1920.							
June 19	110	C. D. R. Stowits—Con. Trip, Columbus, June 18–19.....		\$31. 25			
	111	Joseph W. O'Neill, trip, Atlantic City, etc., June 7–10.....		94. 71			
	112	P. G. Woodward, attending Columbus meeting.....		72. 86			
	113	John B. Inman, attending Columbus meeting.....		39. 35			
	114	George A. Price, attending Columbus meeting.....		62. 90			
	115	J. W. Willett, attending Columbus meeting.....		71. 40			
	116	J. C. Roland, attending Columbus meeting.....		16. 65			
	117	J. Andrew Wilt, attending Columbus meeting.....		40. 90			
28	118	Katharine R. A. Flood, June.....			\$150. 00		
	119	Joseph W. O'Neill: June.....			100. 00		\$11. 93
		Extra compensation.....					50. 00
	120	C. D. R. Stowits, June.....			41. 66		7. 65
	121	Geo. A. Hosley, attending Maine encampment.....		15. 15			
	122	Griffiths-Stillings Press, 1,000 commissions.....					75. 00
30	123	C. D. R. Stowits, trip to Indianapolis.....		45. 40			
	124	Joseph W. O'Neill, trip, New York, Chicago, and Indianapolis.....		135. 84			
	125	Katharine R. A. Flood, trip with commander in chief to Indianapolis.....		20. 75			
July 7	126	Central Union Phone Co., service for July.....					6. 00
	127	A. M. Trimble, editing Journal of Fifty-third National Encampment.....					208. 22
	128	Hann & Adair Printing Co., circular letters, etc.....					7. 20
	129	Town Printing Co., patriotic instructors' reports.....					40. 00
	130	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges, rank straps, etc.....	\$219. 75				
24	131	Joseph W. O'Neill, trip to Washington, D. C., July 14–17.....		102. 26			
	132	Town Printing Co., commissions and electro cuts.....	36. 25				20. 00



*Disbursements for the term ended Aug. 10, 1920, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Southern memorial fund.	Expense.
1920.							
July	24	133 Western Union Telegraph Co., service for June.....					\$65.91
	29	134 Katharine R. A. Flood, July.....			\$150.00		
		135 Joseph W. O'Neill: July.....			100.00		35.35
		Extra compensation.....					50.00
		Extra stenographic expense.....					45.00
	136	C. D. R. Stowits, July....			41.66		15.25
Aug.	2	137 Joseph W. O'Neill, trip, Chicago and Cincinnati.....		\$51.17			
	138	Katharine R. A. Flood, trip to Indianapolis and Cincinnati.....		34.95			
	139	Daniel M. Hall, traveling expense.....		200.00			
	140	Jaccard Jewelry Co., Kansas City, testimonial to Past Commander in Chief Adams.....					497.00
	141	Joseph W. O'Neill, salary for balance of term.....			100.00		
	142	Katharine R. A. Flood, salary for balance of term.....			150.00		
	143	C. D. R. Stowits, salary for balance of term....			41.74		
	144	J. H. Holcomb, June, July, and August.....			75.00		32.00
	145	George Durban, Cincinnati, Ohio, flowers for Past Commander in Chief Monfort's funeral.....					18.00
	5	146 Central Phone Co., service for August.....					6.00
	147	Western Union Telegraph Co., service for July.....					13.73
	148	Hosea W. Rood, expense for term.....					14.20
	7	149 Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges and rank straps.....	\$245.00				
	150	Samuel P. Town, transfers and discharges (4,000).....	60.00				
		Total.....	1,429.02	3,977.38	3,750.00	\$1,605.00	3,944.97

Supplies on hand, purchased, issued, and remaining on hand for the term ended Aug. 10, 1920, by C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.

	Rules and regula- tions.	Rituals.	Officers' cards.	Service books.	Odes.	Applications.	Leaves of absence.	Transfers.	Discharges.
On hand Aug. 1, 1919.....	1, 992	15	2, 111	1, 350	400	5, 217	1, 040	268	.....
Purchased, per contract.....								3, 000	1, 000
Total to be accounted for.....	1, 992	15	2, 111	1, 350	400	5, 217	1, 040	3, 268	1, 000
Issued.....	222	15	203	631	.....	2, 269	845	1, 207	25
Balance on hand Aug. 10, 1920.....	1, 770	.....	1, 908	989	400	2, 948	195	2, 061	975

	Post charters.	Descriptive books.	Badges.	Rank straps.	Buttons.	Ribbons, pieces.	Electrotypes.	Blue books.	Cost.
On hand Aug. 1, 1919.....	203	.....	.....	304	69	40	.....	197	\$750. 00
Purchased, per contract.....			2, 085	1, 929	8, 200	5	50	.....	1, 708. 02
Total to be accounted for.	203	.....	2, 085	2, 233	8, 269	45	50	197	2, 458. 02
Issued.....	14	.....	1, 845	1, 194	7, 606	21	15	54	2, 367. 66
Balance on hand Aug. 10, 1920.....	189	.....	240	1, 039	663	24	35	143	900. 00

Supplies purchased by C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, during term ended Aug. 10, 1920.

From whom purchased.	Date.	Transfers.	Discharges.	Badges.	Rank straps.	Buttons.	Strap ribbons.	Electrotypes.	Cost.
Joseph K. Davison's Sons.	1919								
Do.....	Aug.-Sept.	.....	.....	500	340	700	.....	.....	\$279. 00
Do.....	Oct.	.....	.....	525	102	1, 700	2	.....	310 00
Do.....	Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1, 300	.....	.....	91 00
Do.....	Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	2, 400	.....	.....	168. 00
Do.....	1920								
Do.....	Jan.	.....	.....	.....	382	.....	.....	.....	95. 50
Do.....	Mar.-Apr.	.....	.....	325	435	.....	2	.....	203. 52
Do.....	June.	.....	.....	210	16	2, 100	1	.....	219. 75
Town Printing Co.....	July.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	36. 25
Do.....	do.	3, 000	1, 000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60. 00
Joseph K. Davison's Sons.	do.	.....	.....	525	350	.....	.....	.....	245. 00
Total.....		3, 000	1, 000	2, 085	1, 625	8, 200	5	50	1, 708 02



*Statement of total number of posts, membership and financial condition of the departments of the Grand Army of the Republic, Jan. 1, 1920.*

[Compiled by Cola R. D. Stowits, quartermaster general.]

Departments.	Total posts.	Members.	Value of real estate.	Cash, post and relief.	Furnishings.	Total value of property.
Alabama.....	3	55	\$260. 00	\$171. 99	\$152. 00	\$583. 99
Arizona.....	3	75	.....	260. 96	.....	260. 96
Arkansas.....	11	243	.....	281. 14	150. 00	431. 14
California and Nevada.....	92	4, 852	6, 355. 92	19, 502. 98	6, 538. 35	32, 397. 25
Colorado and Wyoming....	57	1, 406	8, 645. 24	4, 626. 09	2, 916. 80	16, 188. 13
Connecticut....	57	1, 489	53, 027. 43	44, 868. 24	18, 360. 57	116, 256. 24
Delaware.....	16	225	.....	1, 208. 10	1, 867. 35	3, 075. 45
Florida.....	19	607	4, 100. 00	.....	36. 64	4, 136. 64
Georgia and South Carolina.....	7	116	1, 050. 65	185. 87	150. 00	1, 386. 52
Idaho.....	18	356	10, 781. 62	1, 084. 55	795. 00	12, 661. 17
Illinois.....	347	7, 625	41, 590. 00	39, 339. 98	22, 189. 87	103, 119. 85
Indiana.....	231	6, 309	3, 789. 40	59, 390. 40	8, 418. 46	71, 598. 26
Iowa.....	265	5, 977	25, 480. 00	27, 739. 14	1, 860. 00	55, 079. 14
Kansas.....	256	5, 359	14, 670. 00	8, 515. 53	9, 375. 50	32, 561. 03
Kentucky.....	52	535	200. 00	279. 30	1, 000. 00	1, 479. 30
Louisiana and Mississippi...	19	242	.....	683. 34	364. 75	1, 048. 09
Maine.....	111	1, 828	50, 320. 00	20, 344. 84	16, 352. 85	87, 017. 69
Maryland.....	46	820	5, 000. 00	12, 170. 60	3, 450. 00	20, 620. 60
Massachusetts..	196	6, 097	150, 000. 00	138, 377. 05	4, 000. 00	292, 377. 05
Michigan.....	227	4, 667	14, 200. 00	9, 170. 42	23, 232. 89	46, 603. 31
Minnesota.....	128	2, 015	3, 380. 00	6, 311. 71	6, 278. 00	15, 969. 71
Missouri.....	144	2, 953	3, 313. 66	58, 902. 19	5, 161. 15	67, 377. 00
Montana.....	13	271	1, 124. 80	2, 066. 82	395. 00	3, 586. 62
Nebraska.....	159	2, 241	28, 890. 00	19, 760. 63	5, 888. 70	54, 539. 33
New Hampshire	63	921	29, 632. 50	19, 527. 56	17, 465. 26	66, 625. 32
New Jersey.....	90	1, 833	39, 344. 10	38, 535. 01	12, 742. 78	90, 621. 89
New Mexico....	8	86	170. 05	.....	.....	170. 05
New York.....	471	9, 739	36, 227. 31	95, 938. 83	64, 904. 06	197, 070. 20
North Dakota..	16	155	2, 066. 40	314. 29	649. 40	3, 030. 09
Ohio.....	428	11, 029	31, 442. 00	49, 536. 51	25, 769. 15	106, 747. 66
Oklahoma.....	55	1, 039	500. 00	1, 486. 34	960. 00	2, 946. 34
Oregon.....	62	1, 660	2, 500. 00	8, 637. 45	2, 242. 35	13, 379. 80
Pennsylvania..	430	10, 019	190, 000. 00	53, 217. 26	12, 000. 00	255, 217. 26
Potomac.....	12	782	.....	16, 026. 33	1, 020. 60	17, 046. 93
Rhode Island..	22	664	.....	14, 577. 55	7, 453. 56	22, 031. 11
South Dakota..	55	633	.....	393. 40	200. 00	593. 40
Tennessee.....	24	500	.....	700. 00	.....	700. 00
Texas.....	8	242	1, 200. 00	102. 98	550. 00	1, 852. 98
Utah.....	5	162	954. 60	1, 199. 99	150. 00	2, 304. 59
Vermont.....	83	1, 147	1, 785. 00	11, 224. 44	7, 212. 14	20, 221. 58
Virginia and North Carolina.....	20	187	160. 00	48. 76	70. 00	278. 76
Washington and Alaska.....	78	2, 185	3, 427. 00	2, 606. 82	4, 538. 20	10, 572. 02
West Virginia..	27	699	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wisconsin.....	168	3, 113	14, 874. 00	13, 362. 73	17, 069. 83	45, 306. 56
Total.....	4, 604	103, 258	780, 291. 63	802, 848. 17	313, 931. 21	1,897,071. 01



J. HENRY HOLCOMB,  
Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian.





WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
Judge Advocate General.

# REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL AND CUSTODIAN.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., August 10, 1920.

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

COMRADE: I have the honor to make this, the twenty-fifth annual consecutive report of the work of my office for the term ending as above.

Agreeable to my recommendation made to the Fifty-second National Encampment which was approved by that body, the commander in chief communicated with the Congressional Library in Washington and arrangements were made for that institution to take over the archives of the Grand Army of the Republic and to make proper provision for them. Accordingly, on the 24th of June I had them packed in six large cases and shipped to Washington and the Librarian has made acknowledgment of their receipt. I am still receiving some department journals, which I will take care of and forward them to the Library. I recommend that the assistant adjutants general put the Congressional Library on their mailing list, so that the files may be kept filled up.

I have purchased and sent out all supplies for use by the Grand Army of the Republic under the supervision of the quartermaster general.

Full schedules of all supplies on hand, purchased, issued, and now remaining on hand, appear in the report of the quartermaster general.

The following "free blanks" have also been furnished the departments, viz:

Forms A and B (report of adjutant and quartermaster) .....	11, 364
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Form E-2 (report of department inspector, consolidated) .....	13
Form H (report of post inspector) .....	1, 600
Form I (requisition for supplies) .....	374
Report of post chaplain .....	4, 093
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Report of patriotic instructor (post) .....	3, 385
Report of patriotic instructor (department) .....	75
Credentials of members .....	200

I acknowledge with pleasure the kind and courteous treatment accorded to me by the commander in chief, by yourself, by the quartermaster general, and by all others with whom I have had official relations. and remain,

Yours fraternally,

J. HENRY HOLCOMB,  
*Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian.*



## REPORT OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL.

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INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *July 20, 1920.*

Comrade JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,

*Adjutant General Grand Army of the Republic:*

I have the honor to submit herewith for the use of the commander in chief my report as judge advocate general of the Grand Army of the Republic for the year past.

I have had submitted to me for formal opinions but two cases, and in these, briefly summarized, my opinions were as follows:

### IN CASE NO. 1.

On the appeal of Comrade Stagg from the action of the department commander of Kansas in refusing to call a meeting of the council of administration, it was my opinion (1) that the appeal should be sustained, and (2) that the department commander of Kansas should be directed to convene the council of administration for the consideration of such matters as might be brought before it.

### IN CASE NO. 2.

On the appeal of Comrade Charles Collard Adams, of the Department of Connecticut, it was my opinion that the appeal should be denied and the matters presented dismissed from further consideration either by yourself or myself.

For the reasons controlling my recommendations I beg to refer to the opinions themselves, copies of which, designated, respectively, as Exhibits "A" and "B", are attached hereto as a part of this report.

There was one other matter upon which I was orally consulted by you and which bade fair to present some serious and troublesome questions for the consideration of each of us, but the matters, as I am advised, were satisfactorily adjusted by a personal visit of the commander in chief to the department in question. I can see no useful purpose to be subserved by further reference to it.

The untimely death of Commander in Chief Bell prevented my having any official relations with him and my relations to Commander in Chief Hall and yourself have been of so pleasant and satisfactory a character that I feel it incumbent on me to recognize the privilege of serving under you and to express the wish that our friendly relations may long continue after our official relations have been terminated.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Judge Advocate General.*

## EXHIBIT A.

(Opinion No. 1, Oct. 23, 1919.)

In the matter of the appeal of Comrade W. J. Stagg from the action of the department commander of Kansas, refusing to call a meeting of the council of administration.

## SYLLABUS.

1. The appeal of Comrade Stagg from the action of Department Commander Gardner in refusing to call a meeting of the council of administration should be sustained, it being the duty of the department commander to convene the council of administration as requested by seven members thereof, as suggested by Past Commander in Chief Adams.

2. The department commander decides who were properly elected members of the council of administration and the department commander had no power after the department encampment had adjourned to question or deny the right to participate as a member of the council of administration upon the suggestion, whether embodied in an affidavit or otherwise, that the comrade claiming to be a member of the council of administration had not been properly elected.

3. The department commander, after the adjournment of the department encampment, is powerless to override or overrule the decision of the encampment upon any matter properly before it.

Hon. JAMES D. BELL,

*Commander in Chief, G. A. R.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I have received from you a batch of papers, a list of which is attached to this opinion, and my opinion is requested in your letter of the 20th.

In response to that request I beg to say:

While the papers themselves are not in the precise form that a transcript from a lower to a higher court would present, I think it sufficiently appears that what is complained of is that the department commander had refused, upon proper request by seven members of the council of administration, to call a meeting of the council "for the purpose of straightening out the affairs of the department"—among other things, the approval or disapproval of the bond of the new assistant quartermaster general—it further appearing that Past Commander in Chief Adams had directed in a somewhat informal way the department commander to convene the council of administration.

Among the papers submitted is an affidavit, sworn to by one Ira F. Collins on the 1st of September, professing to show that he, and not Comrade Stagg, was elected a member of the council of administration, and a letter from the department commander to Comrade Stagg, under date of September 4, purporting to inform the latter that his seat as a member of the council had been contested, as shown by the copy of a document filed, being the affidavit of Comrade Collins.

It appears from the papers that the department encampment was held at Wichita on the 22d of May last, and that that encampment had selected, among others, Comrade Stagg as a member of the council of administration.

Who should constitute the council of administration was a matter for the department encampment to decide, and it was altogether too late, in my opinion, for Comrade Collins or the department commander to assume that Comrade Stagg was not a member of the council of administration, or that his right was contested, based on the affidavit of Comrade Collins made some three months later.

If there was any power in anyone to question the right of Comrade Stagg to a place on the council of administration, the most that could be said—and I seriously doubt whether that much could be said—is that that would be a matter for the council of administration, when properly convened, to decide. The department commander had no right or shadow of authority, in my opinion, to question Comrade Stagg's right to his place on the council.

I am, therefore, of the opinion: (1) That the appeal of Comrade Stagg should be sustained; (2) that the department commander of Kansas should forthwith be directed by the commander in chief to call a meeting of the council of administration promptly upon the receipt of the order from the commander in chief,



at which meeting any and all questions proper to be considered by the council of administration should be taken up and determined by it.

I herewith return the papers transmitted to me. I have the honor to be,

Very sincerely, yours in F., C., and L.,

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Judge Advocate General.*

*List of papers submitted to the Judge Advocate General in connection with the request for his opinion.*

1. The letter of Commander in Chief Adams to Department Commander Gardner, dated August 18.
2. Letter from Commander in Chief Adams to Comrade Stagg of same date.
3. Letter from A. A. G. Denison to Commander in Chief Adams of August 19.
4. Letter of Department Commander Gardner to Commander in Chief Adams of August 25.
5. Copy of suggestions of Commander in Chief Adams, without date, as to what should be done in the matter of the bond of the assistant quartermaster general.
6. (a) A typewritten letter from Comrade Stagg to the comrades of the department of Kansas, bearing date of August 26; (b) printed copy of same.
7. (a) A typewritten statement of Past Commander Smith; (b) printed copy of same signed by Past Department Commander Smith and Past Asst. Q. M. Gen. Sweeney.
8. Letter from Comrade Stagg to Commander in Chief Adams, dated August 27.
9. Letter of Department Commander Gardner to Commander in Chief Adams of September 4, inclosing copy of the Collins affidavit.
10. Affidavit of Collins as to his candidacy for council of administration and the action of Past Department Commander Coney in relation thereto.
11. Copy of letter of Department Commander Gardner, dated September 4, to Comrade Stagg, advising him of the affidavit of Comrade Collins and that until the contest was settled the first district would not be represented in the council.
12. Letter of Comrade Stagg to Past Commander in Chief Adams under date of October 14.
13. Letter from Past Commander in Chief Adams to Commander in Chief Bell, dated October 15.

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#### EXHIBIT B.

(Opinion No. 2.)

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *February 9, 1920.*

Comrade DANIEL M. HALL,

*Commander in Chief, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER: I have received a manuscript communication from Charles Collard Adams, from Cromwell, Conn., covering some five pages, which I have carefully considered, and a pound and a half of other papers, which I have neither read nor considered, and with respect to the situation as it presents itself to me beg to submit the following:

#### SYLLABUS.

The record submitted does not justify an examination of the grave charges made against the officers of Wadhams Post, No. 49, department of Connecticut, the department commanders of Connecticut, and the department encampment of Connecticut, held at New London in 1901, and for that reason the application should be denied and the appeal dismissed.

1. It would seem that up to December 31, 1898, said Adams had been a member of Wadhams Post, No. 49, Department of Connecticut; that on that day he was suspended and dropped March 11, 1899; restored April 15, 1899, and again dropped August 12, 1899, and that he now seeks—among other things—a discharge from Wadhams Post, No. 49, to enable him to join Mansfield Post, No. 53.

2. It appears from the communication of Mr. Adams—I have not investigated the batch of papers sent me to ascertain whether the charges are well founded—that:

(a) He makes charges against the following comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, viz, Past Commanders Jones, Bucklyn, Simonds, and Rogers; Past Adjutant, A. A. G., D. C. Cornish, the department encampment of Connecticut for 1901; A. A. G. Barnum; and a party by the name of Kilbourne, but whether he is a comrade or officer of the Grand Army is not clearly disclosed.

(b) His charges include duplicity, the suppression of an appeal, the ignoring of a proper request by D. C. Jones, a false statement and a request ignored by D. C. Bucklyn, false report of evidence by Kilbourne, a forgery of the records of Wadhams Post by some one undisclosed, fraudulent entry of suspension December 31, 1898, request to annul ignored by Rogers in 1902 and again by the department commander in 1917, the refusal of the post to act, a like refusal to produce records at the post room January 3, 1920, and likewise at the office of the department commander.

When my attention is called to these grave accusations involving practically the entire Department of Connecticut, including its judge advocate, I am forcibly reminded of the "eleven obstinate jurors" and am inclined to quote with approval from the dissenting opinion of Mr. Justice Greer in *Gaines v. Hennen*, 24 Howard, at p. 631: "I do not think it necessary to vindicate my opinion by again presenting to the public view a history of the scandalous gossip which has been buried under the dust of half a century and which with a proper feeling of delicacy should have remained so," and when, in addition, I recognize what an easy thing it is for Mr. Adams to join Mansfield Post—if he feels so disposed and is otherwise justly entitled to be admitted to the Grand Army, I am forced to the

#### OPINION.

That the application or appeal of Mr. Adams be denied and the matter dismissed from further consideration either of yourself or myself, and so I recommend, leaving him the right to join some other post if he feels so disposed and some other post be willing to receive him.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Judge Advocate General.*



## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

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NEWARK, N. J., *August 13, 1920.*

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Through you, I most sincerely wish to express my appreciation for the honor conferred upon me by Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall, thereby showing his concurrence in the appointment made by his predecessor, James D. Bell, whose sudden demise so shocked us all.

This, of course, disarranged the work of the national administration of our order, and caused some delay in getting matters in good working shape. All of the departments have now responded to my request and have sent me the names of their nominees for the office of assistant inspector general, all of which I immediately forwarded to national headquarters.

Owing to the short time at my disposal, caused by the delay above referred to, and further delay of many of the departments in responding to my requests, I can only report in a general way that, notwithstanding the large losses by the ravages of time during the past year, the spirit of comradeship and of fidelity to our order is not diminished by the members remaining.

Let us hope and pray that this spirit of the men who made us a Nation may continue to the end.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.,

JAMES C. TAYLOR,  
*Inspector General.*



JAMES C. TAYLOR,  
Inspector General.





HOSEA W. ROOD  
National Patriotic Instructor.

## REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

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MADISON, WIS., *July 23, 1920.*

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

DEAR COMRADE: It is not easy to decide just where to begin my report as national patriotic instructor. When I was notified last year of my appointment, I feared that I was not capable of doing the work as it should be done. I was afraid I could not come into close enough touch with the various department patriotic instructors to get much from them and be of real help to them. But now, after a year of observation and experience, I feel that I have come to appreciate, in part at least, how broad and rich a field there is for patriotic activity, both department and national; and what a call there is for earnest, warm-hearted, and capable workers. Having now served 14 years as patriotic instructor in my own department, I have found in Wisconsin an ever-enlarging field of labor—more abundant opportunities. As national patriotic instructor during the past year, I have been getting a broader view. It takes a year for one to get fairly started in such work—to become familiar enough with it to understand something of what may be done and how to do it.

When first the names of the 44 department instructors began to come to me, they seemed like strangers. I knew nothing of their personality, and it is so with a few of them yet, but the many pleasant letters I have received from the most of them have led me to regard them as good comrades—warm-hearted, earnest men, in the best sense Christian men—whom I wish I could meet every day and at regular intervals in the post room.

### PATRIOTIC MANUALS.

In order to find out what patriotic instruction and inspiration came from the educational department of the various States in the Union, I sent letters last February to all State superintendents of public instruction asking what patriotic manuals they publish for use in their schools. I have received such publications from 24 States. I presume that some of the 24 that did not respond print and send out such manuals, yet I do not know. I feel, however, that in a part of them not much attention is given to the matter, which is unfortunate. A few superintendents have expressed regret that no provision is made by their States for such inspiration in Americanism. Some have said that if the teacher will do so, he or she may make every lesson in history and civics a means of patriotic instruction. But there are, I fear, some teachers not so disposed.

### COURSES OF STUDY IN AMERICANISM.

We do not say that if the teacher chooses to do so, he or she may give instruction in arithmetic and geography. We put those subjects into the course of study, provide textbooks, require teachers to



pass examinations in them, and say it must be done. Conditions of unrest in these days, when all the disturbing elements are foreign to American spirit, make it as important to Americanize our boys and girls as to teach them the length and depth of the Senegal River, or how to extract the cube root. It would be well worth while to put into every school a small textbook to teach American ideals and inspire our little citizens with them. We can not do this overnight, but by careful education and training. Our citizenship bye and bye must depend very much upon what we are teaching in school to-day. The boys and girls of to-day, with the ideals they are forming, will be the men and women of the near future.

I am just now sending letters to all the State superintendents urging systematic Americanization in our schools. I expect to have a bill written, with the advice and help of our State superintendent and other educators, for presentation to the next session of our State legislature requiring the superintendent to formulate for use in the schools a short, simple, and practical course in Americanism, which is another name for patriotism. I would like to have it both instructive and inspirational. One of our oldest and most sensible educators told me the other day that we must teach diligently American ideals or find some day that we have no America.

#### REPORTS OF PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTORS.

I have been told that it is rather difficult to get reports from patriotic instructors, which is no doubt true, yet they have done very well indeed for me. So far—July 19—I have received reports from 32 departments. From some of them there have come only the filled-out blanks sent to them. The most satisfactory of them have come accompanied with letters very interesting to me, some of them suggestive. They indicate that it is well worth while to have patriotic instructors appointed. I wish I could quote at length from them, yet, because my space is limited, I can only run over them hastily.

*Alabama.*—Comrade A. N. Ballard says the schools are all patriotic, nearly every one having flags and flag exercises—small flags in the rooms and a large one floating from a pole in the yard.

*Arkansas.*—Comrade Altenberg says that “the ex-Confederates vie with us Yanks in patriotic expressions. They take part with us in patriotic meetings. In Little Rock, Confederates and Yanks marched together to the national cemetery on Memorial Day. Together we flagged the 8,000 Union graves and 5,000 Confederates. All agree that we have one country and one flag.” Miss Leah Bradley, of Little Rock, just now visiting us, bears cheerful testimony to the truth of what Comrade Altenberg reports.

*California.*—Comrade George D. Kellogg, now department commander, writes with enthusiasm about patriotism in the schools of his State. All have flags. He says that certain matters pertaining to patriotic instruction will be taken up with the next legislature and with a good prospect of success. Comrade J. R. Milner, patriotic instructor of the department, writes encouragingly along the same lines.

*Georgia.*—Comrade Charles Haskins, of Atlanta, writes in particular concerning memorial services at national cemeteries, about 36,000 Union soldiers being buried in the State. The members of the Grand



Army post at Atlanta go 20 miles to the cemetery at Marietta on Memorial Day, where there are 11,000 graves. They are assisted by members of the post at Tallapoosa, who come 80 miles for the purpose. Exercises are held at Andersonville by the Fitzgerald Post, the comrades coming 135 miles. He sends a copy of the program at Marietta, in which Grand Army comrades, Confederate veterans, Spanish War veterans, American Legion, and soldiers of the Regular Army all take part. I wonder how many of us in the North would go so far for Memorial Day services?

*Idaho.*—Comrade C. L. Langley has been active, though he reports upon no particular feature of his work. I have received a copy of an eloquent address of his on Lincoln's birthday, when the Grand Army presented a flag to the American Legion.

*Florida.*—Comrade N. W. Beauchamp has not, because of ill health, been able to do much patriotic work. A State law requires the flag to float over every school while in session. The most of them have flags. The principal of schools at St. Cloud is a son of a Confederate veteran—a real patriot in his work.

*Hawaii.*—I am glad that over in our island Territory the people and the schools are wide-awake upon the subject of Americanism. I have received some intensely patriotic matter from there.

*Iowa.*—Comrade Sidney Pitts has sent letters to the State and county superintendents urging practical patriotic instruction in the schools, and they respond in an excellent spirit. Iowa law requires the flag in schools.

*Indiana.*—Comrade Orville J. Chamberlain quotes facts and figures from the lately published book of Col. Leonard P. Ayers, head of the Division of Government Statistics, to show that the sacrifices and losses of the Civil War were much greater than those of the late World War.

*Kentucky.*—Comrade John T. Gunn thinks it is not so easy to keep up an interest in patriotic instruction in his State as it must be farther north, yet the schools help in Memorial Day programs, salute the flag, etc., though the law does not require that flags be displayed from schools.

*Louisiana.*—Comrade Paul Bruce, of New Orleans, says that Memorial Day was generally observed throughout the department, and all soldiers' graves were flagged. The Spanish War veterans and those of the World War assisted in this work. There are flags on all schoolhouses in the department; also on Flag Day Old Glory floats from nearly every home in New Orleans.

*Maine.*—The law requires schools to fly the flag. School children help very much on Memorial Day and are generally patriotic. But Comrade Silas Adams has cause for regret that the State University and colleges desecrate Memorial Day with sports and a general disregard of its significance. This is indeed unfortunate.

*Maryland.*—Comrade John T. Holmes is active in Baltimore. He says that all the schools closed on Memorial Day. He has had the flag put into 15 churches and intends to get it into all the others. He has permission of the school board to give flag talks in the schools. All the schools have flags and the pupils practice the flag salute. He has to bear all the expense of what he undertakes to do.



*Massachusetts.*—Comrade C. O. Norcross says for his State that every school has its flag, and that “the boys in blue have always a warm welcome in the schools, especially at memorial time. They are hailed as saviors of the Union, the preservers and defenders of liberty, the men who made this Nation’s position in the great World War in behalf of democracy possible. In many ways they are shown the highest respect and honor.”

*Minnesota.*—Patriotic Instructor Levi Longfellow has for years been an earnest worker. He speaks in schools and on various public patriotic occasions—and he sings, too. Only a third of his post patriotic instructors have reported to him; all are growing old and feeble. Much attention is paid to the flag in schools. The American Legion helps in memorial services.

*Missouri.*—I have some of the best of reports from this State, especially in the way of personal letters from Comrade Alfred Zartman, of Kansas City, and William C. Calland, of Springfield. I would like to quote at length from what they write to me about flags on schoolhouses and in churches. They contend that both old and young should be instructed in the principles of Americanism. Comrade Calland is happily so situated that he can give much time to patriotic work, and he does it. In his letters he makes many valuable suggestions. A day or two ago three young lady high-school teachers from St. Louis visited me. In answer to my questions they became quite enthusiastic about the flag in school. At 8.30 every morning, at the sound of the bugle, the flag at their school goes up, and then all the pupils, whatever they may be doing, stop and stand at salute. “And,” they said, “the boys and girls like to do it.”

*Montana.*—Comrade Charles P. H. Bielenberg makes a good report. The State requires every school to have its flag. In many of them the flag salute is practiced. The pupils aid very much in Memorial Day programs. Comrade Bielenberg has to pay all his expenses as patriotic instructor, yet he has presented flags and pictures of Lincoln to many schools. He has sent out 500 patriotic circulars to teachers and ministers and furnished the press with copies of them. He sends me some newspaper clippings in which his work is warmly commended. He visits and speaks in the schools.

*Nebraska.*—Comrade Addison Wait, who is commandant of the Soldiers and Sailors’ Home at Burkett, writes a most comprehensive report of what he is undertaking to do. The good coming from his intelligent efforts can not be measured. He says that on the first day of every department encampment a “Patriotic institute” is held. He sends programs of patriotic meetings. Lack of space forbids my saying of his work all I would like to.

*New Hampshire.*—Comrade D. E. Procter says that the flag is in schools everywhere in his State, and there it is saluted and honored. He gives talks in the schools about our good country, telling how much it cost in men and money. The boys and girls are glad to take part in the services of Memorial Day.

*New Jersey.*—Comrade G. W. Lawrence gives considerable time to talks in the schools upon loyalty to the flag and all it means. He is heartily welcomed by both teachers and pupils. He has urged others to attend the schools, but the most of them are becoming too old and feeble. He is very much in earnest, and sees more to do than he can accomplish.



*New York.*—Comrade George B. Fairhead, of Utica, has for years been active in patriotic work, but old age is beginning to limit his activities. His patriotic sentiment finds expression in poetic form, some of which he sends to me.

*North Dakota.*—Comrade A. J. Pierce is doing such patriotic work as he can. He is a fighter by nature, and directs no little energy in making war upon the use of tobacco, especially in the form of cigarettes. I guess he is right in considering this a patriotic work, for a boy with a befogged brain has little promise for the future of either himself or his country. Comrade Pierce shoots cigarettes with spicy rhymes, a collection of which he sends to me. He calls them "Hot Stuff."

*Ohio.*—Comrade Alfred Garner says that all his reports from his posts show that by law the schools must fly the flag, that the salute to it is a part of the daily program, and that the boys and girls are active in the exercises of the memorial season. He received reports from 86 posts. The State superintendent does not furnish manuals for use in schools. Comrade Garner says, "We'll be after him about it." He is particularly desirous of having the name, "Sons of Veterans" changed to "Sons of the Grand Army."

*Oregon.*—J. F. Butler, now department commander, had a report from only one of his post patriotic instructors. He says the law requires the flying of the flag by all schools during school hours, and that it be saluted by the pupils.

*Pennsylvania.*—Among the best of all reports is that from Campbell Stanton, of the "Keystone State," successor to that grand old man, Charles Otto Smith, now gone on to his reward. Comrade Stanton is particularly well pleased to have been influential in having had passed by the State legislature the following addendum to the school laws:

The State superintendent of public instruction shall prescribe a course of instruction conducive to the spirit of loyalty and devotion to the State and National Governments, which shall be taught in all the public schools of the State.

Comrade Stanton says: "Had this been done at the close of the Civil War it would have nipped in the bud bolshevism, anarchism, I. W. W.-ism, and all others that so disturb our country's prosperity, happiness, and peace." He offers certain suggestions as to what this proposed course of study should include.

*Tennessee.*—Comrade W. E. Rhegness, of Jackson, does not find patriotic instruction so easily given as the most of us do in the North. Still, he says that by law the State requires the flag to be displayed from every schoolhouse, yet he does not think it the regular thing to salute it. His report is brief.

*Texas.*—I have more information from this Lone Star State concerning patriotic instruction than from any other three. Several letters have come from Comrade C. S. Brodbent and his successor as patriotic instructor, Comrade Moses H. Redwood. Both are earnest and enthusiastic. They sent to me the reports they have received from post patriotic instructors and from leading teachers; also one from Miss Annie Webb Blanton, State superintendent. I would like to dwell in detail upon all those good comrades have sent to me, but



I have not the required space. Through their efforts good flag laws have been passed by the legislature, and they are respected and observed. I must thank those loyal comrades for their well-directed patriotic zeal. God bless them!

A day or two ago an old lady, bright and intelligent, born and so far a resident in San Antonio, Tex., visited me. She enthusiastically declared that "Patriotism is in the air in Texas. Old Glory, with the flag of Texas under it, floats from our schoolhouses. The old war-time questions are settled for good."

*Utah.*—Comrade H. W. Charter writes enthusiastically about the flag in Utah. He sends me a copy of a letter he has sent to the teachers and school superintendents in his State. He wants no one who is not 100 per cent American to be allowed to teach. He commends Principal Henry Peterson for placing a flag over every main entrance to school buildings and in the office of every school in his district.

*Vermont.*—J. P. Aikens has not been in good health for some time, so his report is brief; yet in his letter to me he shows a delightful spirit. He sends newspaper clippings about local memorial services. Vermont has wholesome flag laws for schools. Both the clergy and teachers are good patriotic instructors.

*Virginia and North Carolina.*—The patriotic instructor of this department died, and the commander writes that he himself is in very poor health; that at the Soldiers' Home he was burned out, escaping with only the clothing he had on him. A corner of the letterhead on which he wrote was burned off. He hopes for something better by and by, and so do we, all of us, for him.

*Washington and Alaska.*—Comrade James H. Chase, Cashmere, sends a good report about flag laws and respect for Old Glory. "Memorial Days are big with us. All the children join in the services." Comrade Chase is particularly interested in the name of the big mountain that is the pride of all Washington, known as Mount Rainier. As a Washington patriot he thinks it should not retain this name, given to it in honor of a British admiral. He thinks the name should be changed to "Mount Lincoln." It would then be Mount Lincoln in the State of Washington, a truly patriotic name. For 30 years there has been a strife concerning the name between Seattle and Tacoma. The latter city wants it called Mount Tacoma; and so they sometimes speak of it. Comrade Chase says the matter may well be settled by calling it Mount Lincoln, and so say all the Grand Army men in the department. I guess the rest of us agree with him.

*Wisconsin.*—And now, last of all, I come to "our good State, Wisconsin," best of all to me in one sense, yet in a larger, just the same as all the others. We have here school flag laws, flag salutes, and patriotic school exercises, especially during the memorial season. As department patriotic instructor, I have spoken during the last 14 years in many city, village, and country schools in all parts of the State, mostly upon the history and meaning of the flag; also in public halls and churches. The flag story seems to be interesting and school audiences are of the best, all the way from the kindergarten to the grave and reverend seniors. I was a long-time teacher, and so school seems to me like home. I have had occasion to do some little writing on patriotic subjects. It has been part of my

work to aid in the preparation of the Wisconsin Memorial Day Manual.

Just now I am particularly interested in getting into our schools a course of study in Americanism. It is my intention to have a bill introduced into the next session of our legislature requiring the State superintendent to formulate such a course. I have talked with him about it and he is much interested in the matter.

Wisconsin is generous toward her Grand Army men, giving us fine and commodious headquarters in the Memorial Hall of our new capitol, paying all running expenses, printing and postage, and appropriating every year a thousand dollars for the necessary expense of our department.

#### ALL THESE REPORTS ARE INTERESTING.

On the whole all these 32 department patriotic reports are interesting. They indicate that the comrades who prepare them—old men, every one of them in years—still have spirit in them, and are doing what they can for the present and future good of our country. Though some reports are much more comprehensive than others, I have felt it worth while to say some good about every one of them. Every instructor tells about conditions as he sees them. Nearly all have to pay their own expenses for printing, postage, etc. Unless they have considerable means, they can not do any traveling in their work. This ought not so to be. If the State does not pay for patriotic work, the department encampment should do so. The position and duties of a patriotic instructor are honorable, indeed, and worthy—no less so than those of the commander. If asked to do what incurs expense, the department as a whole is better able to bear it than he alone.

#### BEST KIND OF WORK.

This must be done in school or in connection with the education of our little citizens. This does not imply that we ourselves should go into the classroom and teach. That is the work of the persons appointed so to do; yet we should feel it a duty and a privilege to encourage them in every way we can. We should be glad to visit the schools when patriotic programs are presented, and then thank both teachers and pupils. So far as we have anything to say about it, we should insist upon having teachers who in spirit are every bit American—not “pro” anything else.

I do not myself think it best to discuss the relative merits in statesmanship of Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis, or the generalship of Grant and Lee, Sherman and Johnston. All had good in them. The particular difference in them was the fact that Lincoln and Grant and Sherman defended the Union and succeeded, while Davis and Lee and Johnston sought to destroy it—and failed. While we should dwell upon the heroic courage, the hardship and danger, the sadness and sorrow of our four years of service for freedom and union, there is yet more in the conditions of these days and the outlook for those to come to demand all the patriotism we can inspire in both old and young. I undertake to make my flag talks such as would be just as acceptable in the schools of South Carolina as they are in Wisconsin. We have gone a long way ahead since the war.



## PATRIOTIC INFLUENCE OF THE GRAND ARMY.

For more than 50 years one leading purpose of the Grand Army of the Republic has been the perpetuation of the same spirit of patriotism that actuated us in our struggle for the preservation of the Union. This spirit has manifested itself in particular on the days when we have memorialized our heroic dead. It is then when we have come into close touch with our little citizens in the making—our boys and girls in school. Memorial Day services are tender, touching the heart. What is impressed upon the heart of the child, goes far toward fixing the character of manhood and womanhood. These yearly manifestations in every city, village, and hamlet for more than half a century have had a greater cumulative influence for good than we can understand. We may have feared that, as we grow older and fewer, public interest in Memorial Day would become less, but the reports of both post and department patriotic instructors for this year say that never before has Memorial Day been so generally and impressively observed. And now, as the average age of our comrades has come close to fourscore years, and we find our physical strength leaving us, we are made glad that our brave, hearty, young comrades in khaki, just come victorious out of the great World War—organized as the American Legion—have accepted our Memorial Day as theirs. This year they have fraternally united with us in its observance; and after we have been borne, one by one, out to the quiet white city, this younger Army will bring flowers to strew over our resting places, while they tenderly remember their own comrades asleep under the poppies in Flanders Field. Let us extend to them the right hand of comradeship as we welcome them and share with them the sacred and patriotic traditions of Memorial Day.

## REVISION OF REPORT BLANKS.

Let me offer the suggestion that it would be a good plan to have the blanks for the reports of patriotic instructors revised. We are using the old forms of many years ago. Some of the questions, it seems to me, might well be omitted, for instance, question 14, asking, "How many flags have been supplied to schools this year?" In practically every State, flags are supplied by public funds. The Grand Army may furnish a few flags, yet there is no need for making it a matter of report. The Relief Corps does more of that work. And I do not see the value of questions 15 and 16, about the expense of patriotic work this year, as compared with that of last year. They can not bring forth any information worth while. Also there are some questions that might well be taken from the blanks for reports of department patriotic instructors, such as those numbered 1, 2, 3, and 22. And there is some spelling in question 23, that will bear revision. I am sure that, as conditions are at present, a few new questions might well take the place of those I would like to have omitted. I respectfully suggest that a committee on revision be appointed to do this work. I may add that some others of our old Grand Army blanks could, in my opinion, be made better by revision.

## CONCLUSION.

Commander Hall and Adj. O'Neill, I wish, in closing, to thank you for your confidence in me as shown by my appointment as national patriotic instructor. It is a position deserving hearty and efficient service—one to which one's full time might profitably be given. But I am a very busy man, and so my time and attention have been limited. I wish I might have done more and better. I wish to thank you, too, for your fraternal courtesy in all your communications with me. They have been pleasant as well as helpful. My thanks are due also to my good comrades who have reported to me about their work as department patriotic instructors, especially those who have not only filled out the required report blanks, but written good letters about themselves and what they have undertaken to do. I wish I might meet with every one of them personally.

May God bless them all!

Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity, and loyalty,

HOSEA W. ROOD,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*



## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF.

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CHESTER, N. H., *August 12, 1920.*

Comrade JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: Complying with the custom honored by my predecessors, and gratefully acknowledging the great honor conferred upon me by our esteemed commander in chief in appointing me chief of staff, I herewith submit this brief report of my year's service.

The bulk of the work of the chief of staff coming the latter part of the term and from now on until after the national encampment, leaves but very little for me to report. I have strictly obeyed all orders and filled all details as far as possible.

It was a source of great pleasure to accompany the commander in chief on his official visit to the Department of Massachusetts, and to represent him at the Departments of New Hampshire and Maine, where I met with a most cordial welcome. I also accompanied him on his trip to Washington, D. C., and assisted in the dedication of the Arlington Memorial Amphitheater at the National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., May 15, 1920.

In the performance of my few duties so far, I have received much real pleasure and benefit to myself, and I am anticipating much enjoyment of my work at the national encampment at Indianapolis, Ind.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.,

GEORGE A. HOSLEY,  
*Chief of Staff.*



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Chief of Staff.





THOMAS J. McCONEKEY,  
Senior Aid-de-Camp.

## REPORT OF THE SENIOR AID-DE-CAMP.

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BROOKLYN, N. Y., *August 30, 1920.*

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General G. A. R.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I am very grateful to our commander in chief and I can not express in fitting words my appreciation of the very high honor conferred on me by him in appointing me his senior aid.

I appreciate the honor more, for the reason that our commander in chief reappointed me to his official family after the death of Commander in Chief James D. Bell.

There is little for me to report, but in this connection I desire to say I was ready to obey every order intrusted to me.

It was my great pleasure to accompany the commander in chief to the department encampment of New York held in the city of Syracuse in June, 1920, when the commander in chief was cordially received by all comrades.

I deem it only proper at this time, my dear adjutant general, to extend to you my sincere thanks for the many courtesies extended to me during the year.

Very truly yours in F., C., and L.,

THOS. J. MCCONEKEY,  
*Senior Aid-de-camp.*



## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PERMANENT FUND.

*Account of Wm. J. Patterson, treasurer of the permanent fund, Grand Army of the Republic, for the year ended Aug. 1, 1920.*

### SECURITIES ON DEPOSIT WITH UNION TRUST COMPANY.

1919.	
Aug. 1.	4½ per cent corporate stock city of New York----- \$20,000.00
	4½ per cent Cleveland school bonds----- 4,000.00
	4 per cent Philadelphia registered loans----- 9,800.00
	4¼ per cent United States Liberty loan No. 3----- 500.00
	Total ----- 34,300.00
1920.	
May 4.	Corporate stock of city of New York sold----- 3,000.00
Aug. 1.	Securities on hand with Union Trust Co----- 31,300.00

### INCOME.

1919.	
Aug. 1.	To balance of cash on hand with Union Trust Co----- \$953.57
21.	To interest Cleveland school bonds----- \$90.00
Sept. 16.	To interest United States Liberty loan----- 10.63
Nov. 1.	To interest New York City corporate stock----- 450.00
1920.	
Jan. 2.	To interest Philadelphia registered loans----- 196.00
Feb. 21.	To interest Cleveland school bonds----- 90.00
Mar. 16.	To interest United States Liberty loan----- 10.62
May 1.	To interest New York City corporate stock----- 450.00
5.	To interest 4 days on New York City corporate stock sold----- 1.50
July 2.	To interest Philadelphia registered loans----- 196.00
	1,494.97
May 5.	To proceeds of sale of New York City corporate stock----- 2,778.75
1919.	
Sept. 12.	To donation Daughters of Veterans----- 500.00
12.	To donation Sons of Veterans Auxiliary----- 250.00
	To interest on balances in Union Trust Co----- 17.90
	Total income----- 5,994.97

## EXPENDITURES.

Nov. 26. By check to quartermaster general_____	\$2, 000. 00	
1920.		
May 13. By check to quartermaster general_____	3, 000. 00	
Aug. 1. By 5 per cent to Union Trust Co. for collections_	74. 74	
		\$5, 074. 74
Aug. 1. Cash balance on deposit with Union Trust Co_____		920. 23

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.,

WM. J. PATTERSON,  
*Trustee and Treasurer.*  
 LEWIS S. PILCHER, *Trustee.*  
 WALTON WEBER, *Trustee.*

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CERTIFICATE OF UNION TRUST CO., OF PITTSBURGH.

The Union Trust Co., of Pittsburgh, depository for the trustees of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic, hereby certifies that the foregoing annual statement to August 1, 1920, showing \$31,300 in securities and \$920.23 cash on deposit with this company is correct.

THE UNION TRUST CO., OF PITTSBURGH,  
 By W. W. GRINSTEAD, *Assistant Trust Officer.*



## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION.

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ALBION, MICH., *August 16, 1920.*

Comrade JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Inasmuch as the pension bill which became a law in May of the present year is probably the last general measure of a similar nature to be framed and passed in the interest of Civil War veterans, their widows and the surviving Army nurses of the Civil War period, it is deemed proper to set forth somewhat in detail the history and passage of the measure above referred to.

When the last preceding bill with its liberal provisions became a law it was thought that no further request for a general increase would be made, but the marked advance in the cost of every necessity of life, together with the decline in the purchasing power of the dollar, made the amount received under the last increase of less real value than that which had previously been paid. Hence, your committee on legislation endeavored to get through the last Congress a readjustment of rates and an increase of pensions for veterans of the Civil War, widows of veterans, the maimed among our comrades, and for the Army nurses more nearly commensurate with the present cost of living. Owing, however, to the great amount of World War legislation and the vast appropriation bills that had to be considered and passed, nothing in the way of general legislation was accomplished.

Very early in the month of June, 1919, the Hon. Charles E. Fuller, Member of Congress, chairman of the House Committee on Invalid Pensions, courteously met representatives of your committee and went carefully over the entire situation. In the month of July several bills having been introduced in both House and Senate, Chairman Fuller forwarded copies of these to the chairman of the legislative committee with the request that they be "looked over carefully and suggest any amendments" or "redraft the entire bill as you think it should be and I will present the same to the committee." "I am anxious," said the chairman, "to have a good bill reported and passed at the earliest practicable date."

The matter was at once taken up with the different members of the committee and rates substantially agreed upon and the same forwarded to Chairman Fuller with the accompanying letter signed by members of the legislative committee:

As you and your committee well know, it is impossible to frame a bill that will be satisfactory to all parties in interest; equally impossible is it to so frame a bill as to do justice in each and every individual case. The most that can be hoped for is that your committee will be able to strike a fair general average. I transmit herewith a tentative bill which as to rates has received the general approval of the committee representing the Grand Army of the Republic and others to whom it has been submitted and are deemed qualified to judge. The bill naturally divides itself into three sections:

## THE MAIMED SOLDIERS.

1. These men, while not always the worst injured nor the greatest sufferers, bear the visible evidence of the sacrifice made. Again, it is not easy to define and to fix a rating in such cases that will be fairly liberal, equitable, and just. Pensioners of this class have not hitherto received their just dues and it is hoped that your committee and the Congress will expedite action which will be more nearly commensurate with the sacrifice made and the suffering endured by our maimed comrades.

2. It is the general opinion among the committee and of those consulted, that aside from the maimed soldiers, pensions should be rated according to age and length of service.

3. Mexican War widows, Civil War widows, and Army nurses should all be treated alike as to rating and that \$30 per month under present conditions is but fairly liberal. Justice to Mexican War widows, Civil War widows, and Army nurses has too long been delayed.

4. If, as soon as practicable, the pensions could be paid monthly, it would be appreciated by a large per cent of the recipients.

Very soon after the above was forwarded to Chairman Fuller, the chairman of the legislative committee received the following from the then Adjt. Gen. Trimble:

The commander in chief (Adams) has read your letter and inclosures with much interest. We both, however, think that the pension bill should provide a pension of \$50 a month, irrespective of length of service. Departments and posts all over the country are passing resolutions asking for \$50 per month and we should at least try to secure it. Then if Congress will not grant it we can make concessions and secure what this bill now provides. Many men who saw but three or six months' service saw more real fighting than some men who were in the service for three or four years. At this day it is not so much a question of what a man did; it is a question more of what he needs in his old age and weakness. The commander in chief directs me to express to you his appreciation of all you are doing in the interest of pensions and of our comrades.

September 3, Chairman Fuller wrote as follows: "I am inclosing herewith a typewritten copy of the bill which will soon be reported, and I hope it may have early consideration in the House." Later in September this bill received the unanimous and enthusiastic indorsement of the national encampment in session at Columbus, Ohio.

It now remained to get the measure enacted into law. The present Congress did not convene until December of last year. The present commander in chief, on taking office, at once manifested his interest in the pending pension legislation, and that interest never slackened until the bill became a law, carrying in its provisions for the benefit of his comrades a sum exceeding \$60,000,000. Chairman Fuller, of the House, was from the first the steadfast and tireless friend of the bill even after, under his wise management, it had passed the House of Representatives. The Grand Army of the Republic owes much to this devoted friend of our order.

In the Senate the bill was intrusted to the care of Porter J. McCumber, chairman of the Pension Committee in that body. Senator McCumber during his long and distinguished service has repeatedly shown his friendship for and disposition to aid the veterans of the Civil War. In his hands, assisted by Senator Smoot and other of our loyal friends on the committee, the bill, substantially as it passed the House, was favorably reported by the Senate committee and in May passed that body and was almost immediately signed by President Wilson and became a law, which carried much-needed aid to



many thousands of our comrades and to the widows of our deceased comrades.

It is not pleasant to seem to discriminate where all do well, but as chairman of the legislative committee I feel that it is but just to mention the untiring efforts of our commander in chief, Daniel M. Hall, of Adj. Gen. Joseph W. O'Neill, of John McElroy, and Col. D. M. Rice. The last named, though not a veteran, with Comrade McElroy, through the National Tribune, exerted widespread and favorable influence in behalf of the bill at every stage of its progress from inception to adoption. To these, with Fuller, Ashbrook, and other zealous friends in the House of Representatives, to McCumber, Smoot, and other equally loyal collaborators in the Senate, are we obligated for the passage of this bill, which spells the last word in the memorable chapter that for all time will tell of the Nation's gratitude and liberality in peace toward those who in war saved its life on the battle field.

Very truly, yours, in F., C., and L.,

WASHINGTON GARDNER, *Chairman.*

ORLANDO A. SOMERS,

CHARLES C. ROYCE,

JOHN McELROY,

J. PAYSON BRADLEY,

JOHN L. CLEM,

*Committee.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO DRAFT BILL OF INCORPORATION.

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Comrade DANIEL M. HALL,

*Commander in Chief, G. A. R., Columbus, Ohio:*

Your committee appointed by General Orders, No. 4, to prepare and present to the next national encampment an act for the incorporation of the Grand Army of the Republic, in compliance with the action of the national encampment at Columbus, Ohio, respectfully submit the following report:

In undertaking the task entrusted to us, your committee has taken it for granted that the only purpose of the proposed incorporation is to give to the Grand Army of the Republic standing as a legal entity—a person in the eyes of the law—so that it can take any and all steps necessary for the protection and preservation of its rights, property, and otherwise, and be empowered to make final disposition of its property and archives. In the opinion of your committee this can and should be accomplished without interfering with our method of government, our rules and regulations, or with any of the rights and privileges of our members. We have accordingly prepared a bill that we submit herewith, which, if it is enacted into law by Congress, will accomplish the desired result, while it will make no change in our organization, except that it will make permanent and unchangeable the qualifications for membership as they are now prescribed in our rules and regulations. Your committee has incorporated this restriction in the bill because in their opinion no one should ever be admitted to membership in our order or allowed to wear our insignia of membership who did not earn the right thereto as we earned it—by service to our country as soldier or sailor in the suppression of the great rebellion from 1861 to 1865. When the last member of the Grand Army of the Republic dies, let our order die, except as it will forever live in the hearts of our countrymen and in the pages of history, with its record of glorious achievement.

We respectfully recommend that the following bill be submitted to the Congress, with the request that it be enacted into law:

### A BILL FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the organization known as the Grand Army of the Republic, with a membership limited to persons who served in the Army or Navy of the United States in the war of 1861 to 1865 for the maintenance of the Union and the preservation of the integrity of this Government, is hereby created a body corporate and politic of the District of Columbia, by the name of "The Grand Army of the Republic," by which name it shall be a person in law, capable of suing and being sued, and of having and exercising all incidental powers as a litigant or otherwise, as if it were a natural person, with power to acquire by purchase, gift, devise, or bequest, and to hold, convey, or otherwise dispose of property, real or personal, as may be necessary



or calculated to carry into effect the patriotic, fraternal, and charitable purposes of its organization, as such purposes are avowed and declared in its rules and regulations.

SEC. 2. The supreme governing and controlling authority in said organization shall be the national encampment thereof, composed of representatives from the several department encampments, as are now or may hereafter be organized: *Provided*, That there shall never be any change in the plan of organization of said national encampment that shall materially change its present representative form of government or render possible the concentration of the control thereof in the hands of a limited number, or in a self-perpetuating body not representative of the membership at large.

SEC. 3. The qualifications for membership in said organization, except as they are limited by the provisions of section 1 of this act, and the rights and privileges of the members thereof, shall be such as are fixed by the laws, rules, and regulations adopted by said national encampment, and the meetings of said organization, whether for the transaction of business or otherwise, may be held at any place in the United States.

SEC. 4. The activities of said corporation shall be exercised through and by the following agencies, in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations now in force, or such as may be hereafter enacted by the national encampment thereof, viz:

First. Through the national encampment, its officers, and committees.

Second. Through such department encampments as may have been heretofore, or as may be hereafter, organized, their officers and committees.

Third. Through such posts as may have been heretofore, or may be hereafter, organized, their officers and committees.

Such department encampments shall be subject and subordinate in authority to the national encampment, and such posts shall be also subject to such control, exercised through the department encampment and department officers of the particular department to which it belongs.

SEC. 5. The corporate existence of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the exclusive right of its surviving members to wear the insignia of membership therein, shall terminate only when the last of its members dies: *Provided*, however, That if at any national encampment hereafter held a memorial shall be adopted by the votes of three-fourths of the members present, reciting that because of the decrease in its membership, or because of the age and infirmity of its surviving members, it is no longer advisable and practicable to hold future annual national encampments, such action shall not operate to deprive said organization of any of its corporate powers, but the government thereof may be modified to provide for such contingency, subject to the restrictions contained in section 2 of this act: *Provided*, That nothing in this act shall in any manner affect the ownership of property held by any post or department in its own right, or the power of such posts or departments to dispose of the same, or affect the right of such posts or departments to organize corporations under State laws for the purpose of caring for and disposing of such property.

SEC. 6. The national encampment may, by resolution, provide for the disposition and future ownership of its property and archives, and may declare the event in which such disposition shall become effective, and such ownership vested, and a duly authenticated copy of such resolution shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Upon the happening of the event thus declared, and upon the filing of a petition in said supreme court reciting said facts, said court shall take jurisdiction thereof, and upon due and satisfactory proof being made the court shall enter a decree which shall be effectual to vest title and ownership in accordance with the provisions of such resolution.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT W. McBRIDE,  
DAVID F. PUGH,  
JOHN M. WILLIAMS,  
*Committee.*

NATIONAL COUNCIL *and*  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF  
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, HELD  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1920, IN CLAYPOOL HOTEL,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.**

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The meeting, which had been announced in general orders for 10 o'clock a. m., was postponed until 11 a. m., and was called to order at the latter hour by Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall. The following members of the committee, in addition to the commander in chief, were present: Charles B. Wilson, senior vice commander in chief; Adjt. Gen. Joseph W. O'Neill; Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits; and Comrades George A. Price, John C. Roland, John B. Inman, Philip G. Woodward, J. W. Willett, J. Andrew Wilt, and Harry L. Beach.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The first business will be the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

(The adjutant general then read the following minutes:)

A meeting of the executive committee of the national council of administration was held at national headquarters, Columbus, Ohio, June 19, 1920. There were present all members of the committee but the senior vice commander in chief.

The commander in chief explained the situation regarding Atlantic City, outlining the correspondence that he had had with the local committee of Atlantic City; that the committee had written that without the appropriation which had been allowed by the legislature of New Jersey the committee would have to cancel the contract, inclosing a letter from the chairman of the New Jersey committee, Comrade Cole, stating how the appropriation was to be used—that the State committee had refused to allow the local committee to use all the fund for the entertainment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Upon motion, unanimously carried, the commander in chief was directed to cancel the Atlantic City contract, and the acts of the commander in chief in the matter were approved.

The commander in chief then stated that the adjutant general had gone to Detroit, to see if the encampment could be held there, and he had written to Pittsburgh, Pa., and Hartford, Conn., but without any results.

He then stated that Judge McBride, commander of the Department of Indiana, was on his way to the meeting to extend an invitation for the encampment to meet in Indianapolis. Judge McBride was admitted to the meeting, and extended the invitation on behalf of Indiana, the city of Indianapolis, the board of trade, chamber of commerce, and the Grand Army of the Republic, which invitation was unanimously accepted.

It was voted to hold the encampment the week of September 19, and it was further voted that should the United Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion desire to participate in the parade, they should follow the Grand Army of the Republic.

It was voted that the commander in chief, the adjutant general, quartermaster general, Comrade Price, and the secretary should go to Indianapolis on June 29 to meet the Indianapolis committee and execute the contract.

The meeting then adjourned to meet subject to the call of the commander in chief.

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, *Adjutant General.*



A subcommittee of the executive committee of the national council of administration met the encampment committee of Indianapolis at the Columbia Club in Indianapolis on June 29. There were present for the Indianapolis committee, Gov. Goodrich, Mr. Huesman, Mr. Mooney, Mr. Balch, Mr. Wallen representing Mayor Jewett, Department Commander R. W. McBride, and Comrade W. A. Ketcham. There were present representing the Grand Army, Commander in Chief D. M. Hall, Adj. Gen. O'Neill, and Q. M. Gen. Stowits.

The secretary read the proposed contract, which was accepted by the Indianapolis committee.

After a general discussion of the arrangements for the encampment the meeting adjourned.

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, *Adjutant General*.

Comrade WILLETT. Commander in Chief, as I glean the record, there should be an approval by the executive committee of the report of the subcommittee who made this contract here. The subcommittee came down here at the appointment of the executive committee and made the contract. It is all made there in one, and I move you, sir, that the action of the subcommittee in making the contract with Indianapolis be approved by the executive committee.

(The motion was seconded by Comrade Inman, put by the commander in chief, and unanimously carried.)

Comrade WILLETT. In my judgment, it would be the proper thing, as far as this matter ought to go before the national encampment, to report the action of the executive committee to the council of administration. I do not know that there will be any controversy on the floor of the encampment as regards the doings of the executive committee, but if there should be it would be important that we begin to make our record now for the presentation of any matter pertaining thereto that may come up before the encampment, and for that reason I would like the council of administration to approve the action of the executive committee of that council. That is to say, the executive committee, a portion of it, is standing by reason of the offices they hold, and the others are raised from the council of administration. There is a link within a link to complete the chain, and I believe that this subject matter should be submitted to the council for their approval. Am I right?

Comrade WILT. I think you are.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Commander in Chief, I heartily concur in what has been said by Judge Willett. To that end I believe that a special committee should be appointed here to draft a proper report to present to-morrow afternoon to the council of administration, setting forth the facts just as they appear in the minutes as read, with such other commendations or recommendations as this subcommittee may deem best. I think by all means, from what I can hear, that the council of administration should positively agree on this matter before the opening of the encampment, so that there can not be any question, so far as the council is concerned, in the encampment. Let us stand right square on our feet. Therefore I would make a motion that a subcommittee of three, of which Judge Willett shall be the chairman, be appointed to prepare a proper report for the council of administration to-morrow afternoon.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. Second that motion.

Comrade WILLETT. You will pardon me if it should appear as seeming modesty, but the financial head of our committee and subcommittee is the honored comrade from New York. I would be

pleased to serve on the committee, but I would suggest Comrade Price as the chairman of that committee.

Comrade PRICE. As Judge Willett has already stated the object of the matter so succinctly I suggest that he be elected the chairman of the committee. I will serve under him gladly.

(The motion prevailed.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. As the other members of the committee in addition to Judge Willett I will appoint Comrade Stowits and Comrade Price. I don't know as I should have had two from New York, but they are familiar with the matter.

Now what is the next business to come before the committee?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. I move that the minutes as read be approved.

(The motion was seconded by Comrade Price, put by the commander in chief, and carried unanimously.)

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I would suggest, Commander in Chief, that all correspondence between our committee or the commander in chief and Atlantic City be handed to Judge Willett, as the chairman of this committee, to show him exactly what has been done.

Comrade WILLETT. By all means.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I think that the secretary, Miss Flood, has the correspondence.

Comrade PRICE. I wish to make my report as chairman of the auditing committee. [Reading:]

SEPTEMBER 20, 1920.

*To the Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic:*

Your committee appointed to audit the books of the quartermaster general have performed the duties assigned them and find them to be correct in every particular. They find the balance in bank to be \$2,862.21.

Very respectfully,

PHILIP G. WOODWARD.  
J. W. WILLETT.  
GEORGE A. PRICE.

*To the Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic:*

In addition to approving the report of the quartermaster general, we would also heartily recommend the suggestion he makes as to increasing the per capita tax, but we believe it should be at least 10 cents instead of 7 cents, payable semiannually. Your committee believe it to be necessary for the good of the order.

We also approve his recommendation as to changing the rules and regulations limiting to 10 per cent the amount to be drawn from the permanent fund, and leaving it to the commander in chief to decide on the requisition of the quartermaster general as to the absolute necessity for such an amount as he may require for the proper discharge of the business of his office, not exceeding 15 per cent of the principal thereof.

Respectfully,

GEORGE A. PRICE.  
J. W. WILLETT.  
PHILIP G. WOODWARD.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I rise to a question of privilege now. In connection with that, so that the comrades here will know what I have said, so that there can not be any misunderstanding, I will read from my report. [Reading the first five paragraphs of the printed report of the quartermaster general.]

Comrade WILT. Do I understand that the committee on audit recommend it be increased to 10 cents?



Comrade PRICE. That is the proposition I made in making the report; that instead of 7 it be made 10 cents, payable semiannually—a nickel every six months.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The subject before us is the report of the auditing committee. What are you going to do with it?

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. I move its approval as read.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. Second the motion.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I want to say, comrades, that the commander in chief and the adjutant general have approved my recommendations in their report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Yes. My report will be read in the encampment.

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. Having been at headquarters I think I know something of the financial condition of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I want to most heartily concur in this recommendation. We actually need the money. Of course our expenses this year, as Comrade Stowits has suggested in his report, have been very greatly increased. We had to go to Chicago, I believe four times, and we had to go to Washington to take this matter up. Senator Watson of this city was a great help to us, and we had to come here three times to get help on the matter of railroad rates. Expenses have been greatly increased. It may come just as bad some other time. I most heartily concur in this recommendation that the per capita be increased, and that the trustees of the permanent fund be authorized to sell such bonds as may be necessary to carry on the work of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is an actual necessity. It is not a question of policy; it is a question of necessity.

Comrade WILLETT. Commander in Chief, this body should approve, if they are so minded, the report of the subcommittee auditing the books of the quartermaster general. That is the first subject matter before the house. As regards the other matter I have a motion that I wish to suggest.

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. My motion was to approve the report of the auditing committee.

Comrade WILT. I second that motion.

(The report of the auditing committee was then read by the commander in chief, the motion put to the committee by him, and unanimously carried.)

Comrade WILLETT. Now, as regards the other subject. I think that that should not only be adopted by this executive committee, if they are of that mind, but as adopted by the executive committee should be referred by the executive committee to the council of administration for further action before the matter is brought to the floor of the encampment. My reasons, briefly put, are that a certain number of the encampment should be thoroughly informed, if possible, on the subject matter before it is broached in open encampment, to avoid confusion. And if the executive committee see fit to approve that recommendation of 10 cents per capita per annum, payable in semiannual installments of 5 cents. well and good. If not, in my judgment we should approve the recommendation made by the quartermaster general. But the question will first occur upon the 10 cents per capita.

Comrade INMAN. It seems to me that as far as the report to the council of administration is concerned, all the business transacted

by the executive committee must be reported to the council of administration; whether it is of one character or another, it must be reported there, under this general order, at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. I think, Judge, all the business we transact must be reported to the main council of administration without special motion.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. The reading of the minutes of this meeting will be the report.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. Why wouldn't it be best to make an amendment to the quartermaster general's report, inserting 10 cents instead of 7?

Comrade WILLETT. That is his individual report.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. I move that the recommendations be approved.

Comrade WILT. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is on the adoption of the report or the approval of the report of the auditing committee that the per capita tax paid to the national headquarters be 10 cents instead of  $3\frac{1}{2}$ , payable semiannually. Are you ready for this question?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. He said 10 cents instead of  $3\frac{1}{2}$ . Is that right?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Three and a half is the present. There are two recommendations. Are you going to vote on both of these at once? The first recommendation is in regard to per capita tax. The second recommendation is as to the changing of the rules and regulations limiting to 10 per cent the amount to be drawn from the permanent fund annually, leaving it to the commander in chief to decide on requisition from the quartermaster general as to the absolute necessity for such an amount as he may require for the proper discharge of the business of his office. Do you want to vote on both of these recommendations at once? Is the motion to adopt both recommendations at once or just the first one?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. I think it best to divide the recommendations.

(The motion to adopt the first recommendation of the auditing committee with respect to increasing the per capita tax was then put to the committee by the commander in chief and unanimously adopted.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now you have before you the recommendation of the committee on the change in the rules and regulations. What do you want to do with it?

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. I move its adoption.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. If we change the rules and regulations hasn't that got to be referred over one meeting, one year, without unanimous consent?

Comrade INMAN. If there is one vote against it in the encampment it must go over for a year.

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. We can recommend this and our recommendation can be approved or disapproved in the encampment.

Comrade WILT. Can the committee on rules and regulations offer changes that have not been recommended by departments?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. Not without unanimous consent.

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. As I recollect the matter, the comrades are right about that. It will have to be by unanimous consent, unless it was published as a recommendation by the national encampment. If



any department had recommended this and it had gone into general orders as a matter to be considered, then it could be passed by this encampment. But if it has not it is not proper as a recommendation of the committee on rules and regulations, and it will have to lay over one year if anybody objects to it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That won't make any difference about your recommending it.

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. I move the approval of the recommendation.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief WILSON. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now the motion is before the committee, which is to approve of this recommendation as to changing the rules and regulations. Any remarks?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. The rules and regulations now read "can draw but 10 per cent."

(The motion was then put to the committee by the commander in chief and unanimously carried.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What further business is there to come before the committee? Anyone anything to offer, any suggestions to make?

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. I move we adjourn.

Comrade WILLETT. A motion to adjourn is not debatable, but there is always a possibility that you might need us fellows again, so that if we adjourn it should be subject to the call of the commander in chief.

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. Yes. I accept the suggestion.

Comrade INMAN. Second the motion.

(The motion prevailed, and at 11.35 o'clock a. m. the executive committee of the council of administration stood adjourned subject to the call of the commander in chief.)

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION, HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21,  
1920, AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M., AT THE CLAYPOOL HOTEL,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

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The council of administration met at 2 o'clock p. m., on Tuesday, September 21, 1920, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief. Those present were:

Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall, Columbus, Ohio.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Charles B. Wilson, Los Angeles, Calif.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Isidore Isaacs, New York City.

Chaplain in Chief W. W. Gist, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Adj. Gen. Joseph W. O'Neill, Lebanon, Ohio.

Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

Comrade George F. Jackson, of Alabama.

Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.

Comrade W. H. Noll, of California and Nevada.

Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut.

Comrade Henry A. Thompson, of Florida.

Comrade G. E. Whitman, of Georgia and South Carolina.

Comrade G. F. Kimery, of Idaho.

Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.

Comrade David N. Foster, of Indiana.

Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.

Comrade Edwin Riley, of Maine.

Comrade John A. Thompson, of Maryland.

Comrade Philip G. Woodward, of Minnesota.

Comrade John M. Williams, of Missouri.

Comrade George H. Taylor, of Montana.

Comrade William O. Allen, of New Jersey.

Comrade John Greenwald, of New Mexico.

Comrade George A. Price, of New York.

Comrade Pat H. Cummings, of North Dakota.

Comrade John C. Roland, of Ohio.

Comrade F. A. Brown, of Oklahoma.

Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade John Middleton, of Potomac.

Comrade John A. Medbery, of Rhode Island.

Comrade Newton Hacker, of Tennessee.

Comrade H. W. Nye, of Texas.

Comrade H. W. Charter, of Utah.

Comrade H. W. Weiss, of Virginia and North Carolina.

Comrade H. R. Bird, of Wisconsin.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am sorry there are so many absent, but we have more than a quorum so we can proceed to business. There is a subcommittee of the executive committee that I would like



to have report. We will first, however, have the minutes of the meeting of the executive committee read by the reporter.

(The shorthand reporter then read the following minutes:)

MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, HELD AT CLAYPOOL HOTEL, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., AT 11 O'CLOCK A. M., ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1920.

The meeting was called to order by Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall, and all members found to be present.

The minutes of the meeting of the executive committee held at Columbus, Ohio, June 19, 1920, and of the subcommittee held at Indianapolis, Ind., June 29, 1920, were read and approved, said minutes containing an account of the cancellation of the Atlantic City contract and the execution of the contract with the encampment committee of Indianapolis.

Upon motion the action of the subcommittee in entering into the Indianapolis contract was unanimously approved.

Upon motion, unanimously adopted, the commander in chief was directed to appoint a subcommittee of which Comrade Willett should be chairman, to draft a report to be made to the council of administration of the action of the executive committee in changing the location of the encampment from Atlantic City to Indianapolis.

The commander in chief appointed as the remaining members of this committee, Q. M. Gen. Stowits and Comrade George A. Price.

Comrade Price read the report and recommendations of the auditing committee, as follows, which report and recommendations were unanimously adopted after discussion by the committee. (See complete report of proceedings of executive committee in this journal, pp. 179-184, for full text of report and recommendations of auditing committee.)

At 11.35 a. m. the executive committee adjourned, subject to the call of the commander in chief.

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, *Adjutant General.*

Comrade WILLETT, Commander in Chief, supplementing that report—You will observe, comrades of the council of administration, in the reading of those minutes, that a subcommittee was raised to boil it down in order that you might take some action here that could be presented to the encampment, if required. I started, as chairman of that committee to boil it down, found I was boiling up, tore up the manuscript, and rewrote what I have here. [Reading:]

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT,  
*Indianapolis, Ind., September 21, 1920.*

*To Daniel M. Hall, commander in chief, associate officers, and members of the council of administration of the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic.*

COMRADES: Your committee, to whom was assigned the duty of reporting the action of the executive committee since last encampment, beg leave to make the following report:

1. The committee appointed to audit the books of the quartermaster general performed that duty and found said books to be correct in every particular. That the balance on hand in bank compared with said books is \$2,862.21.

2. The committee of audit recommend that the per capita tax be increased to 10 cents per annum, payable semiannually, in installments of 5 cents each.

3. That the rules and regulations, which now limit the expenditures from the principal of the permanent fund to 10 per cent of the same, be changed, so that if an emergency arises requiring a greater expenditure, that the commander in chief on the requisition of the quartermaster general as regards the absolute necessity of additional expenditure for the proper discharge of the business of his office, may draw from the permanent fund a sum or sums not exceeding 15 per cent of the principal thereof and disburse the same as the necessities of such emergency require.

The foregoing report of the auditing committee and its recommendations were unanimously approved by your executive committee.

Your committee further reports:

4. Change of place of meeting for the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, 1920.

Custom has established the rule, which has been followed for many years in our national encampments, that all appropriations made for the annual entertainment of each succeeding encampment should be surrendered to a citizens' committee of the then encampment city to be expended by such committee in that behalf, so that the fund required to pay the expenses of the national encampment is thus placed in responsible hands for disbursement for the purposes appropriated before any pecuniary obligations are made.

The Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, at Columbus, Ohio, in a competitive contest selected Atlantic City, N. J., for the place of meeting of this Fifty-fourth National Encampment.

The hotel association and citizens of Atlantic City subscribed \$5,000 toward a fund to defray the expenses of the present national encampment to be held in Atlantic City.

The legislature of the State of New Jersey appropriated \$25,000 to pay the expenses of the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, at Atlantic City this year.

When the citizens committee of Atlantic City, N. J., and our national officers sought to obtain the possession of said State appropriation, and the surrender of same to said citizens committee to be disbursed by them to pay the expenses of the present Fifty-fourth National Encampment, they found that said fund was placed by the governor of New Jersey in the control of a committee, other than the citizens committee of Atlantic City, and that the committee appointed by the governor construed the statute appropriating the \$25,000 to mean an appropriation for the entertainment of the soldiers and sailors of New Jersey only, and said committee and the officers of the State of New Jersey refused to turn said appropriation over to the citizens committee of Atlantic City for disbursement.

Whereupon, the citizens committee of Atlantic City declined to entertain the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, because of the fact that said State appropriation was not surrendered to them to pay the expenses of such entertainment.

The national administration was confronted with an emergency, with no place of meeting for the Fifty-fourth encampment.

Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall called a special meeting of the executive committee of the national council of administration to determine what course to pursue. That committee met in special session at Columbus, Ohio, June 19, 1920, and after due deliberation directed the commander in chief to cancel all contracts with Atlantic City, and the committee unanimously accepted the generous invitation of the patriotic and hospitable city of Indianapolis, Ind., for said encampment, and we are here.

The executive committee at this national encampment have unanimously approved of the action of the commander in chief, his associates and executive committee, and this report with the minutes of the executive committee meetings are now respectfully reported to the council of administration for their consideration.

J. W. WILLETT.

COLA D. R. STOWITS.

GEORGE A. PRICE.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, comrades, you have heard the report of the subcommittee of the executive committee of the council of administration. It is before you. What will you do with it?

Comrade WILLETT. Commander in Chief, I move the adoption and approval of the acts of the executive committee, the commander in chief, and his associates, and the recommendations made by the executive committee, by the entire council of administration; and if it does not meet with the approval of every one of you here individually and officially, I invite discussion, in order that we may inform ourselves before sitting in the national encampment. Because



if this council of administration can not advise themselves so that they are willing to act substantially as a unit, why it would be useless for us to carry any special recommendation before the encampment, for the lack of concerted action.

Comrade WHITMAN. I heartily second the motion as made by Comrade Willett.

Comrade ALTENBERG. On behalf of the State of Arkansas, I accept of the report and trust that every member present here will vote for it.

Comrade CHARTER. I represent on the council of administration the department of Utah, and I want to say that you, Commander in Chief, are an honor to the position and to your associates.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption of this report.

Comrade RILEY. I should like to inquire what this 15 per cent means in round numbers—15 per cent of the general fund.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. There is about \$31,000 or \$32,000 in the permanent fund. We can vote \$3,000 or \$4,000 if it is absolutely necessary, but only in the event of its being necessary, as it was this year when we were so terribly upset. I want to say in this connection, before we take this vote, that we were obliged to expend \$2,000 more than we anticipated. Such an emergency may arise again. You can never tell, with our limit, what is going to happen.

Comrade RILEY. It seems to me that 15 per cent is a good deal of money.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. It will last until you and I are gone, because every year it will be less, 15 per cent of the amount on hand.

Comrade RILEY. It may until after you are gone, but not until after I am gone. I am not finding any fault.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Fifteen per cent is set as a limit. They may draw less if they need less.

Comrade RILEY. I understand that, but you can use 15 per cent.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If it is absolutely necessary.

Comrade RILEY. I just wanted to know what 15 per cent was. If you do that for a term of six or seven years you would not have any left.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. We figure it will last about 10 years, but we will never draw that amount.

Comrade RILEY. I am merely asking the question. Of course, I have got a perfect right to ask a question and inform myself so I can know what to say to some one else, perhaps, if they ask a question. Perhaps 15 per cent is all right, but it seems to me it would not last more than seven years to the Grand Army of the Republic. We know in our State of Maine that we are dying off fast. Our revenue is getting less every year, and we have got to do something either personally or some one has got to give us something to carry on the work of the administration in the State of Maine. To increase the per capita tax from 7 to 10 cents is nearly 50 per cent, or 40 per cent. For us to give 40 per cent more out of the State of Maine so as to pay you or pay us means a good deal.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Only 10 cents a year, my comrade.

Comrade RILEY. I know, but we are dying off fast. We lost between 200 and 300 last year.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. The income goes down in like proportion.

Comrade RILEY. When you increase anything 33 per cent it goes up, doesn't it? I am merely asking this question. They will ask me when I go home what it means.

Comrade WILLETT. I think the comrade should be answered, perhaps, in an explanatory way. There is about a round 100,000 in the Grand Army of the Republic. Ten cents a member per year will raise \$10,000, won't it? Now, as they die off, that percentage, while it remains at 10 cents, will be augmented or decreased according to the fact of the numerical strength of the body. But when we consider that 5 cents every six months is all that it costs the subordinate organization to maintain the national head of this institution, it seems to me that it is a mere bagatelle if we look at the results obtained within the last two years as regards the matter of pensions. Now, then, as regards the 15 per cent, there might come a time when 10 per cent of the principal would not pay the emergency expenses of maintaining the national organization. Can't we trust our officers? We have trusted them for over 50 years. We surely can trust them for another decade to not squander our money; and the 10 per cent was found in this particular emergency to be scarcely adequate to fill the bill. Hence the recommendation that it be augmented to 15 per cent, so that if the emergency arises they can use that in full or any portion thereof as that emergency requires. Do you understand, my comrade?

Comrade RILEY. I think so.

Comrade WILLETT. That is the full and complete explanation, as I understand it.

Comrade TAYLOR. On behalf of Montana I want to say that we will be perfectly willing to make it 20 cents instead of 10.

Comrade MEDBERY. You know, comrades, that this is the only order on top of the earth that hasn't got to lay up for the future. There is very little of the future left for us as an order. There will be comrades, of course, all over the country that may live for 20 years, but they will be confined to their homes. They never can get together; they never will have the use of the money for themselves. Now, as the comrade has said, we have trusted our good men for 50 years. While they say that the good die young, there are plenty of good men left yet, and I believe there will be. Therefore I would ask, if it is not out of order, that the question be put, and ask for a rising vote.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any further remarks?

Comrade RILEY. It seems to me that some remarks have been made that are not absolutely true. As a matter of fact, this comrade gets up and makes a statement. Didn't the State of New Jersey repudiate the very thing they promised to do for the Grand Army of the Republic? If it hadn't been for the officials of the Grand Army of the Republic and the patriotic men in, we will say, the city of Indianapolis and the State of Indiana, if it hadn't been for them you would have been in the hole, wouldn't you? We couldn't have had the fifty-fourth encampment the same as we have to-day. It is money that does the trick. You understand that. I am a business man. I know what business is and all that.

Comrade MEDBERY. I am a Yankee, too. I can sympathize with you.



Comrade RILEY. Don't tell me there is going to be plenty of money. There is one illustration I know of in the State of New Jersey that repudiated their obligation, and they were just as sacred as any other obligation ever made by any other State. So we don't want to bankrupt ourselves.

Comrade MEDBERY. Thank the Lord there isn't but one New Jersey in the United States.

Comrade ALTENBERG. Vote on it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any further remarks on the question, on the adoption of the report? We will try a viva voce vote first. If it is necessary we will call for a rising vote. All who favor the adoption of the report will manifest it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." It is unanimous. I want to thank you, comrades, for the expression of approval contained in the adoption of the report, and I want to say to you that we did not throw away any money this year. This emergency arose. It cost money traveling; cost something to get this thing in shape so that we might have an encampment this year.

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. It didn't cost anything for rent whatever.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I secured quarters in Columbus absolutely free for the headquarters for the last year. What other business is there to come before the council? Comrades, I wish you would get the delegates from your different departments as familiar with this subject as you can before we go into session as a national encampment, that they may understand, as fully as you can explain it to them, why this recommendation is made, and have them ready to vote on it when it comes up, when it is recommended in the national encampment on Thursday.

Comrade MEDBERY. Put it before the caucuses of our departments?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Yes; when your different departments caucus bring this matter up and become familiar with it. Talk it over and know when you get into the encampment what is before you.

Comrade NYE. Commander and comrades, I have already explained this to my department, that it was a special emergency, and we are thankful to the commander and the committee that you have done as well as you did. No complaint to make. We are going to meet your requirements, but think of these bills and be just as prudent as you can.

Comrade MEDBERY. That is the only issue really, is the per capita tax?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. No; that is one issue. The other is to amend the rules and regulations so that we may draw, instead of 10 per cent, in case of emergency 15 per cent. That question will come up.

Comrade MEDBERY. That is the only real issue, isn't it?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That and the raising of the per capita tax.

Comrade ALTENBERG. For information, will the report of this committee and the proceedings at this meeting be published in the morning papers so that we can present them to our comrades?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. No; you can present it to your delegates by having the quartermaster's report and showing it to them, to show the financial condition of the organization.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. There will be a copy in each seat Thursday morning.

Comrade ALTENBERG. Count on Arkansas as solid for the resolution.

Comrade WHITMAN. I wish to ask a question: Do I understand it correctly when I say this, that the encampment proper must pass on this; that is, we are not doing this, just recommending this to the encampment; isn't that it?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is what they have got to approve. This action must be approved by the encampment in regular session. Now, is there anything else? Any of the comrades, any of the members of the council here while we are in session, anything to offer?

Adj. Gen. O'NEALL. I want to make an announcement. I had the honor 14 years ago to be the adjutant general. At that time the members of the council of administration and of the committee on resolutions were announced from the floor and the encampment elected the council. Since that the practice has been changed, and the names are now handed to the adjutant general before Wednesday evening. Some of the departments have already made their report, some of them a month ago. I wish that as soon as the departments have caucused that you would see that these reports are handed in. I want them all by to-morrow night, so that when the encampment meets the names can be read and they can be properly elected. When I was adjutant general before they were announced on the floor and acted on by the encampment. Now they are handed in by written reports. There is a good reason for that, because the stenographer might not always get the correct spelling of names and post-office addresses.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Anything further?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I move that we adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief if necessary.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, and carried, and at 2.40 o'clock p. m. the council of administration stood adjourned subject to the call of the commander in chief.)





**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION, HELD AT THE COLUMBIA CLUB,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1920.**

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The new council of administration met at the Columbia Club at 12.30 o'clock p. m., September 24, 1920, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief.

Upon roll call the following members of the council were found to be present:

Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief George A. Hosley, Boston, Mass.  
Junior Vice Commander in Chief J. E. Gandy, Spokane, Wash.  
Adj. Gen. Mahlon D. Butler, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
Comrade Geo. F. Jackson, of Alabama.  
Comrade E. S. Godfrey, of Arizona.  
Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.  
Comrade Wm. H. Noll, of California and Nevada.  
Comrade James E. Jewell, of Colorado and Wyoming.  
Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut.  
Comrade William Kelley, of Delaware.  
Comrade M. H. Porter, of Florida.  
Comrade Geo. E. Whitman, of Georgia and South Carolina.  
Comrade Geo. F. Kimery, of Idaho.  
Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.  
Comrade Orlando A. Somers, of Indiana.  
Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.  
Comrade Scott Kelsey, of Kansas.  
Comrade Americus Whedon, of Kentucky.  
Comrade W. A. Wetherbee, of Massachusetts.  
Comrade H. A. Chapin, of Michigan.  
Comrade Philip G. Woodward, of Minnesota.  
Comrade John M. Williams, of Missouri.  
Comrade George H. Taylor, of Montana.  
Comrade W. H. Stewart, of Nebraska.  
Comrade Ernest C. Stahl, of New Jersey.  
Comrade John Greenwald, of New Mexico.  
Comrade George A. Price, of New York.  
Comrade John C. Roland, of Ohio.  
Comrade F. E. Hills, of Oklahoma.  
Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.  
Comrade John Middleton, of Potomac.  
Comrade John A. Medbery, of Rhode Island.  
Comrade H. W. Weiss, of Virginia and North Carolina.

When South Dakota was called Comrade T. C. De Jean responded and said that he had been directed by his department commander



to appear in place of M. M. Baird, the regularly elected member of the council from that department, but the commander in chief held that not having been elected a member of the council by his department he could not sit in the council.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There is more than a quorum present. As near as I can find out from what has transpired at this meeting of the national council of administration, the first thing to do would be to fix upon the number of the executive committee. Will some comrade make a motion on that subject?

Comrade WHITMAN. I move that the executive committee consist of the commander in chief, the senior vice commander in chief, the junior vice commander in chief, the quartermaster general, the adjutant general, and seven members of this council, to be selected by the commander in chief.

Comrade WILT. I second that motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion, gentlemen, that the executive committee shall consist of the commander in chief, the senior and junior vice commander in chief—which is an innovation—the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and seven members to be appointed by the commander in chief from the council of administration. Is there anything to be said on that subject? The matter will be open for debate.

Comrade WILT. The only difference is, Commander in Chief, that we have added the junior vice commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Yes; I understand that.

Comrade WILT. I want to say to the comrades here, I believe the junior vice commander ought to have something to say and be on this executive committee. I am decidedly in favor of including the junior vice commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the suggestion, gentlemen. Any other suggestion on the subject?

Comrade SOMERS. Commander in Chief, the only thought I have in the matter is as to what the commander in chief thinks about this point. I know what the custom is, and ordinarily we ought to follow the custom. If the commander in chief, upon whom rests the responsibility of the administration, thinks that there might be a shortening of the column, I should vote for it. If he thinks there should be an increase, I should vote for it. We are going to hold him rigidly responsible, because that is his way of doing business. We are going to hold him responsible for the welfare of the great Grand Army of the Republic for one year, and I don't want to handicap him in any manner at all.

Comrade STAHL. On the floor of the encampment a member of our delegation offered a resolution that the executive committee of the council of administration should consist of the officers that have already been named, and but three advisory members of the council, with the object of curtailing the expenditure, and making but 8 members instead of 11 as there have been before. I am just like my distinguished comrade here. The responsibility rests upon you, commander in chief, and I as one am willing to accept exactly what you dictate to be the number.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There will be, until some extraordinary necessity arises, no dictation by the commander in chief. But it is my present opinion that there being a commander in chief liv-

ing and a senior vice commander in chief living, because in case of the unfortunate event of the death of either the commander in chief or the senior vice commander in chief automatically their places will be filled, so we will always have a commander in chief and we will always have a senior vice. I think perhaps not to have too unwieldy a body it would be just as well to adhere to what has been the long-continued practice, as I understand, that the junior vice commander in chief is not a member of the executive committee. That would be my offhand impression as to that. Now, as to the suggestion by the comrade from New Jersey that was made on the floor of the encampment and not considered—I don't know why it was not considered—it is my opinion that it would not be desirable to reduce the members from the council of administration from seven to three. If that was done, there being four of what are called ex-officio members, the four ex-officio members would have it in their power at any meeting to dominate those that particularly represent their departments; and I think that the executive committee ought to have from the various departments a sufficient number so that if there should at any time be a full meeting of the committee at which all the ex-officio members and all the appointed members of the executive committee should be present, it ought not, in my opinion, to be in the power of the ex-officio members to overrule the members that more particularly represent their departments. I would myself think that it would be an unwise move to reduce the number of the executive committee from seven to three. It might not be unwise in the interest of economy to reduce the appointed members of the executive committee to five in lieu of seven. That would give, then, four members of the executive committee from the officers themselves and five members of the executive committee from the departments, so that the departments would in that contingency have, as I think they ought to have, an overriding vote in the meeting of the executive committee. But as to that I am not caring very much. But I should think it would be a serious mistake to reduce these members to three. As it stands now it is on the motion to make the executive committee consist of five ex-officio members, being officers, and seven members from the council of administration. That is what is now before you. If there is anything in the way of suggestion by amendment, why, the chair will be glad to entertain it.

Comrade WETHERBEE. As the commander has suggested that he thought the junior vice commander should be left out, that would be four.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion that is before the house is to make the five officers members. So far as I am personally concerned I am rather inclined to the opinion—I haven't much opinion on the subject, however—I am rather inclined to the opinion that it would be perhaps better to adhere to the old rule and not to take the junior vice commander in chief onto the executive committee, because there will always be, under our rules, a commander in chief and a senior commander in chief to be on the executive committee.

Comrade WETHERBEE. I move, so that this council may vote on it, that the old rule shall be adhered to, and that it include simply the



commander, the senior vice, the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and seven members of the council.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Will the original mover accept that?

Comrade WILT. I accept that, Commander. But my reason was the very thing that the commander in chief mentioned, like this last year. I think the junior vice commander in chief should be in full touch with all the business of this national encampment as much as the senior vice commander in chief. In case of a vacancy in the office of commander in chief it is true the senior vice becomes commander in chief, and then the junior becomes the senior vice commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. And then a member.

Comrade WILT. But if he becomes a member now he is constantly and always in touch, full touch, with everything that this executive committee may do and would be better prepared if he became senior vice commander in chief to perform the duties of that office than he would if he were simply thrust in there and had no influence with this executive committee. That was my reason.

Comrade INMAN. There certainly is a disposition here and should be a disposition here to give full credence to the wishes of our new commander in chief. Now, with all respect to my friend, Comrade Wilt from Pennsylvania, I want to call his attention to the fact that the commander in chief has said explicitly that he does not desire to change the formation of the executive committee in these two particulars. Comrade Wetherbee has offered a substitute, or an amendment, and it seems to me, as long as the commander in chief has outlined what he thinks it ought to be, and it has been so through all the years—I speak with all respect to the new junior vice commander in chief—I think that we should respect the wishes of our commander in chief and make this executive committee what he thinks it ought to be, and he has said that he thinks it best to continue it as it has been.

Comrade WILT. I have no objections to withdrawing that, Commander, but I wanted to state the reasons why I suggested that addition.

Comrade WHITMAN. In making the motion as I did, including the junior vice commander in chief, I thought as the comrade from Pennsylvania, and that was the reason I included him. But after hearing the commander in chief and his opinion as regards the matter, and Comrade Wetherbee's motion to amend, I accept the amendment. I don't want to insist upon breaking over. So that if it is permissible I accept the amendment of Comrade Wetherbee.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. As it stands now with the amendment accepted, the resolution is before you in precisely the form that it was one year ago and as, it is my understanding, it has been for a number of years. [Reading:]

*Resolved*, That the executive committee of the council of administration shall consist of the commander in chief, the senior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and seven members to be appointed by the commander in chief from the council of administration.

That is the motion that is now before you. Are there any further remarks to be made on that subject. If not, all that are in favor of

the motion as presented will signify it by saying aye. Contrary, no. It seems to be a unanimous vote. (Carried.)

Now, the next thing in order apparently—that is, it was last year—is a resolution that was offered by Comrade Inman. I read it for your information. [Reading:]

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief be authorized to draw on the quartermaster general for the sum of \$1,800, or as much thereof as may be necessary to pay actual traveling expenses; that the salary of the adjutant general be fixed at \$1,200 per year; that the salary of the quartermaster general be fixed at \$500 per year; that the bond of the adjutant general be fixed in the sum of \$1,000, and the bond of the quartermaster general be fixed in the sum of \$5,000, to be executed by surety companies and the expense thereof to be borne by the national encampment; and that the salary of the custodian of records be fixed at \$300 for the ensuing year.

That was the motion that was adopted one year ago.

Comrade WILT. Commander in chief, I offer that same resolution as you have read it, for the adoption of this council.

(The motion was seconded by several comrades.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. Is there anything to be said on the subject?

Comrade WILLETT. There is just one suggestion. It might be technically understood that traveling expenses did not mean hotel bills. I believe that should be amplified a little in the record. I will make that suggestion that has been made by way of an amendment: That the commander in chief be authorized to draw on the quartermaster general for the sum of \$1,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay actual traveling expenses, including hotel bills.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. It is not any of our business as members of the council of administration what the commander in chief does with his appropriation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Well, I would say, as a matter of fact, that the change is not necessary.

Comrade WILLETT. If it is satisfactory to the commander in chief, I say "Let it alone." But I thought that was helping to particularize.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. My own impression would be that when you say traveling expenses, that the expense of a hotel would be as much a traveling expense as the expense of a Pullman or a railroad ticket. That would be my opinion as commander in chief, and, incidentally, as a lawyer, that the motion as presented would include that item.

Comrade WILLETT. With your interpretation, I am satisfied.

Comrade SOMERS. I understood the quartermaster general to say that it made no difference, it was nobody's business what was done with this money. Was that the statement?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. That has been the sentiment always, Comrade Somers.

Comrade SOMERS. I do not indorse the sentiment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chair will rule, Comrade Somers, that that is a statement that will not bear analysis or examination. I think that the expenses of the commander in chief, the traveling expenses, should be itemized and they should be approved by the executive committee before they would be regarded as payable.



Comrade SOMERS. I would not go as far as that.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I traveled a while ago down to Washington and I was surprised to find there was not any account kept of what the expenses were. They started out with so much money and then when they got back they had so much less. That included, therefore, their traveling expenses. I don't believe that that is a very good way of keeping it, and the books won't be kept that way in this administration. [Applause.]

Comrade SOMERS. I wanted to say that during my administration it was generally understood—I have been demoted; I am getting down in our work in the ranks—during my administration the appropriation was fixed at not to exceed a certain sum. I did not consider that I was to have that sum, but only so much as was necessary for my expenses.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. That is what this says.

Comrade SOMERS. I was able to save a portion of that, and that portion that was saved I could in no manner consider my own, but that it belonged to the encampment. I am well enough acquainted with the present commander in chief to know, without instruction, about what his policy would be. And if it is his policy that he is going to itemize his statements and have them passed upon by this executive committee, that is about what he will do whether it is in order or not. Now, then, there might be circumstances come up when the amount appropriated would not be sufficient to pay the necessary expenses of the commander in chief, and then I would want to go beyond that.

Comrade WILLETT. Here too.

Comrade SOMERS. Pay the necessary expenses of the commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This is preliminary, and if it should be found I would say to the council of administration that there is an increase in railroad rates or an increase in hotel rates or an increase in Pullman rates, and the ordinary things—I don't know of anything being decreased. Everything is increased—it would be time enough to cross that bridge when we get to it. It will be then for the council of administration to vote as to whether there ought to be an additional sum appropriated. But as it stands now I think it ought to be pretty definitely understood that the executive committee shall keep within the limits of this resolution. Any further remarks to be made on this question? If not, those in favor of it will signify it by saying aye. Contrary, no. Carried unanimously.

The next proceeding that took place a year ago, and it is appropriate here, is a resolution that was offered by the member of the council from New York. [Reading:]

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief is hereby authorized to employ a secretary at national headquarters at such price as he may deem necessary, and not to exceed \$1,800.

Do I hear a motion to that effect now?

(Comrade STAHL. I make that as a motion.

(Several comrades seconded the motion, it was put to the council by the commander in chief and unanimously carried.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The next thing in order was a motion by the quartermaster general fixing the compensation for the reporter in the sum of \$200. That is for the next encampment. Do I hear a motion to that effect now?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I renew the motion.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, and unanimously carried.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now the next thing that was called up last year was that an appropriation of \$200 be made for the editing of the Journal. Do I hear anything with reference to that?

Comrade WETHERBEE. I move that that appropriation be renewed.

(The motion was duly seconded, put to the council by the commander in chief, and unanimously carried.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That seems to be all that transpired there except that the commander in chief indicated where his headquarters would be. The present commander in chief mentioned the fact to some of the board of trustees of the Odd Fellows building. It will have to be called to the attention of the board, but this man thought that the board would give us headquarters in the Odd Fellows building and that without charge. That will depend on the action of the board, and I will find out what the board will do with reference to that. But I don't intend to carry the national headquarters around under my hat. I will temporarily establish the headquarters in my law office. I have a room, there, a very big room, that the adjutant general and the secretary can occupy until I find out from the grand lodge what they will do with reference to furnishing us headquarters. I would not want the Grand Army to think that the headquarters of this great organization was simply the appendix to a law office of any lawyer. I don't care what lawyer it was. I do not think it would look well. But temporarily I will have the headquarters in my office. I will have quarters in the Odd Fellows building as a part of my own office, and if I do not get satisfactory information from the officers of the grand lodge in regard to what they will do, I will then undertake to find quarters that will be commensurate with the dignity of the Grand Army. It is not going to be a very easy thing to do. The state-house would give us anything that they had, but it is chuck full clear to the top. The courthouse is a venerable pile. I have practiced law in it ever since it was built, but I do not think it is a very reputable place for the Grand Army of the Republic to have its headquarters. I don't know of any room there is in the courthouse that I would be willing to invite the members of the Grand Army to come and see the Grand Army in. I tried the Federal building and they say they are full up there, and we could not do anything with them until they heard from Washington, and so that is in the air. I do not believe that there is space in the city hall. The best I can say to you now, comrades, is that for the present, at any rate, the headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic will be in the Odd Fellows building, and just the precise room I do not know until I hear from the grand lodge. If anybody goes to the Odd Fellows building to find the Grand Army headquarters there will be no difficulty in finding out where it is.

Comrade SOMERS. You heard the statement and I believe I will make a motion that the commander in chief shall be directed to procure suitable rooms for the headquarters of the Grand Army of the



Republic on the best terms possible, and as authority for that shall have the approval of the council of administration in the transaction. Now, I am thinking that he will try first to get them without expense. If he is not able to do that, then he will make the very best terms he can. The amount is not known now. I want to approve his action in doing that, and not have him wandering around without any authority or any instructions. You know the substance. I think Comrade Willett probably could put that in better form.

Comrade WILLETT. No. I will simply second the motion made by the past commander in chief authorizing the commander in chief——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Put the adjutant general in, too.

Comrade WILLETT (continuing). And his adjutant general to secure the necessary quarters in harmony with the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I say that the adjutant general and I do not add the quartermaster general because the adjutant general is here and the quartermaster general may not be here when we want to decide about something. You have heard the motion. It is now open for your consideration. If anyone has anything to add we would be glad to hear from them. [Cries of "Question."] All in favor of the motion, which is that the commander in chief with his adjutant general be authorized to secure appropriate headquarters for the Grand Army of the Republic for the ensuing year at the expense of the quartermaster general, will signify it by saying aye. Contrary, no. There seems to be a very surprising unanimity in the meeting of this council of administration. I know of no instance where there was much more unanimity than there is here unless it was when they were selecting a commander in chief.

I want to say to the council of administration and through them to all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic that it was a matter of very great gratification to me, after having served as long as I have with the Grand Army of the Republic and being as well known as I have tried to make myself, that I received this place by the unanimous vote of my comrades. I regard it as a wonderful tribute that I shall prize all the days of my life. [Applause.]

That closes for the present all the business, as I understand it, of the council of administration. Is there anything else to come up?

Comrade WHITMAN. I move that we adjourn.

(The motion prevailed, and at 1.05 o'clock p. m. the national council of administration stood adjourned.)

# UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS CAMP FIRE AND PARADE

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**RECEPTION AND SEMIOFFICIAL MEETING OF THE FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, HELD IN TOMLINSON HALL, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MONDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 20, 1920.**

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EDWARD A. KAHN, CHAIRMAN OF THE CITIZENS COMMITTEE, PRESIDING.

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The meeting was called to order, after music by the band, at 7.45 p. m.

Hon. ROBERT W. McBRIDE, department commander of Indiana. The governor of the State of Indiana will now extend a welcome to the visiting comrades and their allied organizations.

Hon. JAMES P. GOODRICH, governor of Indiana. Mr. Chairman, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, ladies and gentlemen: I count it a high honor on behalf of Indiana, a State that gave to the cause of the Civil War nearly a quarter of a million of her brave sons, a State that has never failed to respond to any call of the Federal Government in time of peace or time of war, the State of Oliver P. Morton [applause], the Great War governor of Indiana, to extend a word of welcome to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and their affiliated organizations.

A meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic is always an assemblage of patriots, giving inspiration for the coming generations, calling upon men and women in every walk of life to do their whole duty to the country in time of peace as you did your duty in times of war.

Many of those who participated in the Civil War, the most of them, have answered to the final roll call. In a few short years there will be no more of you among us, but long after that beautiful monument in the Circle, erected by a grateful State in memory of the brave boys of the Civil War, shall have crumbled into dust, the memory of those brave men who served the country in that great conflict will live, a priceless heritage to our people, inspiring each generation firmly to resolve that the Government for which they sacrificed so much shall not perish.

You and your comrades came to the country's aid at a time when its life was threatened. Then the Nation was divided against itself. The war threatened to break the country into two discordant parts, a prey to any designing foreign power that might desire to set one against the other. Now, as the result of that war, the United States is an assured fact, a great, strong, free Nation, North and South, willing, as shown by the World War, to make whatever sacrifice may be necessary that the Nation might live with dignity and honor, and discharge its full duty to the other free nations of the world.

A defeat of the Union cause in the Civil War would have set back the cause of liberty for centuries. Instead of a great, strong,



united nation, we might easily have become a hopeless aggregation of jealous States, so that when the call of humanity came in the World War we would not have been able to have answered.

When the cause of the rebellion was checked on the field of Gettysburg, the Union Army was not only dealing a death blow to slavocracy, but was also preserving for the future a great Nation which was to deliver the death blow to the Prussian spirit of world domination. Had you lost then, there would have been no Government of the United States of America to-day. Liberty would have been a byword, and disloyalty and disunion would have been the tenets of faith. For your sacrifices and your heroism the hearts of the American people and the civilized world go out to you in gratitude to-day.

Generation after generation appear upon the stage of action in our country, play their parts, and go their way. The ability of one generation to do its full duty depends upon how the preceding generation did its duty. The soul and the spirit of the Nation is made up of the contribution of the men and women in every age, who have not failed when the country called, whether in times of peace or in times of war. Measured by that standard, what a priceless heritage is ours to-day!

There speaks to us across the intervening years the memories of Bunker Hill, of Valley Forge, of Yorktown, of Chickamauga, of Gettysburg, of Antietam, and the Wilderness, of San Juan and El Caney, of Chateau Thierry, and the Argonne, calling to the men and the women of to-day to dedicate their lives to the great cause of civil and religious liberty, and see to it that the institutions of our country shall not fail because of any lack of service and sacrifice upon the part of her citizenship. [Applause.]

To see to it that the principles of the American Constitution, under which we have developed a civilization unequalled in the world, is protected against the assaults of internationalism from within or without. [Applause.]

The precious heritage of American liberty and freedom of action, established by our Revolutionary ancestors, and preserved by the blood of our soldiers, is too vital a thing to be bartered away for the prospect of an experimental journey into any untried Utopian field. [Great applause.]

Again and again, I bid you welcome. We are glad to have you with us. It is an honor and a rare privilege to entertain you. Your presence here, awakening the memories of days gone by, will strengthen the soul and spirit of Indiana, and when you leave us there will remain in our midst spiritual forces that will make Indiana a better, a truer, and a nobler State. [Applause.]

May we not hope that you will carry back to your own States nothing but the most pleasant recollections of your stay among us, and that all the good that comes to us from your presence here may return unto you many, many, fold. [Applause.]

(The next number was music by the band.)

The CHAIRMAN. Ladies and gentlemen, when I was appointed chairman of the citizens' committee I knew that I would love the work, and I now find myself in the position of the orphan child who took sick with a contagious disease in an orphan's home and had to be removed to a private family. When the child recovered

the nurse said, "Come, Dolly, let's go back to the home." And the child cried and sobbed and said, "Please don't take me back to the home. Please don't take me back." And the nurse said, "Why?" "Because here auntie kisses me good night, and they don't kiss me at the home." And I am in the same position as that child. I don't like to go back to my routine work, because this has been a great work for a great cause, and all I can say is "God bless the Grand Army of the Republic and all that it stands for." [Applause.]

You have heard greetings from the State of Indiana. Now we will have a message of welcome from one of Indiana's veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am sure the next speaker needs no introduction to an Indianapolis audience or to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. With great pride do I present to you Judge Robert W. McBride, of Indianapolis, commander of the department of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

HON. ROBERT W. MCBRIDE. As the chairman of the citizens' committee has said to you, the work of entertaining this national encampment has been a work of love. It is but little over two months and a half ago that the work was undertaken. As soon as we knew that it might be possible to obtain this encampment and the word went out, among others, to our governor, to our mayor, to the heads of our commercial institutions, the response from every direction was prompt and emphatic: "Invite them, by all means, and while we will have to do in two and a half months the work that other cities have taken a year in which to do, we will do it." [Applause.]

The work has been one of love. It has not been done, however, by the men of the Grand Army of the Republic. It was our boys, to most of whom the War of the Rebellion is only history. Our mayor, our governor, don't know much about it from personal recollection, and I am certain that the chairman of this committee and the heads of nearly every other committee know nothing about it except as a matter of history. And yet they have gone into the work enthusiastically and promptly.

I think I could give you some of the reasons why Indiana and Indianapolis have been thus so prompt, so earnest, and so sincere in wishing to have you come among them. I am a believer not only in national but in local patriotism. I don't think much of the man who doesn't stand up for his State, his city, as well as for his country. [Applause.] And there are some things about Indiana's history that will explain why the people of Indianapolis and the people of Indiana were so ready and so eager to have you come among them.

Indiana was admitted to the family of States in 1816, and she immediately took a boy to raise—a 7-year-old boy from Kentucky. She kept him for 14 years, nurtured him, brought him to manhood, and when he was full 21 years of age, 6 feet 4 inches in height, and of mental and moral stature that is immeasurable, Indiana presented to Illinois and the Nation and the world the greatest of all Americans—Abraham Lincoln. [Great applause].

Abraham Lincoln is credited to Illinois, is claimed by Kentucky, but, as I have said, he left Kentucky a boy 7 years old, and the 14 years he spent in Indiana between 7 and 21 are the years that made character, and it was Lincoln, the man, that left Indiana and became the common property of the world. [Applause.]



There are some other things about the history of Indiana that I think it might be worth while to recall at this time. When Lincoln called upon the men of the North to rally to the defense of the Union, Indiana gave to the Nation that greatest of all the war governors of that wonderful time, Oliver P. Morton. [Applause.] [A comrade: "How about John A. Andrew?"] [Another comrade: "We had a good one over in Iowa, too."]

There were good war governors in many States, but Oliver P. Morton towered head and shoulders above all of them. What Indiana did in the way of furnishing men to help save this Nation you may know if you read the record on the monument over here in the Circle.

It was an Indiana man who first died on the field of battle in the Civil War over in West Virginia. It was an Indiana man who laid down his life in the last battle of the war. The last man to die was a man from this State. [Applause.] And in the Great War overseas the first man to die in battle was an Indiana boy, Gresham, of Evansville. And the first shot that was fired from a cannon was fired by an Indiana boy, Sergeant Archer, of South Bend.

Now, the governor, I think, would have referred to some of these things except for the fact that he is a native-born Hoosier; and one of the facts that all the world knows is the modesty of the native-born Hoosier. [Laughter.] It is proper enough for me to say these things because I am only an adopted son of Indiana. True, I was adopted some 54 years ago, and it is for that reason that I take pride in Indiana's record.

There are some things that are very interesting in connection with Indiana's record. When Lee started on his retreat from Petersburg and reached Appomattox he found an Indiana man in command of a division of infantry in line of battle across his path. Maj. Gen. Robert S. Foster, popularly known in Indianapolis as "Sandy" Foster, one of the most prominent generals developed in the Civil War.

You have all read the story of Chateau Thierry. I believe the governor referred to it. How when the general officer who was commanding the American troops stepped into the breach and undertook to stem the tide of German militarism, the French officer explained to him that he was only expected to hold the line as long as he could and then to fall back and they would cover his retreat. The general said: "Retreat! Why, we are just beginning to advance." And they did advance, and their advance never stopped until it swept through the Argonne woods and to victory. [Applause.] And that general was an Indiana boy, reared over here in our neighboring county of Henry.

Indiana has had many things in that way to be proud of, but there are some things in connection with the Grand Army of the Republic. Why, the Grand Army of the Republic was born here in Indianapolis in 1866. Its first annual encampment was held here. The ritual was written by a man from Illinois, but here the first encampment was held, and that same general, Robert S. Foster, was its first junior vice commander in chief.

Now, commander in chief, heads of the allied organizations, and comrades who are here present, in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Department of Indiana I bid you welcome to this,

your homecoming to the place where your organization was born. [Applause.] You have always had a warm place in our hearts. Come into our homes; make yourselves at home; and when you go away, go away expecting to come back here in 27 years to another national encampment. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. We will now be favored with a selection from the band, "Hail to the Chief."

(The selection was played by the band.)

Ladies and gentlemen, I take great pleasure in introducing Col. G. A. Hosley, chief of staff.

Chief of Staff GEORGE A. HOSLEY, of Massachusetts. Mr. Chairman, comrades of the Grand Army, and members of the allied organizations, citizens of Indianapolis, it was with extreme pleasure that I listened to the introductory remarks by Judge McBride, department commander of Indiana. It almost made me wish I had been born in Indiana. I am sure if I had been consulted about the matter I would have been born here in Indiana. [Applause.] Unfortunately, I was not.

Now, I have a pleasant duty to perform here. It is one of the duties that I came to Indianapolis to perform. It is a duty that I have performed for the last five years, and I take more pleasure as each year comes around on its orbit in doing my part in this little matter.

The Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic did not seek this office. It was thrust upon him, unfortunately, by the death of him who was elected commander in chief at Columbus, Ohio. But since he came into this office he has worked gloriously for the good of the order. No commander in chief who has ever held that office has worked more sincerely, more generously, given his time more conscientiously in the performance of his duty than Dan Hall, Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

You all know the unfortunate circumstances of our changing our encampment—fortunately for you people of Indianapolis—from Atlantic City to this city. In a short time the work you have performed, Mr. Chairman and your citizens, has been marvelous. It is shown by the grand welcome here to-night of the citizens in welcoming these boys. The commander in chief in his hard work and strenuous work has succeeded in getting a 1 cent a mile rate. You comrades will realize, and you ladies of the allied organizations, the work that has devolved upon him and his committee in securing this rate to you. Without any further remarks I am going to call on Commander in Chief Hall to stand up and face me. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief, I take great pleasure in presenting this diamond badge to you. It is raised by contributions of your official family and your aids-de-camp. These friends who are true friends to you wished to have you wear it, not for the intrinsic value of this gift, but for the love that accompanies it, and they wish you to cherish it as long as you live. I take great pleasure in presenting it to you, Commander in Chief Hall. [Applause.]

Comrades of the Grand Army, ladies of the Relief Corps and allied organizations, Army nurses, citizens, and all—Daniel M. Hall, commander in chief.

Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL, of Columbus, Ohio. Mr. Chairman. Comrade Hosley, Gov. Goodrich, comrades, and friends. I expected to say a few words in response to the warm words of



welcome that we have received, but Comrade Hosley has scared my speech entirely away. I want to say to Comrade Hosley and to the aids and friends who have so generously contributed to this badge, that I shall prize it probably higher than any other gift I have ever received, coming as it does from those whom I love best outside of my own family—the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.] As he has said, I shall prize it, not entirely for its beauty, for it is beautiful; not on account of its value, although it may be valuable; but on account of the love in the hearts of those that gave it, and as I look upon it I shall remember you, my comrades, who have donated so generously for this badge, and always have a pleasant memory of you, my dear comrades.

We have received, my comrades, a warm welcome into this city. As we rolled into this city on the trains and came in sight of it, we saw Old Glory floating from the house tops. When we saw it we knew that we were welcome. When we alighted from the trains and saw the smiles upon the faces of the comrades and the people of this city, we knew we were welcome. When the glad hand was reached out to us, we knew we were welcome. And to-night we have received these warm words of welcome from Gov. Goodrich and from Judge McBride, our beloved comrade, and we know we are welcome. We are glad, Mr. Governor, we are glad, Department Commander of Indiana, that we are in this city. We are pleased to be here in the patriotic State of Indiana, and those of us that were in the war are old enough to remember that great governor of this State, the war governor as he was called, Oliver P. Morton.

We are glad to come to this State. Indiana is a patriotic State. Indianapolis is the hotbed of patriotism, and I think it certainly will be this week. You have more patriotic people in your city to-day and this week than you have ever had before since its existence. These men, gentlemen, that you see before you to-night were boys a little more than half a century ago, when that greatest of all American citizens, President Lincoln, called for 75,000 troops.

Oh, I wish I could make these young people, these people born since the war, feel something of that thrill that went through the hearts of these old boys—young boys then—when that first gun was fired on Fort Sumter. From the time that Burgoyne and Cornwallis laid down their arms before Washington, from the date that Washington established a government in this country, while we had had wars, we had wars that called for patriotism and called for sacrifice, but never till then had we had a war that threatened the life of the Nation. The people of this Nation had always been patriotic, but that patriotism had lain dormant until the life of the Nation was threatened, and then patriotism became a passion.

These young men went to the recruiting offices and instead of 75,000, twice that number offered their services to defend the old flag and preserve the Nation. The Government was unprepared for war. They were poorly armed, with old muskets that had been laid away for years and years, but they were rushed to the front.

It is hardly worth while for me to go to any extent over the results of the war. The first awful battle of Bull Run was disastrous to us. Hardly drilled at all, poorly armed! But from Bull Run to Appomattox, over a period of more than four long years, you marched

and tramped and fought, and along that long trail that lasted for four long years you left behind you, buried in shallow graves, approximately 100,000 of your comrades. Add to that the number that died from disease and were starved to death in those rebel hell-holes, and 400,000 precious lives were sacrificed that we might have one country under one flag—I would to God it was one country, one flag, and *one language*.

But you marched, and camped, and fought, and at Appomattox you conquered. You came home. A certain class of people in the North was very much worried for fear you would all become bandits and outlaws, and there were terrible things said about what would happen. But this great army melted away into citizenship.

You paid off—maybe these people, some of them, don't know what we got for standing in line of battle to be shot at. At first, \$11 a month; later on, \$13; and when we were discharged the maximum was \$16 a month. And that money was worth 40 cents on the dollar, \$6.40 in gold. And you didn't kick about it, either.

You went to work. You didn't look for a job the hardest part of which would be to draw your salary. These men, when they came home from the Army, were the backbone of the Nation. We found our mothers, our sisters, working in the harvest fields, and we took their places.

They went into the shops, they went into the stores, they went onto the farms, they went West, and kept going West. During the last few months I have gone across the wide prairie States; States that had no citizens, no men to send into the Army in the sixties, have large departments of the Grand Army of the Republic to-day. It was the soldiers, the Civil War veterans, that went West and set up the western empire, that turned those prairie States into gardens. The Dakotas, that raise the wheat for the bread to feed half the world to-day, were settled largely by Civil War veterans and their descendents.

In 1862 my regiment was sent down through Indian Territory, now Oklahoma, inhabited then by Indians, wild animals, and a few rattlesnakes, now one of the wealthiest States of this Union, and a large Department of the Grand Army of the Republic there. [Applause.] It was the men who fought the war to the finish who came home and made this country what it is to-day. I will have to be careful or I will take too much of your time. There are some eloquent speakers here, and there are half a dozen of them to come after me. I just want to repeat what I said, when I got up, to these men that have given us such a warm welcome. We thank you for this hearty welcome. We knew and I knew I had to take the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic away from Atlantic City, and I stated the situation to four or five of the large cities in the Middle West—but a telegram came from Indianapolis: "The governor, the mayor, the president of the chamber of commerce, and of the business men's association, and the department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic ask you to come to Indianapolis."

I called my executive committee of the council of administration together and I sent word to Judge McBride to come to Columbus. We went over the situation and canceled our contract with Atlantic City. they saying that they could not entertain us without the ap-



propriation made by the legislature, which was not available. We canceled the contract, and Judge McBride arose, and as he has talked to you to-night, he talked to us and told us to come to Indianapolis and we would be welcome, they would take care of us, and the unanimous vote of that committee was to come. We are here to-night, my comrades. We are here to-night, fellow citizens, and we are glad we are here. [Applause.] And from the bottom of my heart and in behalf of the 103,000 members of the Grand Army of the Republic, I thank you for this welcome—for this cordial welcome.

The CHAIRMAN. The city of Indianapolis is represented by a fellow citizen, who is 100 per cent American. Mayor Jewett reminds me of the story of the man who could not get into a club because he was not for America first. Mayor Jewett is not for America first. Mayor Jewett is for America first, second, and last. [Applause.] Mayor Jewett coined a sentence during the last war in one of his addresses which I can never forget. He said: "How wonderful it is to live under a flag that never trailed in the dust of defeat." I take pleasure in introducing the mayor of the city of Indianapolis, Hon. Charles W. Jewett.

Mayor CHARLES W. JEWETT. Mr. Chairman, honored guests, Gov. Goodrich, ladies, and gentlemen, the train upon which our house guests for this occasion were to arrive was due to arrive here at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Since that time Mrs. Jewett and I have been lingering at the Union Station until 7.45, thus my delay in arriving at the beginning of this meeting, for which I apologize.

There is no word, my friends, of welcome which I might extend to you which would be sufficient to express the gratitude of the citizens of this great city upon your presence here. Seldom, if ever, has Indianapolis been more highly honored than it is by the presence of the Grand Army of the Republic and the societies affiliated with that great patriotic organization. [Applause.]

We are living to-day in a new world. Our great Republic has come down to this hour rich in wealth, mighty in influence, and the entire world to-day has its eye on the American Republic. [Applause.] It stands the brilliant example in all history of a great people governed by their own consent. There is not a nation in all the world like America. I like to think of the things that distinguish this great American Republic from the other peoples of the world.

We are peculiarly constituted. We have drawn our citizenship from every race and every nationality in all of the world. It has not been the vagabond that has come here as our forefather. It was not the derelict of Europe that pioneered this great country of ours. It was the man of purpose, the man of ambition, the man whose character and whose worth spoke of an ambition that he held in his breast as sacred to him for the welfare of himself and his future and the future of his family that brought him to America.

It takes a great deal of courage, my friends, for a man away over there, three or four thousand miles away, to take his little wife by the hand and his small infant children, to wrap all of their earthly possessions into a red tablecloth and tie the four corners together, swing it over his shoulder, and start thousands of miles away to the west to a land that he knows nothing of, filled with strangers, but

only in his mind the single purpose and ambition that the great freedom of this country, the great liberty, and the great justice of this free America means to him and to his greater and more blessed opportunities. It takes a man of character and of sterling worth to come from those distant lands with that noble purpose in view, to pioneer his career and his own life in a country like ours. That is the kind of stock that our forefathers came from. [Applause.]

And after they had been here into the second generation they knew no foreign traits. They left the prejudices of the Old World behind them, and their sons and daughters had been melted into the great citizenship of this Republic, and they stand to-day, and their offspring, as the most stalwart human beings with the most noble purposes that men can have anywhere in the entire world. [Applause.]

We are peculiarly constituted as a people. We have taken from every nationality and every race the best elements of character, the best elements of manhood, and welded them into one great common Americanism, and that has been the process of the last 150 years. We know the history of our great country. We know the trials and the tribulations and the hardships of our forefathers. We know from reading our history that this great Nation of people was not made as if by magic. It is the culmination of an ideal. It is the last accomplishment of a purpose, and it has been carried out by the best type of manhood and womanhood.

We have just gone through probably the greatest crisis that the world has even known in the Great World War. America was not so favorably thought of as a great power before that war. We had been isolated upon this continent. Most of our difficulties had been among ourselves. We fought the Revolutionary War, declared and established our independence. We fought the War of 1812, established our rights upon the high seas. We repulsed Mexico in 1845, and then came the great Civil War, testing whether, as Abraham Lincoln said, "This Government so constituted and so endowed could live." And then the Spanish-American War.

But in the World War, in which armies were measured, not by the hundreds of thousands, but by the millions—by the millions—with France with 7,500,000 men in uniform, England an equal amount, and Italy only a trifle less, with 5,500,000; with every means of warfare that could be devised in play; with all of the scientific inventions of the past 50 years centered into the implements and the machinery of scientific destruction—why, little had we thought of warfare in the light it was shown to be in 1914 to 1917. It was not the same kind of war that you men knew. There wasn't the romance and the chivalry in it that we read about in history. It was scientific, modern destruction, inspired by the most military autocratic Government that ever existed on the face of the earth—the German Imperial Government. And, my friends, their preparation for destruction led to a revolutionary stage of warfare, and we were called upon to cope with that kind of an enemy that dared stoop to the meanest trick in order to destroy human life and win a certain target or prospective.

It was the greatest trial, probably, that this Nation will ever have, and one big, significant thing impressed itself upon me during that great crisis that we were called upon to face. It was this: I never



fully realized until then the great accomplishment of the soldiers of the Civil War. Think what it would have meant if in the sixties this American Republic had gone to pieces. Think what it would have meant to-day to the progress of Christianity and of the civilized world if, instead of having a united Republic, a Union of States, strong, mighty, great in its power, in its potentiality, and in its influence, this Nation had lost the struggle of the Civil War.

What would it have meant to future generations? Almost as certainly as we are present here to-night victory would have been delayed and maybe never accomplished, because we know that poor, bleeding France had been bled white on the battle fields of Flanders and the eastern front, and we know that England, with her stubborn tenacity, was giving way and breaking before the onslaught of the German murderers when the American soldiery came to the rescue with the balance of power that preserved and saved the liberties of the world, with the balance of power that brought home the victory for those ideals and those principles that our forefathers fought to establish here and you veterans of the Civil War fought to preserve in this Union. [Applause.]

So, my friends, not only is this great Republic that has made such phenomenal progress during the past 70 years grateful to you men, but the entire world is grateful to the men who saved the American Union that it might come down to the year 1917 and be the great factor in saving the liberties of the civilized world for generations to come. So, my friends, to-night, upon the opening of this your encampment, may I bid each of you a hearty, sincere welcome on behalf of the city of Indianapolis? You will find in our citizenry no more patriotic people in all the United States. Their loyalty can not be excelled, and we pride ourselves upon Hoosier hospitality. [Applause.]

If it were necessary in this city I would present each and every one of you with a key that would unlock every hidden recess that we possess. But I assure you that upon this occasion there is nothing locked to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.] It is all open. The city is yours. We want you to enjoy it to the utmost of your capacity, and if there is anything that you want that you don't see that we can legally give to you we certainly will procure it. [Great applause.]

(Mrs. Arnold Spencer, of Indianapolis, then sang "Marching Through Georgia," which was heartily applauded.)

The CHAIRMAN. Who are nearest to the hearts of the Grand Army of the Republic? The Army nurses. Who went on the battle fields at the call of their country? The Army nurses, who are now held in love, honor, and devotion! The Army nurses, God bless them, one and all. We are now privileged to hear greetings from Mrs. Alice Cary Risley, national president of the National Association of Army Nurses of the Civil War.

Mrs. ALICE CARY RISLEY, of Jefferson City, Mo. Mr. Chairman and our comrades, fifty-eight years ago when you were boys and we were girls, never in our wildest imagination could we have pictured our meeting here to-night. Yet 104 Army nurses, members of the National Association of Army Nurses, send you hearty greetings, fragrant of the memory of those old, old days. There are many nurses

who are not members of the association who would gladly join me in these greetings if they knew anything about it.

No organization can come closer to you than the Army nurses. There is a bond of comradeship between us which will endure until the end of time. When I say the end of time, I speak advisedly, for when you cross over, if you are in need of an Army nurse, you will find her right there. We are just as loyal to you to-day as we were in the days of 1861 to 1865.

Now, I did all my work in the sixties. These other people are going to tell you what they have done since. So I haven't anything to brag about since 1867.

I understand that the Thirty-fourth Indiana was made up in or near Indianapolis. I am an honorary member of the Thirty-fourth Indiana for my services in the hospitals and convalescent camps in New Orleans. If there are any of the Thirty-fourth Indiana or the Eighteenth Indiana, Col. Washburn's regiment, I would be glad to have them call on me at the Claypool Hotel.

Again, I extend you hearty greetings from the Army Nurses' Association.

The CHAIRMAN. Response to the greetings of Mrs. Risley will be made by that well-known past commander in chief, Corpl. James Tanner. I regret to advise you that Corpl. Tanner is not here.

We will now have greetings from the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, and with pleasure do I present Mrs. Abbie Lynch.

Mrs. ABBIE LYNCH, national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, of Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. Chairman, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, members of the allied organizations, and friends, I think perhaps no greater honor can ever come to me than to stand before you this evening as the representative head of the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, and bring to that organization the greetings of 194,000 loyal women. Our object has been always—service. We have determined again that we can in no better way do honor to these comrades of ours than to teach the youth of our land to be 100 per cent American. And so, as we have done in the past, we propose to do in the future.

Our order is growing steadily. We have devoted our service to those men who gave so much for us, and we shall continue to do so always. It has been said we are all travelers in this world, and he is a fortunate voyager who finds a friend, and fortunate, indeed, is he who finds many.

So, Commander in Chief, in order to prove to you in a substantial way that the Grand Army of the Republic has many friends in this organization, I desire to present to you in the name of the National Woman's Relief Corps this check for \$1,000, and we trust that you may find it in some degree useful.

Mrs. Risley, national president of the Army Nurses' Association, the Woman's Relief Corps are very near to those angels of mercy who served our comrades on the battle field, and we feel that we can not do too much for them. And so the Woman's Relief Corps present you this check for \$100 to help you have a good time. [Applause.] I thank you.

Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. Mrs. Lynch, I want to say to you in behalf of 103,000 Grand Army men that we fully appre-



ciate your generosity and the great good that we have received from you, not only to-night by this check for \$1,000, but I want to say to you people that the fact that we have a permanent fund upon which we can draw in our old age is largely due to those loyal women of the Relief Corps who have come to us year after year, many and many times, with a check for \$1,000 and sometimes \$2,000, that we might not as an organization come to want. [Applause.]

So I know I speak the sentiment of every Grand Army man in all this broad land when I say that we fully appreciate the noble work of the ladies of the Relief Corps, our auxiliary, and we thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. Response to the greetings of Mrs. Lynch will be given by a well-known past commander in chief, Hon. W. J. Patterson.

Past Commander in Chief W. J. PATTERSON, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Chairman and comrades: I came in during the eloquent address of Judge McBride. He spoke of all the great men of Indiana, and I agree with him that Indiana has a great many great men. But we must remember that there are representatives here to do honor to this occasion from 47 other great States of the Union, and I am here to-night particularly to say a word about Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Abbie Lynch, the president of the Woman's Relief Corps, is of Pennsylvania, and she is loved by every member of the Grand Army of the Republic in that State, and we all appreciate the noble work that the Woman's Relief Corps have accomplished for the Grand Army of the Republic. All the members of Pennsylvania already know her and love her, and I know that all the members of the organization of the Relief Corps, as well as the members of the Grand Army of the Republic from all parts of the country, love her. [Applause.]

I, personally, highly appreciate the privilege of saying a word on this occasion for the noble work she has accomplished in behalf of that organization in assisting the Grand Army of the Republic in such a substantial way as has been evidenced by the gift of this evening. Mrs. Lynch, I thank you heartily for your generous representation of your organization in presenting this check. [Applause.]

(Mrs. Arnold Spencer, of Indianapolis, then sang *Tenting on the Old Camp Ground*.)

The CHAIRMAN. I am going to request that the audience remain seated while the speakers have the floor. We will now have greetings from the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Mrs. Lillian Clark Cary.

Mrs. LILLIAN CLARK CARY, national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, of Dubuque, Iowa. Mr. Chairman, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, members of the patriotic allied organizations, and citizens of Indianapolis: We believe to-night that the heroes of the past speak to us, bringing us glad tidings for all this day holds, with its rich promises of continued prosperity and peace. No flames of battle shake our Nation with the deafening sound of death. No aching hearts, no constant prayers for safety of loved ones. All this has ceased, all but the service to our great country. We still serve the great America, greatest of all the wonders of the world, mighty, supreme, God's garden spot of hope and light and truth, wherein He sees reflected the glory of His habitation.

It is my great pleasure, as the national president of that great patriotic order of women, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, to bring you greetings to-night. This great order of women is caring for these veterans and their wives or their widows. They have erected homes in many different States of the Union where the widows of these veterans live in comfort and in peace. But this great patriotic order of women is not only planning for the present needs—they expect to transmit this order with increasing usefulness and power to their descendants, thus perpetuating the glorious record and the magnificent valor of the Union soldier. [Applause.]

Irrespective of creed or religious sentiment, they are promoting loyalty in the hearts of the children, and they deem this among the highest obligations of life. The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic are kin to the finest specimens of soldiery that ever listened to the marching call of the Nation, the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

This great army, as we have heard to-night from these beautiful tributes, suffered and fought under the scorching rays of a southern sun. They marched in countless numbers to the sea or scaled the heights of mountains, and all around them was the sound of murderous artillery, reminding them that lives must be sacrificed in order that the Nation might live. And the dying utterance of the Union soldier, "My country, 'tis of thee," is the grandest oration of patriotism that ever fell from human lips.

The progress of this great army has not been interrupted for a little more than half a century, and now after the destruction of slavery and the preservation of the Union we behold the promised day of jubilee. But, patriotic citizens, this day would never have dawned for us if the Grand Army of the Republic had not fought out the problems on the southern battle fields.

Out of this Civil War and all of the other wars there has arisen a real liberty that defies any nation upon the face of the earth to dare to trample upon its sanctity. The Grand Army of the Republic are now pitching their tents by the silent river. But they are not passing into the silent city of the dead. They are passing into the mausoleum of human hearts to be enshrined there throughout all eternity.

I am proud to-night to say to you that I am a daughter of one of these veterans. [Applause.] And though these long and many years my father has been sleeping his long and dreamless sleep he still speaks to me from the Great Beyond to carry the message of love to his comrades and tell the story of how they saved the flag.

Against the skies Old Glory flies;  
It never looked so bright;  
And now it seems as though it gleams  
With a calm and even light.

And from on high it greets the eye,  
It grips the heart somehow;  
Though it has passed through struggles vast,  
Its proudest hour is now.

[Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. We are now to be favored with greetings from the National Alliance Daughters of Veterans, Mrs. Clara Gilchrist Yengling.



Mrs. CLARA GILCHRIST YENGLING (national president of the Daughters of Veterans, Cleveland, Ohio). Mr. Chairman, Commander in Chief Hall, Your Excellency the Governor, Mr. Mayor, members of the patriotic allied orders and of the Grand Army of the Republic, and citizens of Indiana: For this whole-souled and royal welcome you have given to our fathers I bring you the profound gratitude of their daughters, and for this great brain power and patriotic fervor expressed by and through this wonderful program for the week we tender you our thanks.

We are proud to proclaim to the world we are the direct descendants of the brave men who fought for all that Old Glory represents in her proud position of never having known defeat. And we are proud of our fathers, for they have demonstrated the brotherhood of man in carrying to a successful issue the greatest and grandest patriotic organization in existence, the Grand Army of the Republic.

It is my great pleasure and privilege to-night to represent the National Alliance Daughters of Veterans and, Commander in Chief Hall, in this silver casket you will find our annual contribution to the Grand Army of the Republic permanent fund. You will find a check for \$600. And to you, Commander, we are giving the silver casket, believing that as you look upon its shining surface in the years to come you will have tender and pleasing memories of the year when you were commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

And to your dear wife [Mrs. Hall called to the front of the platform], these flowers in all their beauty and fragrance carry our message of love.

Mrs. DANIEL M. HALL. I dearly love flowers, but the one thing I love more is the grand old soldiers.

Mrs. YENGLING. And to our dear Army nurses we also have a little token. This is our first meeting; we have been corresponding all the year through. Mrs. Risley, it would be hard for me to express to you the love and reverence that we have for you and the association that you represent in this token. This check for \$100, we give it to you. [Applause.] It carries with it our undying gratitude to the brave women who cared for our fathers on the battle fields in the war of 1861-1865.

Comrades, one and all, God bless you, and may the direct descendants of the Union veterans of the Civil War, the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, be worthy of the recognition given them because their fathers saved the Union and laid the foundation for the democracy of America. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. Mrs. Yengling, these good things are coming so thick and fast to-night that I hardly know what to say. But in behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, the greatest organization of any kind in existence in the world to-day, I want to thank you and through you the organization you represent, the Daughters of Veterans, for your generous gift. If there is anyone in the wide world a man should love more than his own wife it should be his own daughter, and, comrades, we should think more of the Daughters of Veterans than anyone else because they are our descendants, our flesh and blood.

And so we say to you, Mrs. Yengling, that from the bottom of our hearts we thank you for this generous, this noble gift.

I have met Mrs. Yengling many times during the year at department encampments. I have heard her eloquent words and known of her great and noble work for the order she represents and for the Grand Army of the Republic. We haven't quarreled any, even if she is red-headed. We have got along all right. She says I always have to say something about that red hair.

Mrs. YENGLING. I will tell you, he is my grandfather's comrade, and he can call me names if he wants to.

Commander in Chief HALL. I know she is good-natured, and so I say just what I have a mind to about her. But I know that it is not only my thanks, but I know that I represent and I speak the feelings of every Grand Army man here when I say to this lady, and through her to her organization, "We thank you from the bottom of our hearts."

The CHAIRMAN. Your chairman understood that Hon. David J. Palmer was not here to-night, but I have since learned he is, and I am going to ask him to respond to the greetings of Mrs. Cary, who is president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Past Commander in Chief DAVID J. PALMER, of Iowa. Mr. Chairman, over in our country we had a young man that thought he was calculated to go to Congress. He prepared a maiden speech, hired the hall himself, and gave out the date and hour. A great audience gathered, and he took his young wife with him down and seated her and told her, "When this is over I will find you and we will go home together." He made his speech—quite awhile at it—got out, got his wife, and started home. They walked several blocks, not a word said. Finally he said, "Jane, how did I get along with that speech?" "Why, George, you did first rate, but you didn't observe your opportunities." "Opportunities! What do you mean by that?" "You had several opportunities to quit before you did."

My speech is just like a bologna sausage. I can cut it off any place and it won't hurt it a bit. If I were to stand here and recite all the good things that have been done by the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and you would wait on me, you would not get out of here until midnight. [Applause.]

My good friend and neighbor here comes from Iowa (referring to Mrs. Cary), and it is said, "In all that is good Iowa affords the best." She is the president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic of this Union. She has been at work at that a great many years, along the line of work done by the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the works and deeds that have been done are simply without number. They are numberless. They are always busy, always at it, and always seem to have their eye on the flag of the Union, and that is worth a lot to any young man or young woman, or old one either.

How did these boys do when they came home? Did they lose sight of the flag? They went out into western Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, the Dakotas, and others of these States that hadn't any inhabitants scarcely. There they built up communities second to none in the world around for reputation. How did that come? Because they had their eye on the flag all the time. [Applause.] That is what makes loyal boys and loyal girls, to keep the flag in sight and call their attention to what it means.



That is what the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic have been doing for these years past, showing the flag of the Union to the boys and girls in school and out of school. That to us is something, my comrades, that we can not forget and ought not to forget. Think of that, of the women that we have in this country, uncrowned queens of America that are worth more than all the queens in the world. [Great applause.]

What makes a household is a queen in the household, one whose orders are obeyed. I have a queen over in Iowa that tells me where to head in, all right, and I always head in, too. That is what every man needs, is a queen to direct him, give him proper orders. Now, we have got this country full of queens; great uncrowned queens of America. That is worth all the world to us, and we want to care for them.

That is what these Ladies of the Grand Army have been doing for years past; that I have observed for many, many years past. They are busy all the time, all the time talking about patriotism. What is that to us—patriotism? It is all to us. That is what we want to think about, right now and from this on. Right in this country, my comrades, you know what is going on. All of you people know what is going on right in our country here. Why are those depredations going on? It is because somebody has taken their eyes away from the flag. They have forgotten what freedom is, and we want to put them in mind of it; and these Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic are helping to do that, and we stand by them with all the might and main we have, and this country will still be “the land of the free and the home of the brave.” [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. Response to the greetings of Mrs. Yengling will be given by another well-known past commander in chief, Hon. Washington Gardner.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER, of Michigan. Mr. Chairman, ladies, and gentlemen, I do not know why Past Commander in Chief Palmer should have waited until my girl spoke. He had a good speech to reply to in Mrs. Cary. He did not need to wait until the president of the Daughters of Veterans spoke in order to get inspiration for his speech. I wish he had gotten in where he belonged and not in my place, for I am commissioned by my comrades of the Grand Army to reciprocate the greetings of the Daughters of Veterans.

You have heard our speaker. She is just characteristic of the girls that she represents. Nothing less than \$100 goes with any of them when they buy a new dress, or \$500 for a new cloak, as the case may be. Those are our girls, and Mrs. Yengling has the honor to be president of the National Alliance of the Daughters of Veterans, organized, I think, in 30 of the great States of this Union, and new States are entering into the confederacy—that does not have a very pleasant sound in a Grand Army meeting—into this new union of the Daughters.

I am proud to be here and recognize this body of women in whose veins flows the blood that was made vibrant along a thousand miles of battle line where the fathers fought, and fought out to a settlement, all the great issues that were involved.

Mrs. Yengling, 90 out of every 100 that Lincoln called to the colors are on the Other Side. A bare 10 per cent remain. Soon

these will be gone. But your organization will remain. The Nation will remain. Your work will remain. The Daughters of the Veterans of the Civil War along the line of succeeding generations will hold up the standard around which their sires rallied in the great strife. We can pass on, feeling secure that in their hands and those whom they will influence the country will be safe.

God bless the Daughters of Veterans, and may they live a thousand years in their organization and perpetuate this mighty Republic until it shall lead out all the world unto the high plane which our fathers sought when they founded it. [Applause.]

(The band then played "On the Banks of the Wabash.")

The CHAIRMAN. We will now have greetings from the Sons of Veterans of the United States of America by Hon. Harry D. Sisson, commander in chief.

HARRY D. SISSON, of Pittsfield, Mass. Mr. Chairman, commander in chief, and comrades—a few of you: It is a distinguished privilege. I assure you, to stand before you at this time and bring to you the greetings of your sons. It has been a remarkable experience in the year to have been associated with the Grand Army of the Republic and its representatives. Early in the year it was your misfortune to lose your commander in chief, the man of your choice of last year. Early in the year it was your fortune, none the less, to find Dan Hall, and you have had a commander in chief who was a commander in chief in deed as well as in name. [Applause.]

It has been a pleasure to serve with him and serve him in a humble way, and I want to say to you, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, that no stronger hope animates the breasts of your boys than that the privilege of attending to the duties of Memorial Day as you would have it done shall devolve upon them during all the years to come.

I will take no more of your time, but I will assure you that the loyalty which has been set as a standard for the world by you is appreciated by your boys, and the right to extend it to future generations is a privilege which we shall prize in your memory. I thank you. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. Response to Mr. Sisson by Hon. Samuel R. Van Sant, past commander in chief.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. He has gone to bed. He always goes to bed at this time.

The CHAIRMAN. Next will be greetings from the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, Miss Mary Tredo, national president.

MISS MARY L. TREDO, of Paterson, N. J. Mr. Chairman, Commander in Chief Hall, and comrades, during this past year it has been my great pleasure and privilege to have met your commander in chief on many occasions, and I am happy to say that we have had many pleasant associations and that we have always found him very courteous and very pleasant in every way. Our associations have been of the very happiest during the past year, and I am proud, as the national president of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, to bear greetings to the Grand Army of the Republic.

And in appreciation for all the courtesies shown us during the past year I have a little token that I wish to present to Commander in Chief Hall in the name of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary. (Presenting \$250.) I thank you.



Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. It seems that once more I have to acknowledge a gift from another of our allied organizations, the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, an organization of which the Grand Army is proud. It has been doing a great work along the line of patriotism. I have met the president at many of the department encampments in the year that has past and gone, and our association has been very pleasant, indeed. I thank you in behalf of all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic for your gift.

The CHAIRMAN. Response to Miss Tredo by Hon. John R. King, past commander in chief.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING, of Maryland. Mr. Chairman, Commander in Chief Hall, comrades, ladies, and gentlemen, Comrade McBride, in his wonderful talk about the first things and the first men of Indiana, forgot one thing—that is, that they had the tallest man in the Army. I knew Tom Buskirk. He was 10 feet 6½ inches tall, and he told me he had a sister that could stand flat-footed and lick salt off the top of his head. I just wanted to add that to Indiana's greatness.

Miss Tredo, you represent an organization that will outlive the Grand Army of the Republic, and I know that the work of your organization in the past will continue long after we have gone. Your work along the line of patriotism will live. But there are new duties and new responsibilities that have come to the women of this land in the last few weeks. You have now been panoplied with citizenship true and great, a favor that has been too long deferred. And I know that as citizens of the United States your auxiliary will continue to preach patriotism and to teach it to the children. You will teach them to vote as their fathers shot. You will teach the coming generation to honor the flag. That old flag shall stand alone, not entwined with any other flag on the face of the earth. [Applause.] It shall stand at the forefront. That flag shall stand alone in the high heavens, unstained with dishonor. And, thank God, it has never gone down to defeat.

(The audience then sang "America," after which the benediction was pronounced by Chaplain in Chief W. W. Gist, of Iowa, and at 10.10 p. m. the meeting closed.)

## THE GRAND PARADE.

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The following accounts of the parade held on Wednesday, September 22, 1920, are taken from the Indianapolis daily papers:

[News, Sept. 22, 1920.]

With firm tread 15,000 veterans of the Civil War marched in parade Wednesday before thousands of cheering spectators, bringing to a climax the fifty-fourth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. Marching tunes of the Civil War were played all along the line. For more than two hours the column marched past the reviewing stand on the south lawn of the statehouse, on which were national officials of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Indianapolis was host to a huge crowd present to witness the parade. Grand Army of the Republic officials and members of the citizens' encampment committee estimated that 100,000 visitors were in the city. Police officials said they had never had such a large crowd to handle in the downtown district. The spectators numbered from 75,000 to 90,000, according to estimates by police officials.

### TOO HOT FOR MANY VETERANS.

The temperature of 85° was too hot for scores of the veterans, who were cared for at first aid stations along the line of march. Several mild heat prostrations were reported, but only five of the veterans were taken to hospitals. The majority, who were taken care of at first aid stations, however, were able to leave after a few minutes rest.

Starting at Pennsylvania and New York Streets, the veterans marched west to Meridian Street, south around the Circle to East Market Street, east to Pennsylvania Street, south to Washington Street, and west to Senate Avenue, where the parade disbanded.

### PERSONS IN REVIEWING STAND.

Squads of motor cycle and mounted police kept the streets open. Promptly at 10 o'clock, a signal of three cannon shots started the column marching. Forty-five minutes later, automobiles containing William H. McDonald, of Columbus, Ohio, and John Little, of Pittsburgh, bearing Old Glory and the national Grand Army of the Republic colors drew up before the reviewing stand. Daniel M. Hall, commander in chief, was in an automobile following. The three took their places in the reviewing stand, where they were greeted by Governor and Mrs. Goodrich and Mayor and Mrs. Jewett.

Then past the stand came the marchers. Harry B. Smith, adjutant general of Indiana, grand marshal of the parade, and his aids, were first. As they passed the commander in chief and colors in the stand they came to a salute. George A. Hosley, of Boston, chief of staff of the Grand Army of the Republic, followed on horseback. An escort to the commander in chief composed of members of the Sons of Veterans, with Edward Amies, of Altoona, Pa., chief of staff, Regular Army soldiers, and aids of the commander in chief followed. The aids took places in the stand. Hundreds of Sons of Veterans were in line. As they passed the stand they saluted and cheered for the veterans. Many drum corps were in the parade.

### OHIO DETACHMENT CHEERED.

Cheer after cheer rose from the spectators as the Old Guard of Ohio, under arms, with one of the best drum corps of the parade, passed by the stand. Veterans of the Old Guard carried rifles with bayonets fixed. Their commander, William Miller, of Columbus, Ohio, presented saber and the veterans executed eyes right as they passed the reviewing stand.

As the first divisions of the parade arrived, a battery of moving-picture cameras opposite the reviewing stand clicked. The Eighty-first Field Artillery band, stationed at Camp Knox, Ky., and a drum corps of the National Association of Civil War Musicians, headed the first division of veterans.

First in the division came Illinois with hundreds of men in line. E. N. Armstrong, of Peoria, Ill., department commander, was at the head of his department. The U. S. Grant Post and the George H. Thomas Post, two of the oldest posts of Chicago, marched with their own bands.



## COLORED MEN IN LINE.

John Brown Post, of Chicago, composed of colored veterans, with Willis Hickman, commander, received a rousing cheer. Despite their march of nearly a mile over hot pavements, they still had strength to cheer their commander in chief. Old Glory Post, of Chicago, carried a banner on which were a number of 1920 campaign cartoons.

Following Illinois came Wisconsin, led by a fife and drum corps. Behind these units were Pennsylvania veterans. Their band, playing "Marching Through Georgia," evoked round after round of cheers that almost drowned the music. The old soldiers all along the line took up the tune and for blocks they could be heard singing the chorus.

Frankfort (Pa.) veterans carried a banner boasting that their town gave more men to the Union Army than any other town of its size in the Union.

## FORMER SLAVES IN LINE.

Two of the unusual characters in the parade came just behind the Pennsylvania veterans. They were both former slaves. Charles Wyatt, of New Orleans, the first, was wearing the uniform he wore in the war, and the other, Harry Johnson, of Danville, Ill., was wearing the Navy uniform he wore in the war. Each is 90 years old.

The drum corps of the Brooklyn Post, Daughters of Veterans, of Cleveland, Ohio, and the Indianapolis Newsboys' Band were at the head of the Ohio Department. David Stambaugh, a veteran of Mansfield, Ohio, dressed in colonial costume worn by his revolutionary ancestors, was in the line. Among the prominent men in the Ohio contingent was Dr. George T. Harding, father of Warren G. Harding. Republican candidate for President, marching at the side of Judge Louis B. Ewbank.

New York veterans called out the old "left, left," as they passed the stand. In succession came the departments of Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, California and Nevada, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont, and the Potomac, or the District of Columbia. In this column was the central division Jackies' Band, led by Drum Major Binckley.

## "RED NECKTIE" DIVISION.

"Maryland, My Maryland," was the tune to which veterans of that State marched. The battle flag of the Custer "Red Necktie" cavalry division, with a cannon cast in memory of Gen. Custer, were in the care of the "Red Necktie" veterans.

Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa, Colorado, Wyoming, and Kansas veterans, wearing big sunflowers, followed in line. A Kansas fife and drum corps played "When You and I Were Young, Maggie." Delaware came next, and then Minnesota veterans carrying a big flag, on which spectators tossed coins.

By this time it was evident that the strain of waiting on the hot asphalt streets and marching along the mile-long line of the parade was beginning to be felt. Boy Scouts appeared from somewhere with pails of cold water.

Departments of Missouri, Oregon, Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Washington and Alaska, Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana and Mississippi, Florida, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia, Alabama, North Dakota, Oklahoma, and Utah, and naval veterans quickly marched by.

## HOOSIER VETERANS PASS.

Then came the Hoosier veterans. It was estimated more than 1,000 were in line. At their head was Robert W. McBride, of Indianapolis, department commander. In the second line was W. A. Ketcham, of Indianapolis, candidate for the office of commander in chief.

At the rear came automobiles carrying veterans too feeble to march. They received their share of cheers.

Ten minutes after 1 o'clock the last man marched past the reviewing stand.

"It was a great parade," Commander Hall said, holding his right arm to give it a rest from responding to so many salutes. "I think we had as many in line as we had last year at Columbus."

## GIRLS DISTRIBUTE FLOWERS.

As the column swung into the southeast sector of Monument Circle they were greeted by a group of Indianapolis school girls, who scattered flowers in the path of the marchers. These girls, wearing white, ran back and forth among the veterans, handing a bouquet to some, placing flowers in the coat lapels, cartridge belts, or rifle barrels of others.

The tribute of these school girls seemed to please the veterans. From time to time when the parade halted temporarily some soldier would gather the girls about him and lead them in singing, "Marching Through Georgia," "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," and other patriotic songs.

Efforts of Boy Scouts at this place in the line of march were also greatly appreciated. The Boy Scouts went among the veterans with buckets of water and paper cups and handed drinking water to those that desired it.

A large American flag supported by two box kites several hundred feet above the ground drew cheers from the old soldiers as they swung around the circle.

[Indiana Daily Times, Sept. 22, 1920.]

More than 15,000 veterans of the Civil War marched again to-day behind the flag they fought to protect and kept step to the same tunes that stirred them in the days of 1861.

It was the big day of the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the veterans, most of them wearing their cherished blue, stepped briskly, despite their age, between crowds of thousands upon thousands of the younger generations who did them honor.

The parade was one of the longest and one of the most stirring of any that ever passed through the streets of Indianapolis, and required three hours to pass.

The long line formed at Pennsylvania and New York Streets and moved promptly at 10 o'clock, moving west in New York Street to Meridian Street, south to the Monument Circle, around the circle to East Market Street, east on Market Street to Pennsylvania Street, south in Pennsylvania Street to Washington Street, and west in Washington Street to Senate Avenue.

The parade was reviewed from a stand on the south side of the statehouse lawn by Daniel M. Hall, commander in chief of the G. A. R., and his staff.

The lines were handled by Adj. Gen. Harry B. Smith and a corps of aids, who headed the procession.

The space in front of the reviewing stand where Gov. James P. Goodrich and Mayor Jewett with Commander Hall viewed the parade was like a magic carpet to the veterans.

"Heads up, chest out," cried the leaders as they passed the reviewing stand.

The command was obeyed to a man.

Many a white-haired veteran straightened his aged shoulders and his step became sprightly as he marched before his beloved commander.

He dreamed of the days gone by and his dreams were rewarded.

Every veteran was a boy again as he received the salute from the aged commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

It was three hours of the greatest picture of a glorious past ever revealed in Indianapolis.

The commander in chief arrived at the reviewing stand at 10.45 o'clock.

The commander in chief raised his hat in answer to salutes.

The mighty spectacle was on.

George A. Hosley, of Boston, Mass., chief of staff, appeared mounted on a splendid horse and saluted.

Then swung into line the patriotic Altoona band.

With the weight of 80 years on his shoulders, Mark Cheeney, of Jamestown, Pa., straightened up and saluted his chief.

Marching proudly at the head of the New Jersey department of the G. A. R. was George Binckley, the strutting cock-o'-the-walk of the central division Navy recruiting band, of Chicago.

These lads received a tremendous ovation as they marched before the admiring eyes of the commander of the G. A. R.

Never had A. Moravec, bandmaster of the Navy band, and the mascot of the band, Master Maxwell, 5, appeared to better advantage.

Delaware, New York, and Ohio marched in perfect time while the Ohio veterans sang a rousing Buckeye war song.



East was west when the Oregon delegation appeared carrying a large cake of ice and just behind them was the drum corps, Camp No. 26, of the Illinois division of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Hearts beat faster as the grand old men of the Old Guard of Ohio appeared with a drum corps composed of old veterans.

The veterans carried old-fashioned rifles, those used in the Civil War, decorated with flowers.

The old instruments of war are now silent, but their hearts were just as patriotic to-day as they marched past their commander as the time years back when they answered the call of President Lincoln.

Maj. Leo Rassieur, of St. Louis, and former past commander in chief, appeared and took his place in the reviewing stand.

Miss Henrietta Kahn, of this city, had the honor of driving the car which carried Maj. Rassieur past the thousands of applauding people.

Then came Cooper Post of the G. A. R. and George Allison at the age of 77, singing, "I am young at seventy-seven," and to prove it he danced a little jig to the music.

Music heralded the approach of the National Association of the Civil War Musicians, and they were headed by a woman standard-bearer and the Rockford (Ill.) post of the G. A. R. appeared singing "Marching Through Georgia."

Tramp, tramp, tramp.

And still they marched with members of the George H. Thomas Post, No. 5, of Chicago, Ill.

An old white-haired veteran with an unsteady step proudly beat an old drum which bore the notice, "A Relic of 61-65."

The echo of the past in the patriotic thump-thump brought tears to the eyes of many in the reviewing stand.

Many other posts were represented in the Illinois contribution to the parade.

#### BOY SCOUTS' HEAD BADGER DELEGATION.

A detail of Boy Scouts, proudly headed the Wisconsin section, and a number of veterans with fife and drum thrilled the multitude with patriotic airs.

Dressed in a brilliant uniform Walker S. Clark, of Smith Center, Kans., marched in measured step.

The Pennsylvania veterans wore white trousers and white caps and blue coats, and this section was headed by a Navy drum major.

The Frankfort, Ind., delegation proudly exposed a banner which read: "Carried in the fiftieth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg."

Then came the marching veterans from Royal City, Pa., and then a section of colored veterans.

The Ohio veterans wore possum tails on their hats and in the California delegation was Robert M. Green, past junior vice commander of the Department of California and Nevada of the G. A. R., who has made 27 trips from the Pacific coast State to again be with the "boys."

#### SECOND SECTION, HEADED BY OHIOANS.

Section 2 was headed by Addison Post, No. 151, of Ohio, and these aged men, beaming with pleasure, doffed their hats as the grand stand broke out with thundering applause.

Then came the boys of Memorial Post, of Cleveland, Ohio, marching to a stirring tune as they sang "We Are the Boys from Ohio," and back of them were members of Forsyth Post, G. A. R., of Toledo, Ohio.

A game leg, made so in the war, did not prevent H. V. Keller, of Dayton, Ohio, aged 76, from marching the entire line of march on crutches.

When he appeared many men watched intently the heroic effort to march again before his chief.

Other Ohio posts followed, and then came David Stambough, 88, of Mansfield, Ohio, dressed in silk knickerbockers, black silk stockings, a high hat, and a long-tailed coat.

As he shook his white locks in lifting his hat to the applause while stepping very high, he said, "I am the youngest one in the parade."

Playing some of the old camp-fire melodies came a little man blowing a French harp.

In the Ohio delegation was a quiet little veteran marching along with Louis Ewbank, a member of the Indiana State Supreme Court.

## FATHER OF REPUBLICAN NOMINEE IN LINE.

The quiet little man with the jurist was Dr. George C. Harding, father of Warren G. Harding, the Republican candidate for the Presidency of the United States.

The appearance of the big New York delegation was announced by a military band and was followed by Alfred E. Stacey, department commander, and his staff.

These veterans made a striking appearance in their big square formation.

Thomas Hollingsworth, 77, of Brooklyn, N. Y., walked with a youthful step, and on answering the applause of the crowds in the grand stands he raised his hat and exposed a bald head.

In perfect marching order came the members of Pierce Post, of Rochester, N. Y.

George Fairhead, a handsome man of 86 years, and neatly dressed in a new uniform, was the champion thrower of kisses to the women along the line of march.

"He has thrown away 10,000 kisses," said one of his comrades.

"His kisses have all hit their mark," responded another veteran as a woman in the reviewing stand waved Mr. Fairhead a kiss.

[Star, Sept. 23, 1920.]

Advancing line after advancing line of wrinkled faces under campaign hats or forage caps, thousands on thousands of advancing feet that can not move so quickly now as they did more than half a century ago, scores of waving battle flags, side by side with the glory of the Stars and Stripes, old rifles bedecked with flowers, shouts of greeting to this or that comrade on the side lines, and snatches of ancient battle songs in wavering voices—that was the Grand Army of the Republic, again on the march. And where, in the sixties, these men had advanced to the thunder of the enemy guns, yesterday there was only the thunder of welcoming voices of the packed thousands—100,000 at least—who lined the streets and filled every window along the line of march, and the only battery they were called upon to face was the battery of the motion-picture machines placed at vantage points along the route to catch and preserve forever the picture of the veterans on their triumphant march.

An old-time soldier parade, the one of yesterday. During the World War we thought of a military parade as one composed of line after line of figures in olive drab, marvelous fieldpieces drawn by half a dozen horses, lumbering tanks, and airplanes circling overhead.

## SPECTATORS THRILLED BY SIGHT.

But the parade of the G. A. R. relied on no modern improvements to make itself impressive; it was strangely lacking in striking features—just these thousands of ancient warriors, some in uniform and some in civilian clothes—all of them marching on foot who could, and those who could not riding in flag-draped automobiles, and most of the music was coaxed from fifes to the accompaniment of rolling drums, by the veterans themselves. Yet it held the vast crowds of spectators in their places for more than two hours—brought them up cheering again and again, touched their hearts with a magic that tightened throats and brought unhidden and unbidden tears to their eyes.

"The old vets!"—and back of the words a world of veneration and honor for every man of the G. A. R., from the commander in chief, proudly erect in the reviewing stand while his command marched in review before him, to the most obscure traveler in the ranks.

No one who was near that reviewing stand will ever again be in doubt as to what the first name of the commander in chief is; he heads the list under the name of Daniel M. Hall, and he was an impressive figure, as, in full uniform and surrounded by his staff, he stood on the rose-decked reviewing stand. But did the old veterans pass stiffly by, "eyes right," hand at salute, in silence? The eyes were turned to the right, and veined hands touched hat brims or cap visors, but countless calls were heard—

"Hi there, Dan—" "What's the matter with Dan'l?" "Glad to see y', Dan," and the commander was busy nodding recognition.

William H. MacDonald, of Columbus, Ohio, and John Little, of Pittsburgh, national color bearers, took their places in the reviewing stand with Commander Hall. Others in the stand were Corpl. James Tanner, of Washington;



Judge Ell Torrance, of Minneapolis; Leo. Rassieur, of St. Louis; and Orlando A. Somers, of Kokomo, all past commanders in chief; Cola D. R. Stowits, of Buffalo, quartermaster general; Joseph W. O'Neal, adjutant general; and Henry Gibson, of Delphi, Ind.; Andrew Houghton, of Boston; T. D. Nelson, of Ishpeming, Mich.; Jerome Brown, of Bedford Hills, N. Y.; and Robert T. Sedam, of St. Lawrence, S. Dak., aides de camp on the staff of the commander

#### HALL AN IMPRESSIVE FIGURE.

The vanguard of the parade—a platoon of mounted police and Grand Marshal Harry B. Smith and staff—arrived abreast the reviewing stand about 10.30 o'clock. Shortly afterwards two gorgeous automobiles drew up at the curb, the car of Commander in Chief Hall, a vast bouquet on wheels, the entire body of the car hidden beneath masses of gladioli, lilies, and ferns, with waving flags. A brief halt ensued while the officers mounted to the stand with Mayor Jewett and other civil and military officials.

Then suddenly the parade was passing. Company after company of Civil War veterans, marching four abreast, with a sprinkling of the Sons of Veterans and an occasional glimpse of olive-drab uniform. Few of these, though, for this was the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, their parade and their day, and the uniforms were the faded blue, when uniforms were worn.

The Altoona city band passed, and a contingent of old veterans from Ohio, telling the world that they were from Ohio as they passed the stand. And yonder—who goes there? Who but Mark Chaney, of Jamestown, Pa., only 80 years old, and quite the most gorgeous thing in the parade so far—with the possible exception of the aforesaid automobile in which Commander Hall had arrived on the scene a short time before. Mr. Chaney was arrayed in a blue uniform, belted in at the waist, with large gold epaulettes and black varnished boots; from his hat waved not only a yellow plume but flowers as well, and he carried a flag. Part of the Pennsylvania delegation followed in Mr. Chaney's wake, but not all of them.

#### OLD GUARD DRAWS CHEERS.

The fife and drums corps of the Department of Michigan was farther along in the line, and following a delegation of the Illinois Sons of Veterans, very brave in white trousers and blue coats and white hats. Still farther on, even before an added burst of cheers indicated that something unusual was about to heave in sight, was one of the most picturesque features of the parade, the Old Guard of Ohio, personal escort to the commander in chief, two companies of them, with the Old Guard drum corps. They were in full uniform, from caps to shoes, and marched behind their blue flag. "Keep your lines straight!" called out one veteran as the lines approached the stand, with their rifles held at port.

More and more Ohio veterans—G. A. R. Post No. 117, from Marion, Ohio—all for Harding, apparently, and glad of it, especially as farther back in the line the father of the Republican candidate for President was marching. Following the Ohio men came the National Association of Civil War Musicians Band, playing Yankee Doodle as they got within range, the biggest fife and drum corps in the whole parade, having no less than five bass drums, a dozen or more snare drums, and the same number of fifes. A splendid and inspiring racket they made as they marched by.

#### IMPRESSIVE FIGURES GALORE.

Impossible to pick out from these onmarching thousands any figure more striking, more filled with the dignity of valor proved, than any other figure. The white hair and beards—occasionally an empty sleeve—the frequent canes and crutches that aided the old soldiers in their march—the tunic covered with medals—who could pick out from all these thousands any one more deserving of mention than any other? Yet here and there some figure stood out even from its impressive fellows.

The Thomas Post of Chicago, an unusually large contingent, came by, bearing its big blue flag white starred, all the members decked with roses and carrying flags; Grant Post, No. 28, of Chicago, with its own fife and drum corps, its guard carrying their venerable rifles; Old Glory Post and Meade Post, also of Illinois. Old Glory Post giving its battle yell as it passed. The Kansas delegation, wearing huge sunflowers, brought a lot of extra cheers, and among

them marched W. S. Clark, of Smith Center, Kans., a replica of Kit Carson, with his long and flowing hair. "Seventy-six years old last 4th of July," panted Mr. Clark. The Pennsylvania delegation passed, all in full regalia of blue uniform and caps, with an added touch of white waistcoats and white gloves.

Charles Wyatt, of New Orleans, and Harry Johnson, of Danville, Ill., both ex-slaves and more than 90 years old, marched in the rear of the Pennsylvania delegation. Wyatt, who served as a soldier, and Johnson, who was in the Navy, wore the uniforms in which they had seen service.

#### BAGLEY SEES IT THROUGH.

One lonely drum and one equally solitary fife furnished the marching rhythm for Post 117, of Pittsburgh, but they made up in volume of sound what they lacked in numbers. Another contingent of Ohio veterans passed—John Bagley, of Columbus, not only wore his uniform, but toted his blanket roll as well, and his rifle. The post from Frankton, Ohio, had in its midst a member who bore aloft a giant buckeye.

An occasional veteran burst into song as he passed the stand, picking out some such standard classic as "Marching Through Georgia" or "The Girl I Left Behind Me," and trying to gather up his comrades in a chorus as he warbled. Often the crowd took up the tunes, if they happened to know them. Also, on occasion, an especially agile and sprightly veteran, overcome by the occasion, would prove that he had a lot of life left in him yet, even if he was just finishing up a parade that had covered many weary blocks, and would indulge in a special and peculiar kind of dance as he passed the stand.

The New Yorkers sent a big delegation, headed by their staff officers, in impressive array. Paul Kemmer, a bugler with the New York Department, paraded off at the left-hand side of the column, and, though he is far past 70, he bugled most of the time he was on the march. The First United States Sharpshooters passed, the contingent from Connecticut, the delegation from Massachusetts, with George Merrill, a lone drummer, doing his best to keep things going, and succeeding nobly. The Massachusetts men were all in uniform, with the gold-corded black campaign hat. New Jersey, Wisconsin, and scattering veterans from Montana and Minnesota were in line. Heading the California and Nevada Departments was a fife and drum corps playing "Dixie."

#### ANCIENT STANDARD BEARER.

W. H. Gladding, 78 years old, accompanied by his small grandson, was the flag bearer for the Rhode Island Department, and carried the heavy banner without a tremor. The men from Vermont wore sprigs of green in their wide-brimmed hats; one fife and one drum headed the Department of the Potomac from Washington. A terrific detonation rent the air as the Maryland Division drew near—but it was no bomb explosion—only the little brass Custer cannon set off by its personal cannoneer, Joseph Trax. A fife, snare drum, and bass drum, all operated by veteran power, heralded the fact that Farragut Post, of Lincoln, Nebr., was among those present.

O. D. Mosher, chief of staff of the Michigan Department, rode a horse—one of the few veterans to show any equestrian prowess—his steed prancing at the head of his delegation, and followed by a goodly fife and drum corps—ten drums and half a dozen fifes.

"Corn and hay—corn and hay—we're the boys from Ioway!" announced the Iowa delegation as it arrived at the stand, aided and abetted by another fife and drum corps. Where are all these fifes and drums hidden, anyway, in the times between encampments? You can hear most any kind of instrument you want to hear, and a great many you don't want to hear, at any hour of the day or night, but it seems to take a G. A. R. encampment to bring the fifes and snare drums out of their winter quarters.

#### THE CHICKEN SCREAMS.

"The same old chicken!" hollered—yes, hollered is the word—G. W. Williams, of Montezuma, Iowa, holding aloft a rumpled and unhappy fowl, a veteran in its own right. Mr. Williams appears at every encampment, always provided with a chicken. He says this is the same chicken.



W. A. Gorman Post, No. 13, evidently not a superstitious crowd, of Duluth, Minn., carried an immense American flag, a score or so of veterans holding it by the edges. The St. Louis delegation boasted only one drummer, but one drummer, given his head and a pair of drumsticks, can provide marching music for a regiment. Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Arkansas, all had delegations; so did Washington and Alaska; and the Southern States, such as Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, and Tennessee, were well represented. Last of all the marching veterans came the Indiana delegations—hundreds and hundreds of them, almost every city and town in the State represented.

A group of Indianapolis school girls, dressed in white, strewed flowers in the path of the veterans as they rounded the southeast sector of Monument Circle. The girls made their way along the line placing flowers in the coat lapels and the cartridge belts of the veterans.

As the marching columns swung down Washington Street a shower of confetti, hastily torn sheets of paper, floated from the windows of office buildings, glistening in the sun like huge snow crystals, and clinging to the blue coats as they settled upon venerable shoulders.

The ranks of the Department of Indiana, headed by Robert W. McBride, of Indianapolis, department commander, contained more than 1,000 veterans, it was estimated. W. A. Ketcham, of this city, candidate for the office of commander in chief, marched in the second rank of the Indiana veterans. The Nebraska delegation, with its fifer and drummer, followed immediately after the Maryland Department. The Nebraska veterans were led by the Rev. Harmon Bross, of Lincoln, assistant adjutant general.

Last of all came the flag-draped automobiles that carried the veterans on whom the added weight of years lies too heavily to permit them to participate in even the shortest of marches—the old soldiers looking out at the crowd, seeking friendly faces and finding that every face was friendly.

So passed the veterans, and so passed the day of their glory, under skies of almost cloudless blue, with the breezes fluttering the myriad flags that waved from poles and cornices, and with the spirit that they fought for more than half a century ago awakened in the hearts of the spectators.

A great day for the old soldiers—their day. One that has surely proved to them that they have not been forgotten and that the Nation still accords them all honor and reverence.

[News, editorial page, Sept. 22, 1920.]

#### THE BOYS ARE MARCHING.

On May 24 and 25, 1865, a grand review of veterans of the Civil War was held in Washington. Sixty-five thousand men, in the prime of life, marched past their commanders and the highest Government officials. In that grand review there was a note of gladness and a note of sadness. There was rejoicing that the great civil conflict had come to an end, that the Union had been preserved, and that the Stars and Stripes remained the flag of the country. There was sadness that Abraham Lincoln had fallen by the hand of an assassin.

To-day, more than fifty-five years after, the survivors of the Rebellion marched in Indianapolis again. To-day there was the sound of the old-time tramp, tramp, tramp to the inspiring strains of martial music. There comes to mind that old song these veterans know so well:

In the battle front we stood,  
When their fiercest charge they made,  
And they swept us off, a hundred men or more;  
But before we reached their lines,  
They were beaten back dismayed,  
And we heard the cry of victory o'er and o'er.

Tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching! Once more there are present gladness and sadness. Gladness that they have been spared, that they could take part in their annual encampment; sadness that the lines are thinning and that some of them falter as they strive to keep step with the drum beat. Twenty-seven years ago there was a similar parade of Civil War veterans in Indianapolis, the closing spectacle of a national Grand Army encampment. In a few years more, people said, the survivors would be gone. Never again would Indianapolis see such a parade. Yet Indianapolis did see such a parade to-day. It saw men, under the weight of over quarter a century more, straighten their backs and step out to the stirring music of fife and drum. In spirit they were as young as when they marched in the grand review or the former national encampment in Indianapolis.

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## GENERAL ORDERS, SERIES OF 1919-20.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 1. }

TEMPORARY HEADQUARTERS,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio, September 12, 1919.*

I. Having been elected commander in chief by the Fifty-third National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established at 12 Borough Hall, Brooklyn, N. Y., where all official communications will be addressed to the adjutant general.

III. The following appointments are hereby announced:

*Adjutant general:* Isidore Isaacs, Brooklyn, N. Y.

*Quartermaster general:* Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

*Judge advocate general:* William A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.

*Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records:* J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.

IV. Further appointments will be announced in future general orders.

JAMES D. BELL,  
*Commander in Chief.*



GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 2. }

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Brooklyn, N. Y., October 25, 1919.*

I. At the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Columbus, Ohio, September 7 to 13, 1919, the following-named comrades were duly elected to the offices designated below:

Commander in chief: James D. Bell, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Senior vice commander in chief: Dan M. Hall, Columbus, Ohio.  
Junior vice commander in chief: Charles B. Wilson, Los Angeles, Calif.  
Surgeon general: Stephen I. Brown, Knox, Ind.  
Chaplain in chief: William W. Gist, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

National council of administration:

Alabama: Manoa Bostick, Birmingham.  
Arizona: E. S. Godfrey, Cookstown, N. J.  
Arkansas: Cos Altenberg, Little Rock.  
California and Nevada: W. H. Noll, Los Angeles.  
Colorado and Wyoming: O. S. Reed, Pueblo.  
Connecticut: Harry L. Beach, Hartford.  
Delaware: Henry W. Hancock, Wilmington.  
Florida: Silas Cooke, St. Cloud.  
Georgia and South Carolina: G. E. Whitman, Fitzgerald, Ga.  
Idaho: G. F. Kimery, Boise.  
Illinois: John B. Inman, Springfield.  
Indiana: David N. Foster, Fort Wayne.  
Iowa: J. W. Willett, Tama.  
Kansas: G. F. Pendarvis, Parsons.  
Kentucky: Americus Whedon, Washington, D. C.  
Louisiana and Mississippi: E. K. Russ, New Orleans, La.  
Maine: Edwin Riley, Livermore Falls.  
Massachusetts: W. A. Wetherbee, Newton.  
Maryland: John A. Thompson, Baltimore.  
Michigan: H. A. Chapin, Lansing.  
Minnesota: Philip G. Woodward, Anoka.  
Missouri: John M. Williams, California.  
Montana: George H. Taylor, Helena.  
Nebraska: John A. Ehrhardt, Stanton.  
New Hampshire: John R. Emerson, Dumbarton.  
New Jersey: William O. Allen, Newark.  
New Mexico: John Greenwald, Socorro.  
New York: George A. Price, Brooklyn.  
North Dakota: Pat. H. Cummings, Fargo.  
Ohio: John C. Roland, Cleveland.  
Oklahoma: F. A. Brown, Shawnee.  
Oregon: A. W. Gowan, Burns.  
Pennsylvania: J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda.  
Potomac: John Middleton, Washington, D. C.  
Rhode Island: John A. Medbery, East Providence.  
South Dakota: T. C. De Jean, Plankinton.  
Tennessee: Newton Hacker, Jonesboro.  
Texas: H. W. Nye, Fort Worth.  
Utah: H. W. Charter, Sandy.  
Vermont: James Cummings, Orwell.  
Virginia and North Carolina: H. W. Weiss, Emporia, Va.  
Washington and Alaska: F. H. Hurd, Seattle, Wash.  
West Virginia: E. A. Billingslea, Fairmont.  
Wisconsin: H. R. Bird, Madison.

II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief are hereby announced:

Adjutant general: Isidore Isaacs, New York, N. Y.  
 Quartermaster general: Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
 Judge advocate general: William A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Inspector general: James C. Taylor, Newark, N. J.  
 National patriotic instructor: Hosea W. Rood, Madison, Wis.  
 Assistant adjutant general: George A. Newman, Des Moines, Iowa.  
 Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records: J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Chief of staff: George A. Hosley, Boston, Mass.  
 Senior aid-de-camp: Thomas J. McConekey, Brooklyn, N. Y.

III. At a meeting of the national council of administration held at the Hotel Deshler, Columbus, Ohio, September 12, 1919, it was voted that the executive committee of the national council of administration should consist of the commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, adjutant general, quartermaster general, and seven members to be appointed by the commander in chief from the national council of administration. In accordance with this action the following-named comrades are hereby appointed members of the executive committee:

George A. Price, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.  
 Philip G. Woodward, Anoka, Minn.  
 J. W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.  
 J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda, Pa.  
 W. A. Wetherbee, Newton, Mass.  
 Americus Whedon, Louisville, Ky.

IV. Official headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established at 302 Temple Bar Annex, 186 Remson Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., where all official communications to the commander in chief and adjutant general should be addressed.

V. Comrade W. J. Patterson, Pittsburgh, Pa., was elected to succeed himself as trustee of the permanent fund, for a term of three years.

VI. Comrade Manoah Bostick, member of the national council of administration from the department of Alabama, having died at his home in Birmingham, Ala., September 26, the commander of the department of Alabama has appointed Comrade George F. Jackson, Birmingham, Ala., to fill the vacancy, and his appointment is hereby confirmed.

VII. All requisitions for supplies, etc., with remittances therefor, must be sent direct to the quartermaster general, Cola D. R. Stowits, 877 Ellicott Square, Buffalo, N. Y. Drafts, checks, and money orders should be made payable to him as quartermaster general. All remittances of less than \$5 must be sent in post-office money orders. At the end of each month the quartermaster general will render to these headquarters a report of his receipts and expenditures.

VIII. Assistant adjutants general are requested to forward promptly to these headquarters notice of the death of any permanent member of the national encampment, in their respective departments, with brief sketch of military and Grand Army service, that it may be published in general orders.

IX. Assistant adjutants general are requested to send all department general orders to these headquarters, and immediately on receipt of these orders will send to the adjutant general a copy of the department roster and journal of the last department encampment.

X. The commander in chief is desirous of visiting as many of the department encampments as possible, and in order that he may arrange for visitations as early as possible, department commanders are requested to notify these headquarters immediately as to the location of their next department encampment, and the date, if it has been fixed.

XI. Comrades are advised that requests for an opinion or an appeal from the decision of a department commander must be made to the commander in chief through department headquarters. The judge advocate general can render an opinion only to the commander in chief, and will be obliged to return all requests sent to him out of the regular channels.

XII. Department commanders are requested to forward to these headquarters as soon as possible the names of comrades whom they desire to recommend for



appointment as aid-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief. They are requested to give the full name of the comrades recommended, their post number, and post-office address, so that notice of appointment may be sent them promptly.

The official badge for aids-de-camp is as follows: Rank strap, silver eagle on black-enamel field, ribbon composed of the flag, with buff border.

Following the custom of previous administrations, every aid-de-camp will be required to pay \$1 for his badge and commission, which will cover the cost of badge, commission, and engrossing, and the necessary printing and postage. On receipt of acceptance of appointment and remittance, the names of comrades thus accepting will be published in general orders.

Comrades appointed aids-de-camp will be expected to be active and energetic in the interests of the order. It is hoped that they will give especial attention to recruiting and to aiding weak posts. They are requested to report to the chief of staff at the end of the year the result of their endeavors.

XIII. On the nomination of the inspector general, assistant inspectors general will be appointed by the commander in chief. They will report to the inspector general by letter and will be advised by him as to the duties of their office.

XIV. General Orders No. 1, which were issued at Columbus, Ohio, to department headquarters only, will not be issued to posts, as the information contained therein is incorporated in these orders.

XV. The following committees are hereby appointed:

Committee on legislation:

Orlando A. Somers, Kokomo, Ind., *chairman*.  
 Charles C. Royce, Washington, D. C.  
 Samuel Fallows, Chicago, Ill.  
 A. E. Sholes, Flushing, N. Y.  
 J. G. Chambers, Portland, Oreg.

Committee on rules and regulations and ritual:

Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn., *chairman*.  
 Charles G. Burton, Portland, Oreg.  
 R. A. Parker, Detroit, Mich.  
 John R. King, Baltimore, Md.  
 J. E. Gandy, Spokane, Wash.

Committee on Gettysburg peace monument:

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn., *chairman*.  
 John E. Gilman, Boston, Mass.  
 James Tanner, Washington, D. C.  
 Elias R. Monfort, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
 Oscar A. Janes, Detroit, Mich.  
 Levi G. McCauley, West Chester, Pa.  
 David Beem, Spencer, Ind.  
 George W. Martin, Brookfield, Me.  
 L. L. Cadwell, Decorah, Iowa.  
 John B. Banderob, Oshkosh, Wis.  
 George Breck, New York, N. Y.  
 Thomas H. Brown, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.  
 Thomas H. Hopkins, Washington, D. C.  
 William H. Harries, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, Calif.

XVI. In accordance with the action of the national encampment, the following committee is appointed to obtain a testimonial for Past Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams:

Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn., *chairman*.  
 George A. Price, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Albert M. Trimble, Lincoln, Nebr.

XVII. In his address to the Fifty-third National Encampment at Columbus, Ohio, Commander in Chief Adams recommended a federation of all societies composed of soldiers of all wars, and concerning this recommendation the encampment adopted the following report of the committee on the commander in chief's address:

As to the recommendation that proper resolutions be drawn and a committee be appointed looking toward the formation of a patriotic federation of all the soldier organizations of all wars, your committee favor the recommendation, provided that such federation will fully preserve the integrity of our organization and the qualifications for membership in the Grand Army of the Republic as the same now exist, and does not mean a consolidation of all patriotic societies into one body by which the Grand Army of the Republic would lose its distinction as an organization of soldiers, sailors, and marines of the War of the Rebellion, who saved the Union, or its highly honorable distinction as a patriotic society by its more than 50 years of service in time of peace in the upbuilding of patriotism and loyalty in the hearts of our people.

We realize that however desirable it may be to form such a federation, that every step should be carefully considered and the whole plan laid before this organization for its approval before the decisive step is taken, and as that is impossible at this encampment, owing to the limited time at its disposal for the consideration of the matter,

We recommend that a committee of five be appointed by the incoming commander in chief, of which Clarendon E. Adams shall be chairman, to consider this subject and report upon the same at the next National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In accordance with the above action the following comrades are appointed a committee to consider such federation:

Clarendon E. Adams, Omaha, Nebr., *chairman*.  
 Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn.  
 Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich.  
 W. S. Matthews, Columbus, Ohio.

The encampment provided for the appointment of a committee to consider the subject, but did not provide for any traveling expenses for said committee, and in view of that fact the commander in chief will decline to approve of any such expense.

XVIII. Further decisions of the Fifty-third National Encampment will be announced as soon as transcript of proceedings is received. The transcript was shipped us by express from Des Moines, but as the employees of the American Railway Express are on strike, we deem it best not to defer publication of general orders until receipt of the transcript.

XIX. The commander in chief desires to express at this time to the members of the Fifty-third National Encampment and to all of the membership of our order, his deep appreciation of his unanimous election to the office of commander in chief. He regards it as the highest honor that could be conferred upon him, and will always bear in remembrance everyone who directly or indirectly contributed to it.

By command of—

JAMES D. BELL,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

ISIDORE ISAACS,  
*Adjutant General.*



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## IN MEMORIAM.

Comrade MANOAH BOSTICK, member of the National Council of Administration from the Department of Alabama and past commander of the department, died at his home in Birmingham, Ala., September 26, 1919, aged 79 years. Comrade Bostick enlisted August 9, 1862, in Company B, One hundred and twenty-second Illinois Infantry, was commissioned captain of the company and served until the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1895.

Comrade AMOS HART EVANS, past commander of the Department of Iowa, died at his home in Keokuk, Iowa, July 25, 1919, aged 79 years. Comrade Evans enlisted as a private in Company D, Third New Jersey Militia Infantry, at the first call for troops and was mustered in April 24, 1861, to serve three months. He was discharged July 31, 1861, and on September 23, 1861, he reenlisted for three years in Company F, Ninth New Jersey Infantry. In November, 1864, he reenlisted again as a veteran volunteer in the same regiment. He was finally discharged July 12, 1865. In October, 1864, he was commissioned captain. Comrade Evans was elected department commander in 1897.

Comrade DANA C. SHERMAN, past commander of the Department of Oregon, died in his home in Salem, Oreg., September 24, 1919, aged 71 years. Comrade Sherman enlisted in 1862, at the age of 14 years, in the Forty-eighth Massachusetts Infantry, and served until the close of the war. He later served three years in the Eighth United States Cavalry as sergeant. He was elected department commander in 1896.

Comrade REUBEN T. LEAVITT, past commander of the Department of New Hampshire, died at his home in Pittsfield, N. H., September 12, 1919, aged 79 years. Comrade Leavitt enlisted in Company F, Twelfth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry, September 5, 1862, was severely wounded at Chancellorsville, and was discharged for disability November 21, 1863. He was elected department commander in 1916.

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GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 3.

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Brooklyn, N. Y., November 4, 1919.*

I. With great sorrow I announce the death of my predecessor, Comrade James D. Bell, on November 1, 1919, after an illness of a few days. The news came to me, as I know it will to all the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, as a great shock.

A few weeks ago when Comrade Bell was elected commander in chief he had many plans for the good of the organization, and we all looked forward to a year of great activity for the Grand Army of the Republic. His sudden muster out only serves to remind us of the uncertainty of life.

Comrades, let us close ranks and let the bonds of fraternity, charity, and loyalty unite us the more closely in our bereavement.

To the stricken widow and the daughters and the son the members of the Grand Army of the Republic extend their tender sympathy. May "He who doeth all things well" comfort them.

II. Having been installed commander in chief by Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers, I hereby assume command.

III. National headquarters will be transferred to Memorial Hall, Columbus, Ohio, as soon as the business affairs of the organization can be closed in Brooklyn, N. Y. Immediately on the opening of the headquarters in Columbus, Ohio, general orders will be issued.

By command of—

DANIEL M. HALL,  
*Commander in Chief.*

SPECIAL ORDERS, }  
No. 1, Series 1919-20.

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio, November 19, 1919.*

I. All officers and committees appointed in General Orders, No. 2, Series 1919-20, dated October 25, 1919, are hereby relieved from duty.

II. The following officers are hereby appointed:

Adjutant general: Joseph W. O'Neill, Columbus, Ohio.

Quartermaster General: Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

Assistant quartermaster general: J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.

Judge advocate general: William A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.

III. Further appointments and decisions of the Fifty-third National Encampment will be announced in General Orders, No. 4.

By command of—

DANIEL M. HALL,  
*Commander in Chief.*



GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 4, }  
SERIES OF 1919-20. }

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
Columbus, Ohio, December 10, 1919.

I. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief are hereby made:

Inspector general: James C. Taylor, Newark, N. J.  
National patriotic instructor: Hosea W. Rood, Madison, Wis.  
Assistant adjutant general: W. S. Matthews, Columbus, Ohio.  
Chief of staff: George A. Hosley, Boston, Mass.  
Senior aid-de-camp: Thomas J. McConkey, Brooklyn, N. Y.

They will be respected and obeyed accordingly.

II. The executive committee of the national council of administration will be constituted as follows:

Daniel M. Hall, commander in chief.  
Charles B. Wilson, senior vice commander in chief.  
Joseph W. O'Neill, adjutant general.  
Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.  
George A. Price, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
John C. Roland, Cleveland, Ohio.  
John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.  
Philip G. Woodward, Anoka, Minn.  
J. W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.  
J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda, Pa.  
Harry L. Beach, Hartford, Conn.

III. Comrade Lewis S. Pilcher, Brooklyn, N. Y., is appointed a trustee of the permanent fund, vice James D. Bell, deceased, and will serve until the next national encampment.

IV. The following committees are hereby appointed:

Committee on legislation:

Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich., *chairman*.  
Orlando A. Somers, Kokomo, Ind.  
Charles C. Royce, Washington, D. C.  
John McElroy, Washington, D. C.  
J. Payson Bradley, Boston, Mass.  
John L. Clem, Washington, D. C.

Committee on rules and regulations and ritual:

Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn., *chairman*.  
Charles G. Burton, Portland, Oreg.  
R. A. Parker, Detroit, Mich.  
John R. King, Baltimore, Md.  
J. E. Gandy, Spokane, Wash.

Committee on Gettysburg peace monument:

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn., *chairman*.  
John E. Gilman, Boston, Mass.  
James Tanner, Washington, D. C.  
Elias R. Monfort, Cincinnati, Ohio.  
Oscar A. Janes, Detroit, Mich.  
Levi G. McCauley, West Chester, Pa.  
David Beem, Spencer, Ind.  
George W. Martin, Brookfield, Me.  
L. L. Cadwell, Decorah, Iowa.  
John B. Banderob, Oshkosh, Wis.  
George Breck, New York, N. Y.  
Thomas H. Brown, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.  
Thomas S. Hopkins, Washington, D. C.  
William H. Harries, Minneapolis, Minn.  
E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, Calif.

Committee to obtain testimonial for Past Commander in Chief Adams:

Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn., *chairman*.  
George A. Price, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Albert M. Trimble, Lincoln, Nebr.

Committee to consider federation of all soldier organizations:

Clarendon E. Adams, Omaha, Nebr., *chairman*.

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn.

Alfred B. Beers, Bridgeport, Conn.

Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich.

W. S. Matthews, Columbus, Ohio.

V. The following resolutions were adopted by the Fifty-third National Encampment:

1. A resolution indorsing the Fuller pension bill.
2. A resolution that the Grand Army of the Republic should have charge of the dedication of the amphitheater in Arlington Cemetery.
3. A resolution that future administrations shall take steps to protect the name "Grand Army of the Republic."
4. A resolution that steps be taken to incorporate the Grand Army of the Republic in order to protect its privileges, and that a committee of three be appointed to prepare a suitable act of incorporation and present the same to the next national encampment.
5. A resolution of thanks to Commander in Chief Adams in appreciation of his services to the Grand Army of the Republic and to our country.
6. A resolution that the National Soldiers' Home at Hampton, Va., be returned by the War Department to the jurisdiction of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers and that its former inmates be returned there immediately.
7. A resolution of thanks to President Wilson for his executive order granting leave of absence with pay to veterans of the Civil War to attend the national encampment at Columbus.
8. A resolution asking the Government to furnish granite headstones instead of marble headstones, because granite will endure and marble crumbles away.
9. A resolution indorsing H. R. 6862 (Shreve), for the repair and maintenance of the naval brig *Niagara*, Commodore Perry's flagship in the Battle of Lake Erie, and authorizing posts to write letters or send petitions to Congress through their Senators and Representatives, urging the passage of the bill.
10. A resolution indorsing the war-savings stamp campaign of the United States Treasury.
11. A resolution that the Grand Army of the Republic shall officially live so long as one comrade remains on earth.
12. A resolution favoring the monthly payment of pensions.
13. A resolution recommending that Congress make an appropriation to be added to the balance already on hand for the erection of a memorial archway at the National Park at Vicksburg.
14. A resolution protesting against the covenant for a League of Nations as now proposed as a rider to the treaty of peace.
15. A resolution of thanks to the officials and citizens of the city of Columbus and the State of Ohio for their magnificent hospitality to the "strangers within their gates."
16. A resolution that a committee be appointed to make suitable preparations for celebrating the centenary of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant on April 27, 1922, with directions to report from time to time to the commander in chief and the national encampment.

VI. The committee on rules and regulations recommended that the amendment proposed by the department of Missouri, being such a radical change, should be considered by the next national encampment and should be printed in general orders fixing the date of the encampment. The proposition from Missouri is as follows:

That Chapter II, Article IV, section 4, of the rules and regulations be amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. Members of disbanded posts, who were in good standing at the time of such dissolution, upon written application to the assistant adjutant general of the department, shall receive from him transfer cards which shall have full force, or at the option of the applicant, his name shall be entered upon a roll to be kept by the assistant adjutant general, and known as a 'roll of comrades at large.' Comrades so enrolled shall pay dues semi-annually direct to the assistant adjutant general, of 50 cents each, payable



on the first days of January and July of each year. The department encampment shall have the right to increase the amount of such dues at any meeting by resolution duly adopted."

"If the dues of any comrade at large shall remain unpaid for more than 30 days after the same is due, he shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless his dues are paid within ten days from the date of such notice he will stand suspended from the Grand Army of the Republic until all arrearages are paid. Any comrade at large whose dues remain unpaid for more than one year after the same are due shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless all arrearages are paid within 30 days from the date of such notice he will be dropped from the roll and no longer be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that he can only be restored by making a written application to be approved by the department commander and the payment of one year's dues."

VII. In accordance with section 4, Article V, of these orders, the following committee is appointed to prepare and present to the next national encampment an act of incorporation:

Robert W. McBride, Indianapolis, Ind., *chairman*.

David F. Pugh, Columbus, Ohio.

John M. Williams, California, Mo.

VIII. The Fifty-fourth National Encampment will meet in Atlantic City, N. J., September 26 to October 2, 1919. National headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic will be located at the Hotel Chalfonte. The encampment committee of Atlantic City insist now, as they did in 1910, that but one national organization shall be located in any hotel, and that no department headquarters shall be located in the same hotel as the national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic. The committee claims that there are sufficient hotels to care for all the organizations and departments without crowding any of the hotels. This decision the commander in chief was reluctantly obliged to accept.

Information as to hotels, rates, etc., may be obtained from Mr. Charles P. Stine, publicity director, publicity bureau, Atlantic City, N. J.

IX. Department commanders and assistant adjutants general are reminded of the importance of forwarding their reports for the term ending December 31, 1919, with per capita tax, not later than February 1, 1920. (See Chap. V, Art. III, sec. 1, Rules and Regulations.) Checks or money orders for per capita tax (1½ cents per member) should be made payable to Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, but should be sent with Forms C and D to Joseph W. O'Neill, adjutant general, Memorial Building, Columbus, Ohio.

X. The commander in chief desires to express his thanks for, and appreciation of, all the letters which have come to him since his succession to the office of commander in chief promising him help and support. No one regrets more than he the circumstances which have led to his promotion, and he now calls upon his comrades to support him in everything for the good of the organization during the coming year.

XI. The commander in chief and adjutant general wish for all members of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the allied orders a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

By command of—

DANIEL M. HALL,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General.*

## IN MEMORIAM.

Comrade JAMES DAVID BELL, commander in chief, died in office November 1, 1919, aged 74 years. Comrade Bell was born in New York City, September 29, 1845, of Welsh parentage. He was a student in the institution now known as the College of the City of New York when the Civil War started, a member of the class of 1863. October 1, 1861, he enlisted for three years in Troop B, First New York Mounted Rifles. Most of his services was in campaigns in Virginia. He was wounded in action at Zuni Ridge, November 14, 1862. On February 1, 1864, he reenlisted as a veteran volunteer at Yorktown, Va. He was captured by the Confederates and for a short time was a prisoner of war at Salisbury, N. C. He was honorably discharged from the service as first sergeant of Troop E on June 26, 1865, after three years and nine months service.

Comrade Bell was a charter member of Abel Smith First Long Island Post, organized in 1883, and has served as commander for 13 years, holding that office at the time of his death. He had served as chief mustering officer, three times as judge advocate, as senior vice department commander, and in 1914 was elected department commander of the Department of New York. He was appointed a member of the trustees of the permanent fund of the national encampment to fill a vacancy caused by death, in January, 1918, and was elected for a term of three years at the national encampment in Portland, Oreg., on August 19. While judge advocate of the Department of New York he codified the laws of the State of New York relative to the rights of the veterans and revised the code every year to agree with changes in the laws. He had been a member of the Grand Army memorial and executive committee of Brooklyn for 31 years. Comrade Bell received what he said was the greatest honor of his life in his election as commander in chief by the Fifty-third National Encampment at Columbus, Ohio, September 12, 1919.

We can pay him no greater tribute than that paid in an editorial in the Brooklyn Daily Eagle the day of his death.

"Very few men ever made so strong an impression on the municipal life of Brooklyn as Col. James D. Bell, whose death is chronicled in the Eagle of today. Soldier, lawyer, history student, publicist, and politician, never shirking conflict and never seeking it, Col. Bell had a unique position in the community. His latest public service as United States attorney was short and unselfish. Washington wanted him and he accepted its offer.

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"James D. Bell was first of all a loyal man, loyal to his country, loyal to Brooklyn, loyal to his party, loyal to his friends. His name belongs to the history of the Nation, of the State, of the city. It will have a place there, undisputed and indisputable."

Commander LOUIS BENECKE, past commander of the Department of Missouri, died at his home in Brunswick, Mo., August 29, 1919, aged 76 years. He enlisted as a private September 11, 1861, and was discharged as captain of Company I, Forty-ninth Missouri Infantry, August 2, 1865. He was a charter member of Pinhart Post, No. 268, and for the past 10 years served as its commander. He was elected department commander in 1895.

Commander ALFRED ATKINS, past commander of the Department of New Jersey, died at his home in Roselle Park, N. J., October 21, 1919, aged 80 years. He enlisted in 1861 in the Fifth New York Infantry, known as "Duryea Zouaves," and later was captain in Company B, Ninety-eighth New York Infantry. He was discharged from service December 30, 1864. Comrade Atkins was elected department commander in 1906 and had served as a member of the national council of administration for some years.



Comrade ANSON B. CULVER, past commander of the Department of Alabama, died at his home in Birmingham, Ala., November 15, 1919, aged 87 years. Comrade Culver enlisted August 12, 1862, in Company B, Twenty-fourth Michigan Infantry, and served until the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1908.

Comrade MARTIN A. HAYNES, past commander of the Department of New Hampshire, died at his home in Lakeport, N. H., November 29, 1919. He served three years in the Second New Hampshire Infantry and was the historian of the regiment. He was elected department commander in 1881. Comrade Haynes represented his district in Congress from 1883 to 1887. He was connected with the Internal-Revenue Department in various localities and was selected to establish that branch of the Government service in the Philippines.

### INFORMATION WANTED.

The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn., has on its books policies issued on the lives of certain men from whom they have heard nothing for many years. It is possible, because of the age of these men, if living, that they were Civil War veterans. Following is the list:

Henry N. Carter, born May 19, 1832, insured at Westfield, Mass., in 1864.

Henry Griffin, born June 14, 1828, insured at Centralia, Ill., in 1864.

Adolphus Schmidt, born August 21, 1827, insured at Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1859.

George Turner, born September 20, 1829, insured at Utica, N. Y., in 1866.

John Wadsworth, born July 18, 1831, insured at New Sharon, Me., in 186—.

Richard Williams, born January 24, 1822, insured at Elmira, N. Y., in 1868.

Charles A. Wood, born August 10, 1824, insured at New York City in 1860.

Franklin Gibbs, born June 15, 1834, insured at West Springfield, Mass., in 1859.

Benjamin W. Loveland, supervisor of claims of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn., would like to hear from anyone who can give him any information as to the families of any of the above named.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 5.  
Series of 1919-20. }

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio, April 5, 1920.*

## MEMORIAL DAY.

(Rev. S. F. SMITH.)

Not costly domes nor marble towers,  
Shall mark where friendship comes to weep;  
Let clustering vines and fragrant flowers  
Tell where the Nation's heroes sleep.

They rest in many a shaded vale,  
By, and beneath the sounding sea;  
The forest winds their requiem wail—  
The glorious sons of Liberty!

Some, in the stalwart years of life;  
Some, in the pride of manhood's bloom,  
Unshrinking, joined the bitter strife,  
Unconquered, found a soldier's tomb.

They gained what their ambition craved,  
Freedom and love to all to bring;  
And peace, o'er all the land they saved,  
Broods, like the dove, with sheltering wing.

They merit all our hearts can give;  
Our praises and our love they claim;  
Long shall their precious names survive,  
Held sacred by immortal fame.

Blest be the land for which they fought—  
The land where Freedom's banners wave,  
The land by blood and treasure bought,  
Where dwell the free, where sleep the brave.

I. As May 30 this year falls on Sunday, in accordance with the rules and regulations, the preceding day shall be observed, except in States which have by legislative enactment made the succeeding day a holiday, and in such States Monday, May 31, shall be observed.

II. As provided by the forty-fifth national encampment, flags shall be placed at half-mast and bells tolled for five minutes from 12 o'clock noon at all public Grand Army exercises on Memorial Day, during which time every comrade shall remain standing uncovered.

III. The national encampment has directed that Lincoln's Gettysburg Address and Gen. Logan's Memorial Day Order shall be read as a part of the public services. The following is a copy of Past Commander in Chief Logan's Memorial Day Order:

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 11. }

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.*

I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and those bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes?



Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their deaths a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free and undivided Republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remains to us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with the choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us a sacred charge upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By command of—

JOHN A. LOGAN,  
*Commander in Chief.*

N. P. CHIPMAN,  
*Adjutant General.*

IV. The Sunday preceding Memorial Day has been observed as Memorial Sunday for many years. This year Sunday, May 23, will be observed as Memorial Sunday. Posts are urged to attend divine service on that day, accompanied by their auxiliary and allied orders.

V. Post commanders are asked to detail comrades to visit the schools the week preceding Memorial Day, at such time as may be arranged by the school authorities. The children look forward to these visits and appreciate hearing of the Civil War from the men who participated in it.

VI. Comrade Isidore Isaacs, New York City, has been elected by the national council of administration as junior vice commander in chief to succeed Comrade Charles B. Wilson, who became senior vice commander in chief at the death of Commander in Chief Bell.

VII. Department commanders, who have not done so, are asked to immediately send to Comrade James C. Taylor, inspector general, Newark, N. J., their nomination for assistant inspector general.

VIII. Assistant adjutants general are asked to send immediately the name and address of their department chaplain to Comrade W. W. Gist, chaplain in chief, Cedar Falls, Iowa; the name and address of their department medical director to Comrade Stephen I. Brown, surgeon general, Knox, Ind.; and the name and address of their department patriotic instructor to Comrade Hosea W. Rood, national patriotic instructor, State Capitol, Madison, Wis.

IX. Comrades who desire copies of the national encampment journals for the years 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, and 1918 may secure them by writing Mr. George H. Carter, clerk, Joint Committee on Printing, Washington, D. C., stating which journals they wish.

X. The Atlantic City encampment committee has prepared a list of hotels and rates for the national encampment. These lists will be shipped to each department headquarters so that a copy may be inclosed with general orders to each post. All communications with reference to the national encampment should be addressed to Mr. Charles P. Stine, secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic encampment committee, care Atlantic City Publicity Bureau, Atlantic City, N. J.

XI. We are gratified to announce the passage by the National House of Representatives of the Fuller pension bill, and we are hopeful that before these general orders reach the posts, the Senate may also have taken favorable action. Everything possible has been done by the commander in chief and adjutant general and committee on legislation to hasten and assure the passage of this bill.

XII. Saturday, May 15, the dedication of the Amphitheater at Arlington Cemetery will take place under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic, Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall, presiding. Comrades are invited to attend these services. The program has not yet been completed and comrades are advised to watch their local papers for this information.

XIII. There has recently been incorporated in the State of Vermont The Green Mountain Home, "for the purpose of founding and maintaining at Bennington, Vt., a home for the care, maintenance, education, and scientific instruction in agriculture and horticulture of the minor sons of soldiers and sailors

who have served in the Army or Navy of the United States of America or in the Army or Navy of any of its European Allies, and thereafter for the like care, maintenance, education, and scientific instruction of the lineal male descendants of such sons." It is expected that the school will be ready for occupancy this year, and the secretary, Mr. Edward L. Bates, Bennington, Vt., writes us that the founder of the school, Mr. Edward H. Everett, formerly of Newark, Ohio, but now of Bennington, Vt., desires that the Grand Army of the Republic, through its officers shall designate the young men who shall first avail themselves of the benefits to be derived from this school. No boy shall be admitted to the school until he shall have attained the age of 13 years. Comrades who have sons or grandsons desiring to take advantage of the education to be obtained at The Green Mountain Home, should communicate with their department commander, who will make recommendations to Mr. Edward L. Bates, secretary, Bennington, Vt.

XIV. The following comrades, having complied with the necessary requirements, are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			INDIANA.		
Aubrey, James M.....	55	Los Angeles.	Goodwin, Augustus B.	1	Terre Haute.
Baldwin, Albert J.....	61	Chino.	IOWA.		
Barnum, Henry P.....	33	San Diego.	Blades, William.....	78	Dubuque.
Barrett, T. M.....	170	Glendale.	Cowles, D. B.....	18	Chariton.
Buell, C. E.....	6	Los Angeles.	Fowler, James A.....	79	Keosauqua..
Burlingame, G. M.....	93	Pasadena.	Gast, Herman.....	153	Grandview.
Butler, Robert H.....	172	San Diego.	Gibbs, E. C.....	271	Villisca.
Clark, C. Henry.....	170	Tujunga.	Lott, C. S.....	309	Lacena.
Collier, J. H.....	153	National Soldiers' Home.	Perrine, Henry.....	29	Council Bluffs.
Crowell, Silas.....	93	Pasadena.	Reeve, O. G.....	81	Hampton.
Durfee, E. C.....	52	Santa Barbara.	Roberts, William.....	45	Adel.
Estes, Wm. E.....	1	San Francisco.	Shepherd, T. A.....	22	Sioux City.
Fieks, George W.....		Sacramento.	Weston, C. B.....	200	Greene.
Fink, Norris A.....	118	Riverside.	MAINE.		
Griswold, George B...	55	Los Angeles.	Foster, James E.....	105	Bar Harbor..
Grumley, Edward I...	55	Do.	Noyes, Joseph A.....	148	South Paris.
Hasson, D. W.....	131	Buena Park.	MARYLAND.		
Hogue, J. D.....	188	Sawtelle.	Alford, A. G.....	6	Baltimore.
Huddart, W. A.....	88	Berkeley.	Comp, Adam A.....	5	Cumberland.
Kelsey, Sidney W....	6	Los Angeles.	Dean, George A.....	2	Frederick.
Knowlton, O. V.....	131	Fullerton.	Leasure, Emery.....	3	Baltimore.
Kreider, Frank L.....	55	Los Angeles.	McAllister, Robert A.	76	Do.
Milner, James R.....	181	Long Beach.	Thomas, Joshua .....	4	Hagerstown..
Paul, A. B.....	17	Santa Ana.	Vickers, Jacob H.....	1	Baltimore.
Prothero, Thomas....	8	Oakland.	MASSACHUSETTS.		
Savereool, W. W.....	8	San Leandro.	Abbott, John L.....	45	Magnolia.
Woodruff, Henry H...	50	Oakland.	Almeder, Chas. H....	11	Boston.
CONNECTICUT.			Atwood, J. Murray...	35	Plymouth.
Alden, J. Everett.....	34	Torrington.	Bailey, Henry J.....	22	Milford.
Beehtold, John H....	61	New Canaan.	Bailey, Melzar C.....	83	Hanover.
Bellmay, W. F.....	68	Thomaston.	Baleh, Hiram T.....	49	Newburyport.
Hotchkiss, James D..	43	Naugatuck.	Benjamin, Wm. H....	81	Watertown.
McKee, James.....	1	Norwich.	Bixby, Luther W....	26	Roxbury.
Newell, Kilburn E...	71	Ellington.	Bright, Albert W....	143	Brookline.
GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.			Brookings, Samuel...	49	Newburyport..
Brist, Fillmore M....	14	Beaufort, S. C.	Bulfinch, George W...	5	Lynn.
Cox, Charles H.....	1	Atlanta, Ga.	Bunton, Henry S.....	121	Hyde Park.
Ryan, P.....	14	Savannah, Ga.	Byrne, John J.....	5	Lynn.
IDAHO.			Corey, George W.....	168	Southbridge.
Anderson, Peter.....	4	Boise.	Crocker, E. C.....	117	Medfield.
ILLINOIS.			Dailey, George E.....	14	Hopkinton.
Eighme, George.....	91	Chicago.	Dearborn, S. B.....	12	Wakefield.
Howison, George.....	91	Do.	Dusseault, John H....	139	Somerville.
Lamb, J. Walter.....	91	Do.	Edgell, John D.....	116	Gardner.
Lewis, E. R.....	540	Do.	Flood, John.....	62	Newton.
Patton, Hugh N.....	45	Columbus, Ohio.	Foreman, William....	169	Norwood.
Wright, Wm. P.....	91	Chicago.	Frampton, Rob't L...	121	Hyde Park.
			Frothingham, Ed. G..	47	Haverhill.
			Giles, J. Frank.....	132	South Sandwich.
			Gilman, Albert I.....	185	Lowell.



Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
MASSACHUSETTS— continued.			OHIO—continued.		
Gray, Joshua S.....	74	Rockland.	Coale, Garrison.....	29	Youngstown.
Harper, John H.....	74	Do.	Conger, J. W.....	187	Cleveland.
Hart, William.....	10	Worcester.	Durfee, Charles H....	451	Linden Heights.
Heald, Alvah.....	53	Leominster.	Ferrell, J. K. P.....	422	Uhrichsville.
Heath, Lucius E.....	22	Milford.	Field, Joel E.....	219	Wellington.
Hersey, Jason B.....	74	Rockland.	Fields, William.....	117	Caledonia.
Holman, Alvin.....	53	Leominster.	Fletcher, C. B.....	299	Covington.
Houghton, Chas. S....	53	Do.	Foark, Joseph.....	321	Hilliards.
Kellogg, Harvey A....	156	Everett.	Gough, David.....	303	Leesburg.
King, David.....	15	Boston.	Greenwood, Walter....	29	Youngstown.
Larrabee, Emery E....	5	Lynn.	Houghton, Frank H..	1	Daytona, Fla.
Libbey, Eugene M....	5	Do.	Jay, Sidney W.....	15	Toledo.
Mann, Ezekiel F.....	156	Everett.	King, Jabez W.....	15	Do.
Moore, Joseph A.....	45	Gloucester.	McClay, John.....	592	Linden Heights.
Mottau, Edward.....	13	Brockton.	McDonald, Wm. W....	451	Columbus.
Nickerson, Albert A..	35	Chelsea.	Otte, A. E.....	401	Cincinnati.
Pearson, J. Hiram S...	23	Boston.	Payne, Thomas.....	1	Columbus.
Pierson, Edward O....	87	Braintree.	Playford, George H...	81	Zanesville.
Pike, Eben W.....	30	Cambridge.	Reimer, Joseph D....	265	Wadsworth.
Pratt, George W.....	72	Stoughton.	Riley, John W.....	369	Troy.
Prentice, Theodore P.	56	Belmont.	Sadler, John.....	1	Columbus.
Rollins, Elisha E.....	121	Hyde Park.	Smith, Gustavus.....	446	Dayton.
Rouillard, George....	56	Revere.	Sprague, William E...	29	Youngstown.
Sanborn, Alfred G....	143	Brookline.	Stewart, F. R.....	27	Fostoria.
Saunders, Henry M....	19	Fitchburg.	Stone, A. C.....	58	Wilmington.
Sawyer, John W.....	5	Revere.	Tucker, Theodore B..	15	Toledo.
Tappan, Alonzo L....	146	Haverhill.	Van Wormer, Willard.	15	Do.
Tarbell, George G....	195	East Pepperell.	Wintermute, W. A....	396	Mount Liberty.
Underwood, Nath'n C.	141	Harwich.			
Weston, Richmond L..	94	Canton.	OKLAHOMA.		
Willey, J. Otis.....	5	East Lynn.	O'Donald, Wayne....	1	Oklahoma City.
Wright, Henry E.....	11	Somerville.			
MICHIGAN.			PENNSYLVANIA.		
O'Dwyer, Cornelius...	17	Detroit.	Baish, George W.....	415	Mechanicsburg.
MINNESOTA.			Barger, Louis F.....	1	Atlantic City, N. J.
Coburn, George W....	22	Minneapolis.	Bishop, Jacob W.....	63	Philadelphia.
Gale, George W.....	119	Do.	Blank, George W.....	23	Pottsville.
Robinson, C. H.....	119	Do.	Bleichert, Anthony...	42	Lebanon.
Tenney, W. P.....	85	Redwood Falls.	Bower, A. J.....	180	Uniontown.
MISSOURI.			Burkett, George W...	89	Apollo.
Barnes, A. J. P.....	14	Joplin.	Burns, Andrew N....	88	Pittsburgh.
Suppan, Benjamin A..	1	St. Louis.	Charles, Henry F.....	407	Port Treverton.
NEBRASKA.			Deacon, Howard R....	2	Philadelphia.
Buck, C. H.....	89	De Witt.	Deininger, Chas. P...	114	Do.
Cress, Jacob W.....	2	South Omaha.	Ellis, Charles O.....	187	Carbondale.
Cutler, R. E.....	32	York.	Fisher, Daniel.....	167	Oil City.
Gage, I. P.....	4	Fremont.	Hoffman, Andrew....	151	Pittsburgh.
Galley, James H.....	9	Columbus.	Holtz, Joseph B.....	10	Philadelphia.
Havens, Ansel D.....	39	Atkinson.	Leeper, John H.....	37	York.
Hill, M. V.....	20	Rising City.	Lilley, Oliver W.....	94	Philadelphia.
Larimer, J. A.....	1	Kearney.	Little, John.....	157	Pittsburgh.
Ort, Jacob.....	90	Wahoo.	McCormick, J. Q. A...	162	Do.
Paul, James N.....	8	St. Paul.	McCurdy, James C....	77	Ardmore.
Ryan, George F.....	11	Grand Island.	McNamee, Frank.....	400	Philadelphia.
Sanders, S. F.....	111	Holdrege.	Miller, Jacob.....	12	Do.
Thomas, Griff J.....	60	Harvard.	Ohmit, S. K.....	64	Williamsport.
Tullis, H. C.....	25	Lincoln.	Rhenard, Charles H...	97	Wilkes-Barre.
Wilcox, Justin A....	207	McCook.	Sailer, John V.....	63	Philadelphia.
Wilson, T. J.....	227	Chadron.	Schuck, Louis.....	236	Pittsburgh.
NEW HAMPSHIRE.			Stephens, Thomas P..	28	Indiana.
Sanborn, Elijah.....	51	Raymond.	Strickler, Wm. J.....	118	Columbia.
NEW YORK.			Tait, A. J.....	105	Butler.
Molitor, Augustus....	286	Brooklyn.	Wireman, Henry.....	22	Danville.
McNeight, Joseph....	403	Fredonia.			
OHIO.			POTOMAC.		
Applegate, Andw. B...	544	Milford.	Myers, Abram.....	3	Washington, D. C.
Austin, Walter R.....	187	Cleveland.	RHODE ISLAND.		
Butt, George W.....	299	Covington.	Congdon, Giles S.....	15	Bristol.
			Hathaway, Edwin C...	25	Providence.
			Kent, George E.....	20	East Providence.
			Nevins, John R.....	1	Providence.
			Read, Charles F.....	17	Pawtucket.
			WASHINGTON AND ALASKA.		
			Street, Samuel F.....	1	Edmonds.

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
WISCONSIN.			WISCONSIN—con.		
Beitler, Lewis.....	134	Bloomington.	Hoare, James A.....	125	Mineral Point.
Bird, F. A.....	11	Madison.	Hood, N. B.....	24	Spring Green.
Breck, Lloyd.....	131	Merrill.	Lohr, Charles F.....	165	Hartford.
Brink, C. L.....	165	Hartford.	Myers, Harvey F.....	141	Hillsboro.
Chatterton, W. W....	121	Belleville.	Parker, B. F.....	149	Plover.
Donlevy, James A....	74	Oconto.	Sproesser, W. D.....	94	Watertown.
Fox, George B.....	197	Plainfield.	Truax, H. F.....	230	Kenosha.
Fuller, Wm. P.....	63	Westfield.	Van Mater, Andw. P.	45	Darlington.
Grow, Allen D.....	186	Pardeeville.	Whittier, Reuben....	247	South Kaukauna.
Hallas, G. F.....	52	Eau Claire.	Wood, U. D.....	184	Black Earth.
Herbert, Henry.....	68	Chippewa Falls.	Sanford, J. B.....	142	Clear Lake.
Hill, I. B.....	170	Superior.	Schmidt, Carl G.....	18	Manitowoc.

XV. Appointment of assistant inspectors general and additional aids de camp will be announced in future general orders.

By command of—

DANIEL M. HALL,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:  
JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General.*



## IN MEMORIAM.

Comrade John C. Schotts, past commander of the Department of New York, died at his home in Yonkers, N. Y., August 26, 1919, aged 75 years. He enlisted April 16, 1861, in Company A, Seventeenth New York Infantry, and was discharged at New York City June 2, 1863. Comrade Schotts was elected department commander in 1894.

Comrade W. B. Todd, past commander of the Department of Georgia and South Carolina, died at the home of his sister in Greenwood, Ind., October 14, 1919, aged 75 years. He enlisted December 20, 1863, in Company L, Ninth Indiana Cavalry, as a private, and was discharged as sergeant August 28, 1865. Comrade Todd was elected department commander in 1914.

Comrade Samuel W. K. Allen, past commander of the Department of Rhode Island, died at his home in East Greenwich, R. I., December 4, 1919, aged 79 years. He enlisted as a private in the Eleventh United States Infantry November 4, 1861, and was discharged as sergeant January 19, 1863. Comrade Allen was elected department commander in 1898.

Comrade Ezra K. Parker, past commander of the Department of Rhode Island, died at his home in Providence, R. I., December 19, 1919, aged 89 years. He enlisted September 4, 1861, as private in Battery D, First Rhode Island Light Artillery, was commissioned second lieutenant and then first lieutenant, and as such commanded his battery at the Battle of Antietam. He served as assistant adjutant general of the Artillery Brigade of the First Army Corps, and was discharged June 14, 1865, as captain. Comrade Parker was elected department commander in 1905.

Comrade Theodore W. B. Brake, commander of the Department of Florida, died at his home in St. Augustine, Fla., January 3, 1920, aged 71 years. He enlisted as musician in the Eighteenth United States Infantry August 21, 1861, and was assigned to Company F, First Battalion. He reenlisted in January, 1864, in the Second Battalion, Eighteenth United States Infantry, and was discharged at Lookout Mountain March 16, 1865. Comrade Brake joined the Grand Army of the Republic soon after its organization, and in 1886 was elected chaplain of the Department of Ohio. He was elected commander of the Department of Florida in April, 1919, and up to the time of his death had served as superintendent of the National Cemetery at St. Augustine, Fla.

Comrade Daniel Hall, past commander of the Department of New Hampshire, died at his home in Dover, N. H., January 8, 1920, at an advanced age. The only record of his service furnished us is that he served as a captain and aide de camp in the Regular Army during the war. He was elected department commander in 1892.

Comrade Alexander P. Asbury, past commander of the Department of Indiana, died at the home of his daughter in Eagle, Idaho, January 25, 1920, aged 73 years. He was a recruit in Company H, Eighty-fifth Indiana Infantry, and served in that regiment until its discharge, when he was transferred to the Thirty-third Indiana Infantry, from which he was discharged July 1, 1865. Comrade Asbury was elected department commander in 1910.

Comrade Milton Garrigus, past commander of the Department of Indiana, died at his home in Kokomo, Ind., January 26, 1920, aged 88 years. He enlisted as private in Company D, Thirty-ninth Indiana Volunteers (Eighth Indiana Cavalry), serving three years. He then served 100 days as adjutant of the One hundred and thirty-seventh Indiana Infantry, and was commissioned captain of Company I, One hundred and forty-second Indiana Infantry, in November, 1864, and was discharged in July, 1865. Comrade Garrigus was elected department commander in 1902.

Comrade Charles Van Campen, past commander of the Department of Minnesota, died in Los Angeles, Calif., in January, 1920, aged 76 years. He enlisted in August, 1862, in Company I, Eighty-ninth Illinois Infantry, and served until the close of the war. Comrade Van Campen was elected department commander in 1916.

Comrade Christopher C. Duffy, past commander of the Department of Illinois, died at his home in Ottawa, Ill., February 29, 1920, aged 76 years. He enlisted as private in Company K, One hundred and fifth Illinois Infantry, August 12, 1862, and was discharged June 7, 1865. Comrade Duffy was elected department commander in 1911.

Comrade David L. Stanton, past commander of the Department of Maryland, died at his home in Baltimore, Md., December 26, 1919. He enlisted as private in Company A, First Maryland Infantry, in May, 1861; was promoted to first sergeant, second lieutenant, first lieutenant, captain, major, lieutenant colonel, and colonel, and was brevetted brigadier general of Volunteers to date from April 1, 1865, and was discharged July 2, 1865. Comrade Stanton was elected department commander in 1898.

Comrade Amos Huffman, past commander of the Department of Ohio, died at Long Beach, Calif., February 1, 1920, aged 79 years. He enlisted as private in Company C, Second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, July 27, 1861, and in the Battle of Stone River, December 31, 1862, was so severely wounded as to require the amputation of his left leg. He was discharged April 1, 1863. Comrade Huffman was elected department commander in 1905.

Comrade William A. Pittenger, past commander of the Department of Ohio, died at his home in Dennison, Ohio, March 5, 1920, aged 77 years. He enlisted as a private in Company C, Ninety-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, August 6, 1862, and served until near the close of the war, when he was discharged for disability. Comrade Pittenger was a charter member of the first post organized in Ohio, its charter bearing the date of September 7, 1866, and he was elected department commander in 1917.

Comrade Robert S. Smith, past commander of the Department of Georgia and South Carolina, died at his home in Tallapoosa, Ga., March 18, 1920, aged 82 years. He enlisted as private in Company C, One hundred and thirteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, August 16, 1862; was later transferred to the First United States Engineers, and was discharged in 1865. Comrade Smith was elected department commander in 1916.

### INFORMATION WANTED.

S. T. Wiesmore, 3339 Thirty-ninth Avenue south, Minneapolis, Minn., desires information as to the regiment and company in which Charles J. Biggs served. He is supposed to have entered the service from California.

Miss Minnie King, 3412 North Hamlin Avenue, Chicago, Ill., desires information about John King, formerly of Lowville, N. Y. He enlisted in 1863 and at the close of the war reenlisted in the Regular Army, from which he was discharged about 1884.

Comrade D. A. Newell, Saginaw, Mich., would like to hear from any of his comrades in Company K, Eighty-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and Company A, Twelfth Ohio Volunteer Cavalry.

Comrade Crowell Mikesell, formerly of Company I, One hundred and twenty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, now living at 1 Humboldt Avenue, Fort Scott, Kans., would like to hear from any of those who served with him. He would also like to procure a copy of the history of his regiment.



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No. 6, }  
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HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio, August 14, 1920.*

I. The Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, at its meeting in Columbus, Ohio, in September, 1919, accepted the invitation of the State of New Jersey, the city of Atlantic City, and the Department of New Jersey, Grand Army of the Republic, to hold the Fifty-fourth National Encampment in Atlantic City. The invitation guaranteed the usual concessions. Pursuant to the custom the commander in chief and the executive committee of the national council of administration entered into a contract containing the usual provisions with the Atlantic City committee. Later the \$25,000 appropriated by the Legislature of New Jersey for the entertainment of the national encampment was diverted through the action of the special committee appointed by the governor of New Jersey, and held not to be available for the Atlantic City committee for the entertainment of the fifty-fourth national encampment. The Atlantic City committee notified national headquarters that without the State appropriation they could not carry out the terms of the contract, whereupon the executive committee of the council of administration was convened at national headquarters, Columbus, Ohio, and with the consent of the Atlantic City committee the contract which had been made and entered into was canceled. At this meeting, Indianapolis, Ind., patriotically came forth with an invitation and offered to do all that any other city had done for the Grand Army of the Republic, and thereupon the invitation was unanimously accepted. June 29, 1920, a contract containing the usual provisions and providing for the ample care of the Grand Army of the Republic was made and entered into, and the fifty-fourth national encampment will meet at Indianapolis, Ind., September 19 to 25, 1920.

II. National headquarters will be temporarily established in the English room, mezzanine floor, Claypool Hotel, Thursday, September 16.

III. Detailed program of meetings and entertainment may be secured from the local committee on arrival in Indianapolis.

IV. Special patriotic services will be held in all the churches in Indianapolis Sunday, September 19, to which all comrades and members of the auxiliary and allied orders are cordially invited.

V. The executive committee of the national council of administration will meet at national headquarters, Claypool Hotel, Monday, September 20, at 10 a. m.

VI. The national council of administration will meet at national headquarters, Claypool Hotel, Tuesday, September 21, at 2 p. m.

VII. The semiofficial meeting and reception will be held Monday evening, September 20, at 7.30 o'clock, in Tomlinson Hall.

VIII. Tuesday evening, September 21, at 7.30 o'clock, a camp fire will be held in Tomlinson Hall.

IX. The parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held Wednesday morning, September 22, at 10 o'clock. The formation and route of the parade will be announced in later general orders.

X. Comrade John Little, Post No. 157, Pittsburgh, Pa., is hereby detailed as headquarters color bearer and Comrade William W. McDonald, Post No. 451, Columbus, Ohio, is hereby detailed as national color bearer for the parade.

XI. Department commanders are requested to notify the adjutant general immediately on receipt of these orders of the probable time of arrival of their respective departments in Indianapolis, and the location of their department headquarters.

XII. Department commanders or their representatives will report to the chief of staff at national headquarters, Claypool Hotel, Tuesday, September 21, at 5 p. m., for instructions regarding the parade.

XIII. The following comrades are appointed on the committee on credentials:

Joseph W. O'Neill, adjutant general, *chairman*.

W. S. Matthews, assistant adjutant general.

Henry Spaulding, Department of Michigan.

Albert J. Ball, Department of Indiana.

Samuel P. Town, Department of Pennsylvania.

W. A. Wetherbee, Department of Massachusetts.

George W. Clark, Department of Arkansas.

This committee will meet at national headquarters, Claypool Hotel, Monday, September 20, at 2 p. m., and Tuesday, September 21, at 10 a. m. Assistant adjutants general may secure from the adjutant general Monday morning, September 20, copies of the Roll of the Fifty-fourth National Encampment.

XIV. Comrades George A. Price, Philip G. Woodward, and J. W. Willett, of the national council of administration, are hereby appointed a committee to audit the books of the quartermaster general. They will report to the national council of administration at its meeting Tuesday, September 21, at 2 p. m.

XV. The first business session of the national encampment will convene in Tomlinson Hall, Thursday, September 23, at 10 a. m.

XVI. Department commanders will report to the adjutant general not later than 7 p. m. Wednesday, September 22, the names of their representatives on the committee on resolutions and their nominees for the national council of administration.

XVII. Comrades desiring rooms in hotels should write Theodore A. Randall, chairman of hotel committee, 211 Hudson Street, Indianapolis, Ind. Comrades desiring rooms in private houses may secure them by writing Scott Brewer, care Washington Bank & Trust Co., Indianapolis, Ind.

XVIII. Comrades desiring to arrange for regimental reunions may make arrangements as to time and place of meeting by writing Rev. E. S. Shumaker, chairman of committee on reunions, 706 State Life Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

XIX. Comrade Hosea W. Rood, national patriotic instructor, has arranged for a meeting on Tuesday morning, September 21, at 10 o'clock, in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, corner of Illinois and New York Streets, to which department and post patriotic instructors of the Grand Army of the Republic are invited. The patriotic instructors of the Army Nurses of the Civil War, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Daughters of Veterans, the Sons of Veterans, and the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary are also invited to attend this meeting.

XX. A meeting of the Retired Volunteer Officers' Association has been called at the Board of Trade Building on the seventh floor, corner Meridian and Ohio Streets, Tuesday, September 21, at 9.30 a. m., by Comrade Leo Rassieur, secretary and chairman of the legislative committee of the association.

XXI. The national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and its auxiliary and allied societies will be located during the encampment, as follows:

Grand Army of the Republic, Claypool Hotel.  
 Army Nurses of the Civil War, Claypool Hotel.  
 Woman's Relief Corps, Claypool Hotel.  
 Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Denison Hotel.  
 Daughters of Veterans, Severin Hotel.  
 Sons of Veterans, Severin Hotel.  
 Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, Severin Hotel.

XXII. The following committee on rules and regulations and ritual is announced:

Charles G. Burton, Portland, Oreg., *chairman*.  
 Oscar A. Janes, Detroit, Mich.  
 John R. King, Baltimore, Md.  
 J. E. Gandy, Spokane, Wash.  
 W. A. Huddart, Berkeley, Calif.

XXIII. The Fifty-third National Encampment provided for the appointment of a committee to arrange for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. U. S. Grant, September 27, 1922. In accordance with this action the following committee is appointed:

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn., *chairman*.  
 Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich.  
 W. J. Patterson, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
 Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
 Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport, Conn.  
 W. S. Matthews, Columbus, Ohio.  
 John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.  
 O. H. Oldroyd, Washington, D. C.  
 E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, Calif.

XXIV. Comrade Walton Weber, Columbus, Ohio, is appointed a trustee of the permanent fund, vice Alfred B. Beers, deceased, and will serve until the national encampment convenes.



XXV. The following committees are hereby appointed to prepare resolutions:

On the death of Commander in Chief James D. Bell:

James Tanner, New York.

Samuel Fallows, Illinois.

A. J. Gahagan, Tennessee.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Alfred B. Beers:

Leo Rassieur, Missouri.

Charles Fenton, Connecticut.

Clarendon E. Adams, Nebraska.

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Elias R. Monfort:

Orlando A. Somers, Indiana.

John M. Adams, Ohio.

Thomas H. Brown, South Dakota.

XXVI. The commander in chief is greatly pleased to announce the enactment of the Fuller pension bill, increasing pensions of soldiers and sailors and marines of the Civil War who served 90 days or more to \$50 a month and increasing the pension of Army nurses of the Civil War and of widows of all honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, or marines married prior to June 27, 1905, to \$30 a month. This bill was signed by the President May 1 and became a law on that date. This justly deserved increase of pension will prove a blessing to thousands of our comrades and to the widows and Army nurses. Too much credit can not be given to Representative Fuller, of Illinois, author of the bill and chairman of the Committee on Invalid Pensions of the House, and to Senator Porter J. McCumber, chairman of the Pension Committee of the Senate, and to each of the members of the legislative committee of the Grand Army of the Republic, all of whom worked faithfully and earnestly for the passage of the bill. Especial credit is due Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner, whose long service in the House of Representatives and wide acquaintance with Members in both House and Senate was of inestimable value. Our thanks are due our friends in the Congress for the passage of the bill and the President for his prompt action in signing it. It is hoped that the bill providing for monthly payment of pensions will become a law at the next session of Congress.

XXVII. The following amendment to the rules and regulations was referred to the Fifty-fourth National Encampment by the Fifty-third National Encampment, having been submitted to that encampment by the Department of Missouri:

Chapter II, Article IV, section 4, of the Rules and Regulations amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. Members of disbanded posts who were in good standing at the time of such dissolution, upon written application to the assistant adjutant general of the department, shall receive from him transfer cards which shall have full force, or, at the option of the applicant, his name shall be entered upon a roll to be kept by the assistant adjutant general and known as a 'Roll of Comrades at Large.' Comrades so enrolled will pay dues semiannually, direct to the assistant adjutant general, of 50 cents each, payable on the first days of January and July of each year. The department encampment shall have the right to increase the amount of such dues at any meeting by resolution duly adopted.

"If the dues of any comrade at large shall remain unpaid for more than thirty days after the same is due he shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless his dues are paid within ten days from the date of such notice he will stand suspended from the Grand Army of the Republic until all arrearages are paid. Any comrade at large whose dues remain unpaid for more than one year after the same are due shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless all arrearages are paid within thirty days from the date of such notice he will be dropped from the roll and no longer be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that he can only be restored by making a written application to be approved by the department commander and by the payment of one year's dues."

We are in receipt of a resolution from the Department of New York providing that all past senior and junior vice department commanders shall be made members of the national encampment. This should have been submitted by that department as an amendment to Chapter IV, Article II, Rules and Regulations.

XXVIII. On the nomination of the inspector general, the following-named comrades are appointed assistant inspectors general:

Alabama: E. F. Quinn, Birmingham, Ala.

Arizona: Arthur J. Judd, Prescott, Ariz.

Arkansas: J. N. Carnes, Eureka, Ark.

California and Nevada: Julius H. Martin, Los Angeles, Calif.

Colorado and Wyoming: George S. Bartlett, Buffalo, Wyo.

Connecticut: David W. Sharpe, New Haven, Conn.

Delaware: R. G. Buckingham, Newark, Del.  
 Florida: John A. Wallace, Tampa, Fla.  
 Georgia and South Carolina: G. E. Whitman, Fitzgerald, Ga.  
 Idaho: T. J. Leeson, Nampa, Idaho.  
 Illinois: B. F. Herrington, Yorkville, Ill.  
 Indiana: W. E. Gorsuch, South Bend, Ind.  
 Iowa: T. R. Bickley, Ottumwa, Iowa.  
 Kansas: S. J. Churchill, Lawrence, Kans.  
 Kentucky: John T. Gunn, Lexington, Ky.  
 Louisiana and Mississippi: J. Sluby Davidson, New Orleans, La.  
 Maine: Fred L. Palmer, Monroe, Me.  
 Maryland: John H. Brandt, Baltimore, Md.  
 Massachusetts: Luther W. Bixby, Boston, Mass.  
 Michigan: William O. Lee, Port Huron, Mich.  
 Minnesota: Calvin R. Fix, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Missouri: C. E. Blackmar, Kansas City, Mo.  
 Montana: William Roney, Billings, Mont.  
 Nebraska: O. C. Bell, Lincoln, Nebr.  
 New Hampshire: O. P. Murdick, Keene, N. H.  
 New Jersey: John B. Fagan, Harrison, N. J.  
 New Mexico: John A. Ross, East Las Vegas, N. Mex.  
 New York: James R. Silliman, New York City.  
 North Dakota: J. M. Johnson, Fargo, N. Dak.  
 Ohio: G. W. Williams, Marion, Ohio.  
 Oklahoma: J. H. Norton, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
 Oregon: Gideon Stolz, Salem, Oreg.  
 Pennsylvania: Charles Marshall, Collingdale, Pa.  
 Potomac: John Finn, Washington, D. C.  
 Rhode Island: Samuel A. Bennett, Providence, R. I.  
 South Dakota: J. E. Davis, Lennox, S. Dak.  
 Tennessee: A. M. Gamble, Maryville, Tenn.  
 Texas: Albert W. Robbins, San Antonio, Tex.  
 Utah: Joseph H. Newton, Salt Lake City, Utah.  
 Vermont: James A. Tracey, Middlebury, Vt.  
 Virginia and North Carolina: W. L. Thurber, Randleman, N. C.  
 West Virginia: James T. Piggott, Parkersburg, W. Va.  
 Washington and Alaska: John A. Taylor, Orting, Wash.  
 Wisconsin: John W. Ganes, Ripon, Wis.

XXIX. The following comrades, having complied with the necessary requirements, are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			ILLINOIS.		
Dolan, J. W.....	55	Los Angeles.	Buggie, James.....	5	Chicago.
Dorsey, John W.....	55	Do.	Lewis, E. H.....	28	Do.
Fuller, Clifford A.....	6	Do.	Hulett, Maffit.....	50	Do.
Savage, William H....	185	San Pedro.	Martin, John A.....	5	Berwyn.
Wagar, M. H.....	55	Ocean Park.	Howe, D. W.....	28	Long Beach, Calif.
			Hair, John S.....	28	Do.
			Vaughan, C. E.....	91	Chicago.
COLORADO AND WYOMING.			INDIANA.		
Tenney, R. Q.....	7	Fort Collins, Colo.	Beaber, D. L.....	271	Fort Wayne.
			Beadle, James W...	9	Rockville.
GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.			Biddle, Jerome H...	74	Remington.
Brist, Fillmore M.....	14	Beaufort, S. C.	Bishop, S. C.....	2	Brazil.
Cox, Charles H.....	1	Atlanta, Ga.	Boley, Albert.....	23	Marion.
Ryan, P.....	14	Savannah.	Buskirk, Thos. B...	334	Paoli.
			Caldwell, Theo. R...	42	Lebanon.
IDAHO.			Carpenter, J. T.....	28	Princeton.
Garrison, Adolphus...	19	Coeur d'Alene.	Caseley, John T.....	55	Richmond.
Gill, James M.....	4	Boise.	Caye, Edmund.....	191	New Albany.
Smith, George D.....	4	Do.	Chappell, S. White...	34	Petersburg.
Wentley, J. B.....		Do.	Collins, Enos W....	230	Pendleton.
			Conder, Solomon....	2	Brazil.
			Cox, John H.....	103	Sheridan.
			Crabbs, B. F.....	7	Crawfordsville.



Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
INDIANA—con.			MICHIGAN—con.		
Creath, A. S.....	5	Greensburg.	Hall, C. M.....	88	Union City.
Crim, I. H.....	247	Bedford.	Lawton, Wilbur F....	170	Petoskey.
Eldred, John D.....	3	La Fayette.	Leavitt, Roswell.....	206	Bellaire.
Engle, William.....	40	Fort Wayne.	Loomis, J. W.....	285	Tustin.
Fish, Edwin B.....	168	Huntingburg.	Loveless, L. T.....	294	Big Rapids.
Flynn, David H.....	3	La Fayette.	Manning, F. L.....	48	Jackson.
Frederick, John W....	17	Indianapolis.	Marsh, Edward C....	145	Flint.
Fritseh, William A....	27	Evansville.	Martin, James.....	35	South Haven.
Garrett, Samuel B....	78	Muncie.	Mason, Wm. H.....	174	Hancock.
Golden, George S.....	64	Brookville.	Miller, John A.....	395	Grand Rapids.
Goorley, Christopher C	127	Franklin.	Palmer, William A...	20	Hartford.
Hart, John E.....	92	Greenfield.	Phillips, C. C.....	19	Bangor.
Havens, Thomas.....	5	Greensburg.	Ruff, Joseph.....	210	Albion.
Hays, Francis A.....	11	Greeneastle.	Sears, Edgar.....	109	Coldwater.
Heiskell, Wm. L.....	17	Indianapolis.	Seel, John.....	14	Benton Harbor.
Herron, W. P.....	7	Crawfordsville.	Skillman, Martin L...	216	Mount Clemens.
Hunt, Elwood.....	9	Roekville.	Stephenson, J. R.....	5	Grand Rapids.
Kendall, William F....	13	Columbus.	Stevens, H. W.....	140	Tecumseh.
Knotts, Robert F....	307	Sullivan.	Wiekham, F. O.....	123	Frankfort.
La Daur, Louis.....	106	Valparaiso.			
Lambert, J. N.....	17	Indianapolis.	MINNESOTA.		
Livesey, John C.....	148	New Castle.	Edwards, H. P.....	18	Fairmont.
McClure, T. C.....	6	Wabash.	Marsh, Isaiah T.....	4	Minneapolis.
McDaniel, Clark E....	29	Marshall.			
McIntosh, William H.	67	Auburn.	MISSOURI.		
Mahan, Frank.....	70	Indianapolis.	Dillard, James W.....	76	Kidder.
Martin, Horace.....	8	South Bend.	Flaisig, Nathan W....	7	Alhambra, Calif.
Mead, William S.....	93	Spencer.	Park, B. F.....	1	St. Louis.
Miller, Henry A.....	3	Montmorenei.			
Mitchell, John F.....	30	Kokomo.	MONTANA.		
Moore, John S.....	186	Plainfield.	Goff, Daniel T.....	21	Hamilton.
Polen, William P.....	13	Columbus.	Bielenberg, C. P. H...	2	Deer Lodge.
Pollard, Isaae G.....	502	Hammond.			
Potter, Charles E.....	13	Columbus.	NEW JERSEY.		
Preston, Albert.....	104	Lagrange.	Boyd, George E.....		Kearney.
Probst, John.....	89	Auburn.	Smith, H. Craig.....	73	Plainfield.
Provines, James.....	67	Lawrenceburg.			
Randall, Joseph B....	18	Shelbyville.	NEW YORK.		
Ransom, James.....	85	Bloomington.	Brainard, Calvin A...	9	Buffalo.
Riddle, William W....	505	Kendallville.	Brink, Silas.....	499	Brooklyn.
Ristine, Theodore H...	7	Crawfordsville.	Coates, Alfred.....	9	Buffalo.
Root, Marcus.....	327	Merom.	Dagwell, John H. I...	9	Do.
Roseman, Joseph.....	16	Vineennes.	Dix, Charles H.....	327	Brooklyn.
Shilling, W. E.....	17	Indianapolis.	Hague, Amos.....	499	Do.
Shinn, Benj. G.....	227	Hartford City.	Harris, Stephen C....	5	Albany.
Snyder, Jacob.....	152	Cannelton.	Holt, Thomas E.....	21	Brooklyn.
Steele, George W.....	23	Marion.	Hurley, Edward.....	9	Buffalo.
Steele, John S.....	8	South Bend.	Ludlam, Joseph F....	499	Brooklyn.
Symons, John Q.....	50	Galveston.	McCafferty, James A.	327	Do.
Taylor, James P.....	474	Odon.	Marshall, J. J.....	499	Do.
Teter, Mahlon H.....	202	Tipton.	Murphy, Bernard....	21	Do.
Ward, William H. H.	14	Logansport.	Russell, Joseph A. C..	499	Do.
Watts, Joseph.....	60	Winchester.	Shaw, Charles A.....	10	Mount Kiseo.
Wheeler, H. H.....	6	Wabash.	Walker, Marcus B....	507	Avoca.
Wiles, P. M.....	3	La Fayette.	Whiting, Theodore...	207	Brooklyn.
Willis, Moses B.....	67	Auburn.			
KANSAS.			OHIO.		
Shaffer, Henry P.....	130	Hiawatha.	Allen, Josiah B.....	89	Athens.
MAINE.			Anderson, J. M.....	422	Uhriehsville.
Hurley, Wm. P.....	16	National Soldiers' Home.	Brotherton, J. A.....	95	Delphos.
Needham, Wm. O.....	2	Norway.	Bushong, W. H.....	441	Bellefontaine.
MASSACHUSETTS.			Bayne, William E....	5	Dayton.
Campbell, Benj. M....	2	Dorehester.	Cline, L. J.....	3	Nelsonville.
McCausland, F. S.....	113	Belmont.	Clouse, William.....	165	Ironton.
Stanley, Edwin P....	67	Manchester.	Conner, George.....	41	Wapakoneta.
MICHIGAN.			Garner, Alfred.....	25	Canton.
Bailey, Samuel D.....	17	Detroit.	Gray, John W.....	178	Marietta.
Baldwin, Rush P.....	132	Portland.	Hefner, W. D.....	202	Lima.
Chapin, Andrew B....	42	Lansing.	Held, Ferdinand D...	368	Cleveland.
Crooks, Andrew.....	152	Alma.	Henry, Albert.....	4	Ashtabula.
Dickinson, Chas. N....	75	Grand Haven.	Hodge, J. H.....	31	Tiffin.
Donaldson, John H....	216	Hohmhurst.	Holbrook, Josiah....	213	Lebanon.
Freeman, George D....	433	Detroit.	Horton, C. H.....	17	Painesville.
			Hughes, W. J.....	77	Lancaster.
			McMillen, T. C.....	340	Cincinnati.
			Menear, B. F.....	1	Columbus.

DANIEL M. HALL,  
*Commander in Chief.*



## IN MEMORIAM.

Comrade Alfred Bishop Beers, past commander in chief, died at his home in Bridgeport, Conn., March 29, aged 74 years. Comrade Beers enlisted August 25, 1861, as private in Company I, Sixth Connecticut Volunteer Infantry; was promoted to corporal November 4, 1863; reenlisted as a veteran March 7, 1864; was wounded at Deep Run, Va., August 16, 1864; was promoted to first sergeant October 30, 1864, and was commissioned captain of Company B, Sixth Connecticut Infantry, March 23, 1865, and was discharged August 21, 1865. Comrade Beers had served many years as chairman of the executive committee of the Soldiers' Hospital Board of the State of Connecticut and had much to do with the establishing of the State Home for Soldiers, at Noroton, Conn. Comrade Beers was elected department commander in 1881, served as judge advocate general in 1908 on the staff of Commander in Chief Henry M. Nevius, was elected junior vice commander in chief in 1909 and commander in chief in 1912. He had served as a member of the committee on rules and regulations and ritual for several years, and at his death was its chairman, and was also serving as a member of the trustees of the permanent fund.

Comrade Elias Riggs Monfort, past commander in chief, died while visiting his daughter at Oaks Corners, N. Y., July 29, 1920, aged 78 years. He enlisted as private in Company A, Sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry June 18, 1861, and was discharged October 5, 1861, to accept promotion in the Seventy-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He enlisted as private in Company F, Seventy-fifth Ohio Infantry, October 8, 1861, commissioned second lieutenant December 14, 1861; promoted to first lieutenant May 15, 1862; and to captain, to date January 14, 1863; discharged January 3, 1864, for wounds received in Battle of Gettysburg, July 1, 1863. Comrade Monfort was elected department commander of Ohio in 1900 and was elected commander in chief in 1915.

Comrade George Ady, past commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died at his home in Seattle, Wash., June 3, 1919, aged 77 years. He enlisted August 30, 1861, as private in Company I, Second Iowa Volunteer Cavalry; was wounded and taken prisoner at Coffeeville, Miss., December 5, 1862; was exchanged March 15, 1863; and was in the hospital until October 1863. He reenlisted as a veteran volunteer in the same company and regiment February 29, 1864. In July, 1864, he was commissioned first lieutenant in the Tenth United States Colored Heavy Artillery and was discharged February 25, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1887.

Comrade James Moynahan, past commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died at his home in Denver, Colo., October 8, 1919, aged 77 years. He enlisted August 21, 1861, as a private in Company C, Twenty-seventh Michigan Infantry and was mustered out as captain of his company April 2, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1916.

Comrade Charles Harris, past commander of the Department of Kansas, died at his home in Emporia, Kans., January 27, 1920, aged 73 years. He enlisted in Company A, Forty-sixth Iowa Infantry, from which he was discharged after five months' service. He reenlisted in Company F of the Twenty-first Iowa Infantry and served until the close of the war. He was elected department commander in 1904 and served as assistant adjutant general of the Department of Kansas in 1909.

Comrade William W. Smith, past commander of the Department of Kansas, died at his home in Topeka, Kans., December 22, 1919. Comrade Smith enlisted in 1861 as private in the Seventeenth Massachusetts Infantry, retiring from the Army in 1865 with the rank of lieutenant colonel, having received four commissions from Gov. Andrew, of Massachusetts, viz, lieutenant, captain, major, and lieutenant colonel. He was elected department commander in 1918.

Comrade William Wilson, past commander of the Department of Minnesota, died at his home in Shakopee, Minn., March 9, 1920, aged 77 years. He enlisted in Company E, Eighth Ohio Infantry, and was mustered out November 8, 1864, because of wounds resulting in the loss of an arm. He was elected department commander in 1878.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 7, }  
Series of 1919-20. }

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio, August 24, 1920.*

I. General Orders, No. 6, were delayed for some weeks in the hope that information as to railroad rates might be received, but we finally decided that general orders must be issued without further delay, and information as to railroad rates would be printed as soon as received. We are now in receipt of information from the several passenger associations as follows:

The Central, Trunk Lines, Trans-Continental, and New England Passenger Associations have notified us that their associations have fixed a rate of 1 cent a mile, tickets good going and returning same route only. In the Central, Trunk Lines, and Trans-Continental territories the tickets will be on sale from August 25 to September 21, 1920.

The Western Passenger Association has notified us that all lines but one in their territory have agreed to the cent-a-mile rate, tickets on sale from September 15 to 20, 1920, good returning to reach destination by midnight of October 14, 1920. Stopovers on all lines in the foregoing territories may be had both going and returning on application to the conductor.

The chairman of the Southeastern and the chairman of the Southwestern Passenger Associations have notified us that some of the lines in their respective territories have agreed to the cent-a-mile rate and they will notify us as soon as all have been heard from. Comrades living in either of these territories must apply to their local ticket agents for information as to routes and rates.

II. Certificates have been shipped from these headquarters to the assistant adjutant general of each department. These certificates are to be issued in each department to members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Army Nurses of the Civil War, Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, National Alliance, Daughters of Veterans, Sons of Veterans, and Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, in good standing in their respective organizations, and members of their families accompanying them to the national encampment.

III. Certificates are *not* to be issued to the following:

1. Members of organizations other than those mentioned in Paragraph II.

2. Veterans of the Civil War who are not members of the Grand Army of the Republic, even though they accompany their wife, son, or daughter, who may be entitled to the rate. Any veteran of the Civil War now drawing \$50 a month pension through the efforts of the Grand Army of the Republic is not deserving of any privileges in connection with the encampment of the organization which he is too ungrateful to join.

3. Sons and daughters of deceased veterans who do not belong to one of the organizations mentioned in Paragraph II.

4. Widows of veterans of the Civil War who do not belong to one of the organizations mentioned in Paragraph II.

5. Relatives of members of the organizations mentioned in Paragraph II who do not live in the same household with such members.

IV. There have been many complaints received at these headquarters because of the delay in issuing this information, but if the comrades knew what a struggle we have had to secure a reduced rate they would censure us less. The passenger associations met during the third week in July and decided on a rate of 2 cents a mile, full-fare ticket to be bought going and certificate to be secured from the adjutant general, at the encampment, entitling the holder to buy a return ticket at one-third of the regular fare. This action was taken in accordance with the ruling of the Interstate Commerce Commission as to manner of selling tickets to the national encampment. As soon as we learned of the action of the Interstate Commerce Commission we took steps to have this ruling annulled, so that round-trip tickets might be bought. We also brought pressure to bear to secure the 1-cent rate, with the result announced in Paragraph I.

We feel sure that the comrades will agree that it was better to secure the 1-cent rate, even at the late date, than to have been able to announce a 2-cent rate weeks ago.

By command of—

DANIEL M. HALL,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General.*



GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 8.

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Columbus, Ohio, September 15, 1920.*

I. As previously announced in General Orders, No. 6, the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic at the Fifty-fourth National Encampment will take place at Indianapolis, Ind., Wednesday, September 22, 1920, at 10 a. m.

II. The parade will be organized by departments, each department under the command of the senior officer of the department present at the encampment. Departments will be assigned to a position in line in order of seniority of date of charter, and will form in columns of four files front. Each department will promptly take up the line of march as uncovered. Distances between departments will be 60 feet; between posts, 20 feet; between files, 4 feet; which distances must be maintained throughout the march.

III. The columns will form promptly at 9.15 a. m., and move at 10 a. m. sharp.

IV. The formation of the parade will be reported at 9.45 a. m. by Harry B. Smith, chairman of the parade committee, to Comrade George A. Hosley, chief of staff to the commander in chief.

V. A preparatory gun will be fired at 9.45 a. m. Three guns fired at 10 a. m. will be the signal to march.

VI. Department commanders will carefully oversee the formation of their respective departments and will close up to the left of the department on the right, but on the march will maintain a distance of 60 feet between departments. Markers will be placed designating the place of formation of each department. The guide will be right throughout the march.

VII. Department commanders must not leave the column after passing the reviewing stand, but will continue the march with their departments to the place of dismissal of the column. When the reviewing stand has been passed they must not attempt to review their commands. No organization will be allowed to leave the column until regularly dismissed.

VIII. In passing the reviewing stand colors will be dipped at six paces from the reviewing officer and will be maintained at salute until six paces beyond him. Officers with side arms will give the officers' salute with the sword. Officers without side arms will salute by touching the right hand to the brim of the hat and looking toward the reviewing officer. Comrades in the ranks will not salute, but will turn their eyes toward the reviewing officer.

IX. Bands and drum corps will take the time of the preceding musical organization, so that the marching column may maintain the same step. All bands and drum corps will cease playing at Washington and Illinois Streets, to be designated by marker, and will resume playing at Capitol Avenue, this point also to be designated by a marker, and will continue playing until they have passed the reviewing stand.

X. The march will be in common time, the cadence 90 steps to the minute. The bands marching in close proximity will alternate in playing. All bands *must* play when passing the reviewing stand.

XI. The commander in chief will review the column at the reviewing stand on the state house grounds.

XII. It is desired that every member of the Grand Army of the Republic present at Indianapolis will make an effort to participate in the parade whether he has a uniform or not, but it is hoped that all will make an effort to appear in the regulation uniform of the order.

XIII. Women, children, and civilians will be prohibited from participating in the parade, and department commanders are directed to enforce this order in their respective departments.

XIV. No flags or standards, except the National and State flags and department and post flags and standards will be allowed in the parade. Regimental flags or banners will not be allowed. No flags will be allowed in the parade except those flying from the staff.

XV. All caricatures and undignified exhibitions will be excluded from the parade.

XVI. National officers and past commanders in chief in automobiles will ride at the head of the column in advance of the national aids-de-camp. Automobiles or carriages will not be allowed in the parade column in or between departments. Automobiles will be furnished for comrades who are unable to march, and these automobiles will be found on Meridian Street north of East Vermont Street. Comrades unable to march will report to Col. Gavin L. Payne and Col. Albert P. Smith.

XVII. When the column reaches Capitol Avenue the commander in chief will leave the column and take his place on the reviewing stand. The other national officers and past commanders in chief will continue in the parade to point of dismissal, and will then return and take their places on the reviewing stand.

XVIII. Aids-de-camp to the commander in chief will report to the senior aid-de-camp at the Hotel Claypool at 9 a. m. on the day of the parade for orders.

XIX. National officers, members of the executive committee, and past commanders in chief will report to the chief of staff at the Hotel Claypool at 9 a. m. on the day of the parade for assignment to automobiles.

XX. The line of march will be less than a mile in length, over asphalt streets, as follows:

Starting at New York and Pennsylvania Streets, west on New York to Meridian, south on Meridian around Monument Circle to East Market Street, east to Pennsylvania Street, south on Pennsylvania Street to Washington, west on Washington Street to Senate Avenue, where the parade will disband.

The line will form as follows:

Platoon of police and Grand Marshal Harry B. Smith and aids will form on west side of Pennsylvania Street, right resting on New York Street, column extending north.

The Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., Harry D. Sisson, commander in chief, will form on east side of Pennsylvania Street, column extending north.

Old Guard of Ohio, personal escort to the commander in chief, will form on Pennsylvania Street, right resting on left of Sons of Veterans.

The commander in chief, national officers, executive committee, and past commanders in chief, in automobiles, will form on north side of East Vermont Street, right resting on Pennsylvania Street, column extending west.

National aids-de-camp will form on south side of East Vermont Street, column extending west.

The departments will form in order of seniority, as follows:

1. Department of Illinois, Edwin N. Armstrong, department commander, will form on south side of University Park, right resting on Pennsylvania Street, column extending west.

2. Department of Wisconsin, W. O. Pietzsch, department commander, will form on south side of University Park, right resting on left of Department of Illinois.

3. Department of Pennsylvania, C. H. William Ruhe, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting 30 feet north of New York Street, column extending west.

4. Department of Ohio, Dr. John M. Adams, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting 60 feet north of New York Street, column extending west.

5. Department of New York, Alfred E. Stacey, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting 90 feet north of New York Street, column extending west.

6. Department of Connecticut, R. W. Williamson, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of New York.

7. Department of Massachusetts, Horace Goodwin, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Connecticut.

8. Department of New Jersey, John T. McNeil, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Massachusetts.

9. Department of Maine, Henry E. Merriam, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting 120 feet north of New York Street, column extending west.

10. Department of California and Nevada, George D. Kellogg, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Maine.

11. Department of Rhode Island, William Massey, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of California and Nevada.



12. Department of New Hampshire, James H. Hunt, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Rhode Island.

13. Department of Vermont, L. W. Bush, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of New Hampshire.

14. Department of the Potomac, John McElroy, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Vermont.

15. Department of Virginia and North Carolina, Charles H. Haber, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of the Potomac.

16. Department of Maryland, George T. Leech, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Virginia and North Carolina.

17. Department of Nebraska, Joseph H. Presson, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Maryland.

18. Department of Michigan, Henry Spaulding, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Nebraska.

19. Department of Iowa, R. L. Chase, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting 150 feet north of New York Street, column extending west.

21. Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Marshall S. Crawford, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Iowa.

22. Department of Kansas, Joseph A. Walter, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

23. Department of Delaware, C. W. Frishmuth, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Kansas.

24. Department of Minnesota, J. A. Town, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Delaware.

25. Department of Missouri, S. D. Webster, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting 180 feet north of New York Street, column extending west.

26. Department of Oregon, J. D. Butler, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Missouri.

27. Department of Kentucky, M. H. Davidson, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Oregon.

28. Department of West Virginia, W. S. Grafton, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Kentucky.

29. Department of South Dakota, E. L. Hurlbut, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of West Virginia.

30. Department of Washington and Alaska, O. D. McDonald, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of South Dakota.

31. Department of Arkansas, Jacob E. Leas, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Washington and Alaska.

32. Department of New Mexico, William M. Berger, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Arkansas.

33. Department of Utah, E. D. Haskins, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of New Mexico.

34. Department of Tennessee, O. L. Thompson, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Utah.

35. Department of Louisiana and Mississippi, E. T. Gipson, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Tennessee.

36. Department of Florida, I. A. Spencer, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Louisiana and Mississippi.

37. Department of Montana, James Page, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Florida.

38. Department of Texas, Max Hart, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Montana.

39. Department of Idaho, John Carr, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Texas.

40. Department of Arizona, J. P. Rhodes, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Idaho.

41. Department of Georgia and South Carolina, Ira M. Swartz, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Arizona.

42. Department of Alabama, John A. Barr, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Georgia and South Carolina.

43. Department of North Dakota, David B. McLain, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of Alabama.

44. Department of Oklahoma, W. S. Tilton, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting on left of Department of North Dakota.

20. Department of Indiana, Robert W. McBride, department commander, will form in University Park, right resting 210 feet north of New York Street, column extending west.

Disabled veterans, in automobiles, will form on Meridian Street, north of East Vermont Street, column extending north.

XXI. The following comrades are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

Henry Gibson, Delphi, Ind.

Andrew Houghton, Boston, Mass.

T. D. Nelson, Ishpeming, Mich.

Jerome Browne, Bedford Hills, N. Y.

Robert T. Sedam, St. Lawrence, S. Dak.

XXII. The name of Henry Stannard should have appeared in the list of aids, published in General Orders No. 5.

By command of—

DANIEL M. HALL,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

JOSEPH W. O'NEALL,  
*Adjutant General.*





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### COMRADE JAMES DAVID BELL.

Comrade JAMES DAVID BELL, Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, died at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., November 1, 1919. The crowning honor of his career had been enjoyed by him less than 60 days when the life which had seemed to his comrades strong, secure, and full of promise for years to come, was extinguished. Comrade Bell was spared any prolonged period of physical weakness and mental decay. Those of us who were accustomed to see him almost daily retain a memory of his elastic step and commanding presence undimmed by any vision of failing strength. During a few days of weakness only he was missing from among his fellows, and then came the astonishing news that he was dead! The end was so sudden it seemed premature, but his life was really full and rounded out; it had realized the highest standards of citizenship and comradeship and had illustrated in an eminent degree the possibilities to American youth of America's opportunities.

Comrade Bell was born in New York City September 29, 1845. He was but a boy of 16 years when Fort Sumter was fired on, but he was mature enough, intrepid enough, and aggressive enough to secure acceptance in the ranks of the Union Army, and persistent enough and devoted and brave enough to continue under the colors to the victorious end four years later.

When he returned to his home at the close of the war, the same qualities secured for him step by step his subsequent conspicuously useful career. He became a newspaper reporter and studied law. When he had been admitted to the bar, he chose Brooklyn for his home. Here he rapidly achieved prominence in his chosen profession and became one of the foremost citizens of that great city.

He was early elected supervisor of his ward; later he was appointed commissioner of police of the city; for many years he was the chairman of the county committee of the political organization to which he belonged. He was the president of the Bar Association of Brooklyn and vice president of that of the State. For 10 years he was the corporation counsel of the Borough of Brooklyn, and his superior knowledge of municipal law secured wide acknowledgment from his fellow lawyers. He was United States district attorney for the eastern district of New York at the time of his death.

In his private life, in the sanctuary of the home, he equally displayed the finest qualities of a well-balanced character. He was happiest when he could gain the seclusion of home and his books





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and give himself up to the enjoyment of their companionship. His books, many thousands in number, filled his house. He read with an understanding and a critical spirit, and in many fields of knowledge was a deeply interested and intelligent gleaner.

He was not only a patriotic soldier, a good citizen, a devoted husband, an affectionate father, a widely read student of public affairs, a wise counselor, an astute political leader, and a sound and deeply learned lawyer but he was a good comrade! During his Army experience he had known what it was to suffer wounds and to bear the hardships of prisons. No side of a soldier's life was strange to him. He retained throughout all the multiplied responsibilities and cares and successes of his subsequent career his interest in his comrades of the Grand Army. For 13 successive years he was commander of Abel Smith, First Long Island Post of the Department of New York. For 30 years he served as a member of the memorial and executive committee of the Grand Army of Kings County, and during this time was prodigal of his services in aid of his comrades whenever called on for help. For many years he was judge advocate of the Department of New York, and as a part of his work as such prepared a digest of all important decisions of the judge advocate general and of all the New York State laws touching veterans' interests. These have for many years formed an important part of the yearly volume of proceedings published by that department. A final revision had been made by him shortly before his death. Comrade Bell was commander of the Department of New York in 1914-15. He was chairman of the committee on resolutions of the national encampment at Portland in 1918. When he was presented by the Department of New York as its candidate for commander in chief, in 1919, his fitness for the place was so evident to all that no serious opposition declared itself. Comrade Bell accepted his election with a deep sense of the honor it conferred and the esteem which it signified and in return had many plans for service to the organization, none of which, alas, was he permitted to bring to fruition.

"He is at rest; his once proud form at last has had to yield  
To Death's keen blade that he defied on many a battle field.  
His martial tread is heard no more, his weary march is done,  
He sleeps beneath the flag he loved—The Man of Sixty-one."

JAMES TANNER.

SAMUEL FALLOWS.

LEWIS S. PILCHER.



JAMES DAVID BELL,  
Commander in Chief, 1919. Died in office.





ALFRED BISHOP BEERS,  
Commander in Chief, 1912. Mustered out March 29, 1920.



# In Memoriam



## COMRADE ALFRED BISHOP BEERS.

Nature has decreed that death shall close the account of each individual. The work done, its character and amount shall determine how valuable the life of the deceased. A survey of the work of our Comrade Beers will disclose remarkable characteristics of which his family and this order may be very proud. We beg to quote a statement of his work as set forth in General Orders, No. 6, of this administration:

“Comrade Alfred Bishop Beers, past commander in chief, died at his home in Bridgeport, Conn., March 29, aged 74 years. Comrade Beers enlisted August 25, 1861, as private in Company I, Sixth Connecticut Volunteer Infantry; was promoted to corporal November 4, 1863; reenlisted as a veteran March 7, 1864; was wounded at Deep Run, Va., August 16, 1864; was promoted to first sergeant October 30, 1864; was commissioned captain of Company B, Sixth Connecticut Infantry March 23, 1865; and was discharged August 21, 1865. Comrade Beers had served many years as chairman of the executive committee of the Soldiers' Hospital Board of the State of Connecticut, and had much to do with the establishing of the State Home for Soldiers at Noroton, Conn. Comrade Beers was elected department commander in 1881, served as judge advocate general in 1908 on the staff of Commander in Chief Henry M. Nevius, and was elected junior vice commander in chief in 1909 and commander in chief in 1912. He had served as a member of the committee on rules and regulations and ritual for several years and at his death was its chairman, and was also serving as a member of the trustees of the permanent fund.”

We desire to add that for nearly four years he was the president of the National Association of the Surviving Volunteer Officers of the Civil War.

Comrade Alfred B. Beers was the uncompromising friend of the great order to which he belonged, and he believed in its precepts and earnestly supported its principles.

He did not strive for glory; honor and justice were his aim; he never compromised right with wrong.

He was loved and revered by his comrades with whom he served during the war, and as commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic his record is of the highest, and we speak of it in the fondest terms of gratitude.

His wise counsels guided us in the past and will live with us in the future.





# In Memoriam



His life was the blending of soldier, patriot, and jurist in the highest order of citizenship and a blessing to all his comrades.

His courage grew to the very heights of human needs, and he is one of our mightiest departed and belongs to the blessed of our ranks.

So just was he that the voice of censure did not overtake him, and our order was especially the object of his pride and ambition. He was just to all; hate and envy were not in him.

The purity of his private life gave emphasis to his public virtues. In undisturbed serenity he closed an exemplary career. Such was the life of the comrade the Grand Army of the Republic mourns.

May he rest in the pure bliss that country and Heaven bestows.

*Now, therefore, be it resolved,* That these resolutions be inscribed upon the permanent record of our order and that the sincere and profound sympathy and condolence of our order be extended to his wife and family, and a copy of these resolutions be delivered to them.

LEO RASSIEUR.

CLARENDON E. ADAMS.









ELIAS RIGGS MONFORT,  
Commander in Chief, 1915. Mustered out July 29, 1920.



# In Memoriam



## COMRADE ELIAS RIGGS MONFORT.

Comrade ELIAS RIGGS MONFORT was born at Greensburg, Ind., March 2, 1842, and died at Oaks Corner, N. Y., July 29, 1920.

He entered the three months' service in the war for the Union, a private in Company A, Sixth Ohio Volunteer Infantry; commissioned second lieutenant in the Seventy-fifth Ohio Infantry June 23, 1861; first lieutenant May 15, 1862; captain Company F, same regiment, January 12, 1863.

At the Battle of Gettysburg he received a wound causing permanent disability, and was honorably discharged from the service.

As a private in the three months' service, he was engaged at Philippi, Beverly, Dry Fork, Burlington, Carricks Ford, Laurel Hill and Georgetown, Huttonsville, Elkwater, Mingo Flats, Cheat Mountain, and Greenbriar, W. Va. As an officer in the Seventy-fifth Ohio Regiment, he was present with Gen. Milroy in engagements at Cheat Mountain, Monterey, Crab Orchard, Franklin, Buffalo Gap, McDowell, Shenandoah Mountain, and again at Franklin; with Gen. Fremont at Petersburg, Straussburg, Mount Jackson, Cross Keys, and Port Republic; with Gen. Pope at Sperryville, Culpepper Courthouse, Cedar Mountain, Raccoon Ford, Rapidan, Freemans Ford, Waterloo Bridge (second Bull Run), and Manassas; with Gen. Burnside at Falmouth and Rappahannock; with Gen. Hooker in the Chancellorsville campaign; and with Gens. Reynolds and Meade at Gettysburg, where he was dangerously wounded. After his honorable discharge from the Army for disability, he completed his studies at Hanover College and began the practice of law at Greensburg, Ind. In 1875 he became an editor of the Herald and Presbyter. He was a member and for years president of the Cincinnati School Board, was clerk of the Hamilton County court in 1896 and 1897, and postmaster at Cincinnati from 1899 to 1915.

In his church relations he was trustee of the Presbytery of Cincinnati, and for 40 years an elder and clerk of sessions of the Walnut Hills First Church. He was trustee of Lane Seminary, and at various times trustee of Hanover College and other educational and benevolent institutions. He was president of Hamilton County Soldiers and Sailors' Memorial Building Association. Helpful and efficient in all kinds of work, he never failed to respond where he could be of service to his fellow men. Hundreds remember him as their benefactor. The humblest soldier or soldier's widow





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or citizen did not hesitate to approach him when in need, confident of a helping hand.

In Grand Army circles he was active and well known; commander of Fred C. Jones Post, No. 401; was elected department commander, Department of Ohio, in 1900, thereby becoming a permanent member of the national encampment. After that date he was present at every annual national encampment, one only excepted, that at Los Angeles, where he gave place to his associate in the Cincinnati post office, Past Commander in Chief William C. Johnson, deceased, who desired to be present at the encampment on the Pacific coast.

In the national encampment he was well known for his ability and general usefulness, for his advice and work on important committees, and his devotion to comrades and the Grand Army of the Republic.

In his death the encampment has suffered a loss, and his comrades mourn.

ORLANDO A. SOMERS.  
THOS. H. BROWN.  
JOHN M. ADAMS.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA.

## COMRADE MANOAH BOSTICK.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1895.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—DIED IN OFFICE.

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 26, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA.

## COMRADE ANSON B. CULVER.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1908.

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 15, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA.

## COMRADE CHARLES A. MANGE.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1915.

MUSTERED OUT JULY 12, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA.

## COMRADE GEORGE H. PATRICK.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1871-1880.

MUSTERED OUT JULY —, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS.

## COMRADE W. H. H. CLAYTON.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1891.

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 14, 1919.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF ARKANSAS.

**COMRADE A. H. SOEKLAND.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1897.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 24, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.

**COMRADE W. H. AIKEN.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1873-1880.

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 11, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.

**COMRADE CHARLES T. RICE.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1904.

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 20, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

**COMRADE GEORGE ADY.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1887.

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 3, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

**COMRADE JAMES MOYNAHAN.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1916.

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 8, 1919.



# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

## COMRADE DEXTER T. SAPP.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911.

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 5, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA.

## COMRADE THEODORE W. B. BRAKE.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 3, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.

## COMRADE W. B. TODD.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1914.

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 14, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO.

## COMRADE A. M. ROWE.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1907.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 2, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS.

## COMRADE CHRISTOPHER C. DUFFY.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911.

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 29, 1920.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA.

**COMRADE ALEXANDER P. ASBURY.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1910.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 25, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA.

**COMRADE MILTON GARRIGUS.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1902.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 25, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF IOWA.

**COMRADE AMOS HART EVANS.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1897.

MUSTERED OUT JULY 25, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF IOWA.

**COMRADE GEORGE A. NEWMAN.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1894.

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 15, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF IOWA.

**COMRADE LOT ABRAHAM.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911.

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 29, 1920.



# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS.

**COMRADE WILLIAM W. SMITH.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1918.

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 22, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS.

**COMRADE CHARLES HARRIS.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1909.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 27, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS.

**COMRADE JOHN C. CARPENTER.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1868.

MUSTERED OUT.



DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND.

**COMRADE DAVID L. STANTON.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1898.

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 26, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN.

**COMRADE JAMES M. GREENFIELD.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1909.

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 12, 1920.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA.

## COMRADE CHARLES VAN CAMPEN.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1916.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY —, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA.

## COMRADE WILLIAM WILSON.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1878.

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 9, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI.

## COMRADE LOUIS BENECKE.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1895.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 29, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI.

## COMRADE BENJAMIN WARNER.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911.

MUSTERED OUT MAY 30, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA.

## COMRADE JOSEPH S. HOAGLAND.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1918.

MUSTERED OUT JULY 31, 1920.



# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

## COMRADE REUBEN T. LEAVITT.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1916.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 30, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

## COMRADE MARTIN A. HAYNES.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1881.

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 29, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

## COMRADE DANIEL HALL.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1892.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 8, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

## COMRADE WILLIAM A. BECKFORD.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1912.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 26, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY.

## COMRADE ALFRED ATKINS.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1906.

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 21, 1919.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY.

## COMRADE JAMES M. ATWOOD.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1904.

MUSTERED OUT JULY 22, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK.

## COMRADE JOHN C. SCHOTTS.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1894.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 26, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK.

## COMRADE EDWARD J. ATKINSON.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1895.

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 3, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK.

## COMRADE CHARLES FREEMAN.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1891.

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 12, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF NORTH DAKOTA.

## COMRADE WILLIAM A. BENTLEY.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1891.

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 20, 1920.



# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF OHIO.

**COMRADE AMOS HUFFMAN.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1905.

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 1, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF OHIO.

**COMRADE WILLIAM A. PITTENGER.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1917.

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 5, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF OREGON.

**COMRADE DANA C. SHERMAN.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1896.

MUSTERED OUT SEPTEMBER 24, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

**COMRADE LEVI G. McCAULEY.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1901.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 7, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

**COMRADE R. P. SCOTT.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1902.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 12, 1920.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF POTOMAC.

**COMRADE J. K. GLEASON.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1914.

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 22, 1914.



DEPARTMENT OF POTOMAC.

**COMRADE NATHAN BICKFORD.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1894.

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 30, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF POTOMAC.

**COMRADE WILLIAM S. ODELL.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1920.

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 28, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF POTOMAC.

**COMRADE A. H. G. RICHARDSON.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1877.

MUSTERED OUT.



DEPARTMENT OF POTOMAC.

**COMRADE GEORGE C. ROSS.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911.

MUSTERED OUT.



# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND.

**COMRADE EZRA K. PARKER.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1905.

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 19, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND.

**COMRADE SAMUEL W. K. ALLEN.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1898.

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 4, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

**COMRADE N. I. LOTHIAN.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1906.

MUSTERED OUT MAY —, 1920.



DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS.

**COMRADE C. A. CAHOON.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1916.

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 25, 1919.



DEPARTMENT OF UTAH.

**COMRADE REUBEN OEHLEH.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1913.

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 13, 1920.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT.

**COMRADE HUGH HENRY.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1892.

MUSTERED OUT.



DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT.

**COMRADE HENRY C. STREETER.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1916.

MUSTERED OUT.



DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA.

**COMRADE JAMES E. PORTER.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1895.

MUSTERED OUT.



DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA.

**COMRADE C. T. PATTERSON.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1896.

MUSTERED OUT.



DEPARTMENT OF WEST VIRGINIA.

**COMRADE THOMAS V. SALISBURY.**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911.

MUSTERED OUT JUNE —, 1920.

# COMPLETE ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

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FOUNDED BY DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, AT DECATUR, ILL.,  
APRIL 6, 1866.

*First commander in chief,*  
BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.

*First adjutant general,*  
ROBERT MANN WOOD, Illinois.

*First quartermaster general,*  
JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois.

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

## FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., NOVEMBER 20, 1866.

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	STEPHEN A. HURLBURT, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES B. McKEAN, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	D. C. McNEIL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	AUGUST WILICH, Ohio.

## SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JANUARY 15, 1868.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
<i>Inspector general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.

## THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 12, 13, 1869.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEX, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

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<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers now appointed.



**FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
MAY 11, 12, 1870.**

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

**FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
MAY 10, 11, 1871.**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO,  
MAY 8, 9, 1872.**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN.,  
MAY 14, 15, 1873.**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. GOBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspceter general</i> -----	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i> -----	{ W. F. ROGERS, New York. <sup>1</sup> MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge Advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### • ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I., JUNE 26, 27, 1877.

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

<sup>1</sup> Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.



**TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.,  
JUNE 4, 1878.**

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

**THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y.,  
JUNE 17, 18, 1879.**

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership, 44,752.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

**FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO,  
JUNE 8, 9, 1880.**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
JUNE 15, 16, 1881.**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

## SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD., JUNE 21-23, 1882.

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 134,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. E. W. ROSS, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

## SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., JULY 25, 26, 1883.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM VANDEVER, Iowa.

## EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., JULY 23-25, 1884.

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

## NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, ME., JUNE 24, 25, 1885.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SELDON CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.



**TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,  
AUGUST 4-6, 1886.**

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

**TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO.,  
SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1887.**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZY, Vermont.

**TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888.**

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

**TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
AUGUST 28-30, 1889.**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. LOVETT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 13, 14, 1890.**

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 409,489.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RICHARD F. TOBIN, Massachusetts. <sup>1</sup> GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,  
AUGUST 5-7, 1891.**

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRED. PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.

**TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 1892.**

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1893.**

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. G. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.



## TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA., SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1894.

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership, 369,083.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS G. LAWLER, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. H. HAGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	MATT. H. ELLIS, New York.

## TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY., SEPTEMBER 11-13, 1895.

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS C. ILIFF, Utah.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

## THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1896.

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

## THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y., AUGUST 25-27, 1897.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED LYTH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES A. SEXTON, <sup>1</sup> Illinois.
	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., AUGUST 29, 30, 1900.

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

### THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN McELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.



### THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. B. SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

### THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., AUGUST 20, 21, 1903.

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRY C. KESSLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE A. HARMAN, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ERWIN B. MESSLER, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

### THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 17, 18, 1904.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, Massachusetts. <sup>1</sup> JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee. E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocates general</i> -----	{ AMOS M. THAYER, Missouri. <sup>1</sup> OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

### THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1905.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.

### FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., AUGUST 16, 17, 1906.

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership, 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

### FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907.

Headquarters established Kansas City. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

### FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1908.

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

### FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, AUGUST 12, 13, 1909.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM R. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.



### FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> _____	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

### FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 24, 25, 1911.

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	JOHN H. MCCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> _____	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

### FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF., SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912.

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	H. Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> _____	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

### FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913.

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> _____	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, Maine. <sup>1</sup> A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> _____	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

<sup>1</sup> Resigned.

### **FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914.**

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, <sup>1</sup> Michigan.
	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
	{ OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. ORVILLE J. NAVE, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

### **FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915.**

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,863.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEVANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	REV. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DR. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

### **FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916.**

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 149,074.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RALZEMOND A. PARKER, Detroit, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, Newark, N. J.

### **FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 20-25, 1917.**

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.

<sup>1</sup> Died in office.



## FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG., AUGUST 18-24, 1918.

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CLARENDON E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHAS. H. HABER, National Soldiers' Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

## FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919.

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio. Membership, 110,357.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES D. BELL, <sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y. DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio. CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif. ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

## FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1920.

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership 103,258.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year.

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. HOSLEY, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. E. GANDY, Spokane, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	MAHLON D. BUTLER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

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<sup>1</sup> Died in office.

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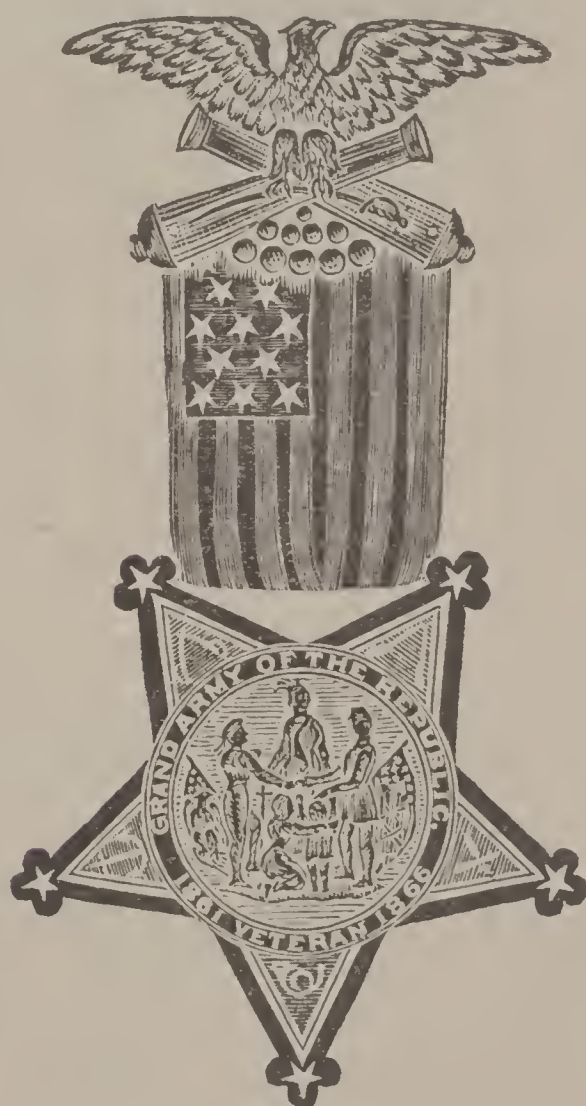


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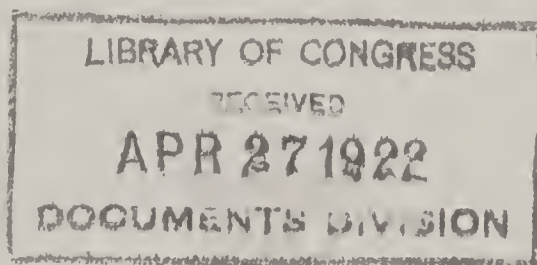
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*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring),* That there shall be printed as a House document one thousand five hundred copies of the Journal of the Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the year 1921, not to exceed \$1,700 in cost, with illustrations, one thousand copies of which shall be for the use of the House and five hundred for the use of the Senate.

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# ENCAMPMENT ROLL LIST OF COMMITTEES

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MEMBERSHIP, FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The total number of names appearing on the Roll of the Fifty-fifth National Encampment, as shown by the following table, is 1,342.

Deducting previously reported, as indicated by (†), the net voting strength is 1,252.

National officers, past national officers, and departments.	Depart-ment officers.	Repre-senta-tives.	Past depart-ment com-mand-ers.	Total.	Deduct previ-ously re-ported. (†)	Net voting strength.
National officers entitled to vote.....				10		10
National council of administration...				44		44
Past commanders in chief.....				12		12
Past senior vice commanders in chief.....				15	1	14
Past junior vice commanders in chief.....				16	1	15
Alabama.....	4	1	9	14	2	12
Arizona.....	4	1	13	18	2	16
Arkansas.....	4	2	20	26	4	22
California and Nevada.....	4	17	33	54	1	53
Colorado and Wyoming.....	4	5	17	26	2	24
Connecticut.....	4	5	17	26		26
Delaware.....	4	2	18	24	2	22
Florida.....	4	3	14	21	1	20
Georgia and South Carolina.....	4	1	15	20	3	17
Idaho.....	4	2	16	22	1	21
Illinois.....	4	24	11	39	1	38
Indiana.....	4	21	18	43	1	42
Iowa.....	4	17	18	39	2	37
Kansas.....	4	16	15	35	1	34
Kentucky.....	4	3	14	21	3	18
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	4	2	5	11	2	9
Maine.....	4	6	16	26	3	23
Maryland.....	4	4	16	24	4	20
Massachusetts.....	4	19	13	46	2	44
Michigan.....	4	14	18	36	3	33
Minnesota.....	4	7	19	30	3	27
Missouri.....	4	10	18	32	4	28
Montana.....	4	2	10	16	1	15
Nebraska.....	4	8	16	28	3	25
New Hampshire.....	4	4	15	23		23
New Jersey.....	4	5	15	24	2	22
New Mexico.....	4	1	13	18	2	16
New York.....	4	30	16	50	2	48
North Dakota.....	4	2	16	22	1	21
Ohio.....	4	35	16	55	3	52
Oklahoma.....	4	4	18	26	1	25
Oregon.....	4	6	19	29	1	28
Pennsylvania.....	4	31	18	53	2	51
Potomac.....	4	3	27	34	6	28
Rhode Island.....	4	3	13	20	1	19
South Dakota.....	4	3	22	29	5	24
Tennessee.....	4	2	18	24		24
Texas.....	4	2	10	16	1	15
Utah.....	4	2	10	16	2	14
Vermont.....	4	5	15	24		24
Virginia and North Carolina.....	4	2	8	14	2	12
Washington and Alaska.....	4	7	19	30	1	29
West Virginia.....	4	3	15	22		22
Wisconsin.....	4	10	25	39	5	34
Total.....	176	352	707	1,342	90	1,252



# ROLL OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 25 TO 29, 1921.

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## NATIONAL OFFICERS.

*Commander in Chief:*

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.

*Senior Vice Commander in Chief:*

GEORGE A. HOSLEY,<sup>1 2</sup> Boston, Mass.

*Junior Vice Commander in Chief:*

J. E. GANDY,<sup>1 3</sup> Spokane, Wash.

*Surgeon General:*

DR. C. W. BURRILL,<sup>1</sup> Kansas City, Mo.

*Chaplain in Chief:*

WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH,<sup>1</sup> Wichita, Kans.

*Adjutant General:*

MAHLON D. BUTLER,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.

*Quartermaster General:*

COLA D. R. STOWITS,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.

*Judge Advocate General:*

THOMAS S. HOPKINS,<sup>1 4</sup> Washington, D. C.

*Inspector General:*

MARSHALL W. WOOD,<sup>1 5</sup> Boise, Idaho.

*National Patriotic Instructor:*

SMITH STIMMEL,<sup>1</sup> Fargo, N. Dak.

*Assistant Adjutant General:*

FRANCIS M. VAN PELT,<sup>1 6</sup> Anderson, Ind.

*Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian of Records:*

J. HENRY HOLCOMB,<sup>7</sup> Philadelphia, Pa.

*Chief of Staff:*

S. G. HARVEY,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, Ohio.

*Senior Aid-de-camp:*

W. H. COMSTOCK,<sup>8</sup> Denver, Colo.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Past department commander of Massachusetts.

<sup>3</sup> Past department commander of Washington and Alaska.

<sup>4</sup> Past department commander of Potomac.

<sup>5</sup> Past department commander of Idaho.

<sup>6</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>7</sup> Entitled to vote.

<sup>8</sup> Past department commander of Colorado and Wyoming.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	George F. Jackson <sup>1</sup> .....	Birmingham.
Arizona.....	E. S. Godfrey <sup>1</sup> .....	Cookstown, N. J.
Arkansas.....	Cos Altenberg <sup>1</sup> .....	Little Rock.
California and Nevada.....	Chas. F. Derby <sup>1</sup> .....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	Jmes E. Jewell <sup>1</sup> .....	Fort Morgan, Colo.
Connecticut.....	Harry L. Beach <sup>1</sup> .....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	William Kelley <sup>1</sup> .....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	M. H. Porter <sup>1</sup> .....	Kissimmee.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	George E. Whitmann <sup>1</sup> .....	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Idaho.....	George F. Kimery <sup>1</sup> .....	Boise.
Illinois.....	John B. Inman <sup>1 2</sup> .....	Springfield.
Indiana.....	F. M. Van Pelt <sup>1</sup> .....	Anderson.
Iowa.....	J. W. Willett <sup>1 2</sup> .....	Tama.
Kansas.....	Scott Kelsey <sup>1</sup> .....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	Americus Whedon <sup>1</sup> .....	Washington, D. C.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	Basile Ulgere <sup>1</sup> .....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Alphonzo Rollins <sup>1</sup> .....	Portland.
Maryland.....	John A. Thompson <sup>1</sup> .....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Wilfred A. Wetherbee <sup>1</sup> .....	Newton.
Michigan.....	H. A. Chapin <sup>1</sup> .....	Lansing.
Minnesota.....	Levi Longfellow <sup>1</sup> .....	Minneapolis.
Missouri.....	John M. Williams <sup>1</sup> .....	California.
Montana.....	George H. Taylor <sup>1</sup> .....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	W. H. Stewart <sup>1</sup> .....	Geneva.
New Hampshire.....	Henry L. Harris <sup>1</sup> .....	Warner.
New Jersey.....	Wm. O. Allen <sup>1</sup> .....	Newark.
New Mexico.....	John Greenwald <sup>1</sup> .....	Socorro.
New York.....	George A. Price <sup>1 2</sup> .....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	Pat H. Cummings <sup>1</sup> .....	Fargo.
Ohio.....	John C. Roland <sup>1 2</sup> .....	Cleveland.
Oklahoma.....	F. E. Hills <sup>1</sup> .....	Enid.
Oregon.....	J. G. Chambers <sup>1</sup> .....	Portland.
Pennsylvania.....	J. Andrew Wilt <sup>1 2</sup> .....	Towanda.
Potomac.....	John Middleton <sup>1</sup> .....	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	John A. Medbery <sup>1</sup> .....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	M. M. Baird <sup>1</sup> .....	Sturgis.
Tennessee.....	Newton Hacker <sup>1</sup> .....	Jonesboro.
Texas.....	Henry W. Nye <sup>1</sup> .....	Fort Worth.
Utah.....	H. W. Charter <sup>1</sup> .....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	J. A. Thwing <sup>1</sup> .....	Bellows Falls.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	H. W. Weiss <sup>1</sup> .....	Emporia, Va.
Washington and Alaska.....	F. H. Hurd <sup>1</sup> .....	Seattle.
West Virginia.....	William Keely <sup>1</sup> .....	Charleston.
Wisconsin.....	H. R. Bird <sup>1 2</sup> .....	Madison.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Member of executive committee.



## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS.

### PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

B. F. Stephenson <sup>2</sup> (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871)	1866
S. A. Hurlbut, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882)	1866-67
John A. Logan, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886)	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881)	1871-72
Charles Devens, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892)	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1899)	1875-76
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1897)	1877-78
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Feb. 17, 1885)	1879
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1880
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900)	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1882
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1914)	1883
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died June 14, 1909)	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914)	1885
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)	1886
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1887
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1888
Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907)	1889
Wheelock G. Veazy, <sup>2</sup> Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898)	1890
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1891
A. G. Weissert, Milwaukee, Wis.	1892
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900)	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908)	1894
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1895
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1896
John P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910)	1897
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office Feb. 5, 1899)	1898
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917)	1899
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 10, 1901)	1899
Leo Rassieur, <sup>1</sup> St. Louis, Mo.	1900
Ell Torrance, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917)	1902
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915)	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office July 16, 1905)	1904
John R. King, <sup>1</sup> Baltimore, Md.	1905
James Tanner, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1905
Robert B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 30, 1916)	1906
Charles G. Burton, <sup>1</sup> Kansas City, Mo.	1907
Henry M. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911)	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, Minneapolis, Minn.	1909
John E. Gilman, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 20, 1921)	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918)	1911
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1912
Washington Gardner, <sup>1</sup> Albion, Mich.	1913
David J. Palmer, <sup>1</sup> Washington, Iowa	1914
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 29, 1920)	1915
W. J. Patterson, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, Pa.	1916
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died June 9, 1921)	1917
Clarendon E. Adams, <sup>1</sup> Omaha, Nebr.	1918
James D. Bell, <sup>2</sup> New York (died in office Nov. 1, 1919)	1919
Daniel M. Hall, <sup>1</sup> Columbus, Ohio	1919

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 5, 1879)-----	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887)-----	1868
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)-----	1868-70
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)-----	1871-72
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 13, 1896)-----	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> California (died Sept. 18, 1911)-----	1875-76
Elisha H. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917)-----	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)-----	1878
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)-----	1879
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904)-----	1880
Charles L. Young, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died in September, 1913)-----	1881
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907)-----	1882
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)-----	1883
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)-----	1884
Seldon Connor, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died July 9, 1917)-----	1885
S. W. Backus, San Francisco, Calif-----	1886
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died July 31, 1899)-----	1887
Moses H. Neil, Columbus, Ohio-----	1888
A. G. Weissert, <sup>3</sup> Milwaukee, Wis-----	1889
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office Nov. 22, 1890)-----	1890
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907)-----	1891
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> Detroit, Mich. (died July 13, 1912)-----	1891
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 16, 1906)-----	1892
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)-----	1893
A. P. Burchfield, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910)-----	1894
E. H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901)-----	1895
John H. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907)-----	1896
Alfred Lyth, <sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y-----	1897
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (elected commander in chief Sept. 5, 1899)-----	1898
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)-----	1899
Irvin Robbins, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Feb. 9, 1911)-----	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, <sup>1</sup> Portland, Me-----	1900
John McElroy, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C-----	1901
William M. Olin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 15, 1911)-----	1902
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> California (died Dec. 25, 1913)-----	1903
John R. King, <sup>1 3</sup> Baltimore, Md. (promoted to commander in chief July 17, 1905)-----	1904
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to fill vacancy; died Sept. 19, 1906)-----	1905
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> Colorado (died Dec. 17, 1916)-----	1905
William H. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914)-----	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 6, 1912)-----	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918)-----	1908
William M. Bostaph, Salt Lake City, Utah-----	1909
Charles Burrows, Rutherford, N. J-----	1910
Nicholas W. Day, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 6, 1916)-----	1911
Henry Z. Osborne, Los Angeles, Calif-----	1912
Thomas H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> Oklahoma (died Aug. 21, 1918)-----	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died in office Mar. 9, 1915)-----	1914
William F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (promoted to fill vacancy Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)-----	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, Washington, D. C-----	1915
William H. Wormstead, Kansas City, Mo-----	1916
John L. Clem, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C-----	1917
John G. Chambers, <sup>1</sup> Portland, Oreg-----	1918
Daniel M. Hall, Columbus, Ohio (promoted to commander in chief Nov. 4, 1919)-----	1919
Charles B. Wilson, Los Angeles, Calif-----	1919

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Past commander in chief.



## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903)	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905)	1866-1869
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1870
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 14, 1918)	1871
J. Warren Keifer, <sup>1</sup> Springfield, Ohio	1871-72
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901)	1873
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919)	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896)	1875-76
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)	1877
Herbert E. Hill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892)	1878
Harrison Dingman, Washington, D. C.	1879
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884)	1880
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died June 9, 1912)	1881
I. S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died May 30, 1903)	1882
Walter H. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> California (died Mar. 26, 1889)	1883
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919)	1884
John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900)	1885
Edgar Allan, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904)	1886
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905)	1887
Joseph Hadfield, <sup>5</sup> New York	1888
John F. Lovett, Trenton, N. J.	1889
George B. Creamer, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896)	1890
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1891
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904)	1892
J. C. Bigger, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900)	1893
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907)	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died in 1911)	1895
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906)	1896
Francis B. Allen, Hartford, Conn.	1897
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected senior vice commander in chief Sept. 6, 1899; office of junior vice commander in chief left vacant; died Mar. 26, 1916)	1898
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911)	1899
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (died Nov. 20, 1910)	1900
James O'Donnell, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910)	1901
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904)	1902
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907)	1903
George N. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Sept. 19, 1906)	1904
Ephraim B. Stillings, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917)	1905
Silas H. Towler, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.	1905
E. B. Fenton, Evanston, Ill.	1906
William M. Scott, Atlanta, Ga.	1907
Charles C. Royce, Washington, D. C.	1908
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1909
William James, Jacksonville, Fla.	1910
William A. Ogden, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914)	1911
Americus Whedon, <sup>6</sup> Washington, D. C.	1912
A. S. Fowler, Little Rock, Ark.	1913
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Dallas, Tex. (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Mar. 1, 1919)	1914
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, Mich. (elected Apr. 1, 1915)	1915
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>1</sup> Berea, Ky.	1915
E. K. Russ, New Orleans, La.	1916
John M. Vernon, Wilmette, Ill.	1917
Charles H. Haber, <sup>1</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Va.	1918
Charles B. Wilson, Los Angeles, Calif. (promoted to senior vice commander in chief Nov. 4, 1919)	1919
Isidore Isaac, <sup>1</sup> New York City	1919

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>6</sup> National council of administration.

## DEPARTMENTS.

[The figures within the ( ) indicate the number of each department in the order of permanent organization.]

### ALABAMA (42).

[Organized June 26, 1876; reorganized Mar. 12, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 50; posts, 3.]

Department commander-----	James Ashworth <sup>1</sup> -----	Birmingham.
Senior vice department commander-----	C. K. Roe-----	Mobile.
Junior vice department commander-----	Louis Marschael <sup>1</sup> -----	Mobile.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Charles C. Chapin <sup>1</sup> -----	Birmingham.

#### REPRESENTATIVE.

George Hoenig,<sup>1</sup> Cullman.

#### ALTERNATE.

H. F. Dodd, Whistler.

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Cornelius Cadle, <sup>2</sup> 1868-1870.	Henry Chairsell, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1904.
Datus E. Coon, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	A. G. Negley, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
George H. Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1871-1880.	A. N. Ballard, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
F. G. Sheppard, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	W. M. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
William H. Hunter, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	C. E. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
Seymour Bullock, <sup>2</sup> 1891 (died in office).	C. A. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
A. B. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Thomas R. Gockel, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
William Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Henry M. Austin, <sup>1</sup> Bedford, Va., 1910.
J. Clyde Millar, <sup>2, 7</sup> 1893.	Charles C. Chapin, <sup>1, 9</sup> Birmingham, 1911.
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	W. H. Brooks, <sup>5</sup> 1912.
Manoah Bostick, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Joseph Greenwood, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
George F. Wollenhaupt, <sup>3</sup> 1896.	Anson B. Culver, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
W. H. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Charles A. Mange, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
A. G. Bethard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	J. J. Powers, <sup>1</sup> Mobile, 1916.
A. P. Stone, <sup>5</sup> 1899.	E. F. Quinn, <sup>1</sup> Birmingham, 1917.
George B. Randolph, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Isaac W. Higgs, Citronelle, 1918.
Geo. F. Jackson, <sup>1, 8</sup> Birmingham, 1901.	A. W. Fulghum, Birmingham, 1919.
E. D. Bacon, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	John A. Barr, <sup>1</sup> Citronelle, 1920.
R. H. Allison, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	

### ARIZONA (40).

[Organized Jan. 17, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 65; posts, 5.]

Department commander-----	W. J. Murphey-----	Phoenix.
Senior vice department commander---	Warren E. Day-----	Prescott.
Junior vice department commander----	James Wiley-----	Globe.
Assistant adjutant general-----	A. J. Sampson-----	Phoenix.

#### REPRESENTATIVE.

James W. Coverdale, Phoenix.

#### ALTERNATE.

Thomas Boyle, Phoenix.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



ARIZONA—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

A. L. Grow, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Arthur J. Judd, Prescott, 1905.
A. B. Sampson, Tucson, 1889.	James H. Creighton, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
George F. Coates, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	N. S. Fullmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Edward Schwartz, <sup>2</sup> 1891-92.	A. J. Doran, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Douglas Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	D. P. Kyle, <sup>7</sup> Los Angeles, Calif., 1909.
Chas. D. Belden, Ben Avon, Pa., 1894.	E. S. Godfrey, <sup>1 8</sup> Cookstown, N. J., 1910.
W. F. R. Schindler, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	R. H. Green, Phoenix, 1911.
Archibald J. Sampson, <sup>9</sup> Phoenix, 1896.	James F. Duncan, Tombstone, 1912.
George Hoxworth, <sup>7</sup> 1897.	J. J. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1913 (died in office).
James Finley, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	George W. Reed, Prescott, 1913-14.
George Broughton, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. M. Grier, Phoenix, 1915.
R. H. G. Minty, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	George W. Barrows, Phoenix, 1916.
Prosper P. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	H. H. Farrington, <sup>1</sup> Phoenix, 1917-18.
C. F. Schumacher, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	A. J. Christian, Phoenix, 1919.
George W. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	J. P. Rhodes, Phoenix, 1920.
C. M. Christy, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	

ARKANSAS (31).

[Organized July 17, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 257 ; posts, 12.]

Department commander-----	George W. Clark <sup>1</sup> -----	Little Rock.
Senior vice department commander-----	W. M. Sullivan <sup>1</sup> -----	Bentonville.
Junior vice department commander-----	L. A. Thomas-----	Hot Springs.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Jacob E. Leas <sup>1</sup> -----	Little Rock.

REPRESENTATIVES.

James H. Conley,<sup>1</sup> Little Rock.  
M. C. Stouteagle,<sup>1</sup> Little Rock.

ALTERNATES.

Charles Ramsey, Little Rock.  
Philip Young, Pine Bluff.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Stephen Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	John H. Avery, <sup>1</sup> Hot Springs, 1902-3.
C. M. Barnes, Guthrie, Okla., 1885.	Edward T. Wolfe, Mena, 1904.
C. C. Waters, Little Rock, 1886.	W. S. Bartholomew, Mansfield, 1905.
Thomas Boles, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	J. W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
S. K. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Cos Altenberg, <sup>1 8</sup> Little Rock, 1907.
A. S. Fowler, <sup>10</sup> Little Rock, 1889-90.	Charles E. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
W. H. H. Clayton, South McAlester, Okla., 1891.	A. Y. Killingsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Powell Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	J. M. McClintock, <sup>1</sup> De Valls Bluff, 1910.
Logan H. Roots, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (died in office).	R. J. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Thomas H. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1893-94.	F. W. Tucker, Little Rock, 1912.
Wm. C. Roberts, Rogers, 1895.	A. S. Fowler, <sup>10</sup> Little Rock, 1913-14.
O. M. Spellman, Heber, 1896.	Charles S. Warn, Fort Smith, 1915.
A. H. Soekland, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	H. F. Wallace, Siloam Springs, 1916.
W. G. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	O. J. Kyler, <sup>1</sup> Little Rock, 1917.
George W. Clark, <sup>1 11</sup> Little Rock, 1899.	Horace Wyman, <sup>1</sup> Bentonville, 1918.
A. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Samuel Henderson, <sup>1</sup> Little Rock, 1919.
W. G. Akers, Little Rock, 1901.	Jacob E. Leas, <sup>1 9</sup> Little Rock, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.  
<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>11</sup> Department commander.

## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10).

[Organized Feb. 21, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 4,838; posts, 92.]

Department commander-----	William H. Noll <sup>1</sup> -----	Los Angeles.
Senior vice department commander-----	S. W. Hopkins <sup>1</sup> -----	Lodi.
Junior vice department commander-----	A. W. Caulkins <sup>1</sup> -----	Mountain View.
Assistant adjutant general-----	James M. Aubery <sup>1</sup> ---	Los Angeles.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Levi Garrett, Kingsburg.  
 W. H. Amos, San Francisco.  
 James H. Riley,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco.  
 C. A. Fuller,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 R. A. Sarle,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco.  
 T. K. Stateler, San Francisco.  
 J. S. Wilson, Los Angeles.  
 Martin L. Guth,<sup>1</sup> Oakland.  
 E. T. Allen, San Francisco.  
 J. C. Lawrence, Pasadena.  
 A. J. Vining, San Francisco.  
 F. E. Wyman,<sup>1</sup> Mountain View.  
 W. M. Sanders,<sup>1</sup> Santa Monica.  
 Jacob F. Force,<sup>1</sup> Pasadena.  
 G. A. Blank,<sup>1</sup> Oakland.  
 S. W. Sutton,<sup>1</sup> Santa Ana.  
 J. A. Osgood,<sup>1</sup> San Madre.

## ALTERNATES.

O. H. Mennet,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 A. E. Potter, Colusa.  
 Wm. A. Huddart, Berkeley.  
 S. H. Enyeart,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles.  
 P. M. Morgan,<sup>1</sup> Clovis.  
 W. W. Murray, Long Beach.  
 W. J. Leiser, Santa Ana.  
 B. B. Paul, San Diego.  
 W. G. Bratton, San Francisco.  
 George Ober,<sup>1</sup> Berkeley.  
 Chas. Reichenbach, San Francisco.  
 S. D. Graves,<sup>1</sup> Long Beach.  
 James H. Rouse,<sup>1</sup> Glendale.  
 T. L. Haines, Turlock.  
 H. L. Judell, San Francisco.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John F. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1867 (Provisional).  
 James Coey,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 W. L. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 W. E. McArthur,<sup>2</sup> 1871-2.  
 W. H. Aiken,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 A. Carlson,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 A. C. Bagley,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 S. W. Backus,<sup>12</sup> San Francisco, 1877.  
 S. P. Ford,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 C. Mason Kinne,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 W. A. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 J. W. Staples,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. H. Warfield,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 W. R. Smedburg,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 E. S. Salomon,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 T. H. Goodman,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Geo. E. Gard,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. J. Buckles,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 W. H. L. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 J. B. Fuller,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 E. C. Seymour, Highlands, 1893.  
 J. M. Walling, Nevada City, 1894.  
 C. E. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 T. C. Masteller,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 N. P. Chipman, San Francisco, 1897.

Sol. Cahen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 A. F. Dill,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Geo. M. Mott, Berkeley, 1900.  
 George Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. G. Hawley,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Wm. R. Shafter,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Chas. T. Rice,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 W. W. Russell, Berkeley, 1905.  
 Wm. C. Alberger, San Francisco, 1906.  
 Wm. G. Waters,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Samuel Merrill, Long Beach, 1908.  
 W. S. Daubenspeck, Los Angeles, 1909.  
 E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, 1910.  
 H. V. Parker, Los Angeles, 1911.  
 W. R. Thomas, Oakland, 1912.  
 G. M. Stormont, Pomona, 1913.  
 B. B. Tuttle, San Francisco, 1914.  
 Hiram P. Thompson, San Diego, 1915.  
 A. E. Leavitt, San Francisco, 1916.  
 C. H. Haskins,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, 1917.  
 John H. Roberts,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 R. C. Martin, Commandant Veterans' Home, 1919.  
 George D. Kellogg,<sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).  
 G. M. Burlingame, Pasadena, 1920.

Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877, transferred from Illinois.  
 W. V. Lucas,<sup>1</sup> Santa Cruz, 1884-1886, transferred from South Dakota.  
 A. V. Cole,<sup>1</sup> Long Beach, 1885, transferred from Nebraska.  
 E. T. Langley, Santa Ana, 1890, transferred from South Dakota.  
 William A. Bentley,<sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from North Dakota.  
 J. J. Steadman, Hollywood, 1892, transferred from Iowa.  
 J. Clyde Millar,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Alabama.  
 J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.



George Hoxworth,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Arizona.  
 O. H. Coulter,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Kansas.  
 M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Utah.  
 Perry H. Manchester, Escondido, 1900, transferred from Montana.  
 A. H. DeGroff, San Jose, 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.  
 James E. Burns,<sup>1</sup> Fresno, 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 John W. Edwards, National Soldiers' Home, 1902, transferred from New Mexico.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard,<sup>1</sup> Santa Cruz, 1902, transferred from South Dakota.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>5 6</sup> San Diego, 1902, transferred from New York.  
 R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
 D. P. Kyle, Los Angeles, 1909, transferred from Arizona.  
 Frank M. Davis, 1904, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 Philip Lawrence, 1900, transferred from South Dakota.  
 George B. Loud, 1911, transferred from New York.

### COLORADO AND WYOMING (21).

[Organized as the Department of Colorado in 1868; reorganized in 1876 as Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado, July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming, Aug. 28, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,321; posts, 48.]

Department commander-----James E. Jewel<sup>1 8</sup>-----Fort Morgan, Colo.  
 Senior vice department commander--Alexander D. Jameson---Golden, Colo.  
 Junior vice department commander--Frank L. Weaver<sup>1</sup>-----Pueblo, Colo.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Marshall S. Crawford<sup>1 8</sup>---Denver, Colo.

#### REPRESENTATIVES.

George H. Young,<sup>1</sup> Evans, Colo.  
 William H. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Boulder, Colo.  
 Dan D. Desmond,<sup>1</sup> Denver, Colo.  
 J. E. Laycock,<sup>1</sup> Colorado Springs, Colo.  
 William Butler, Longmont, Colo.

#### ALTERNATES.

A. H. H. Baxter, La Junta, Colo.  
 Chris F. Heers, Denver, Colo.  
 T. D. Means,<sup>1</sup> Boulder, Colo.  
 Halsey M. Rhoads, Denver, Colo.  
 F. D. Hahnenkraft, Colorado Springs, Colo.

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. J. Bancroft,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Andrew Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 J. W. Donnellan,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 E. K. Stimson,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Byron L. Carr,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. V. Bohn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Henry Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George Ady,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 John W. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thos. J. Fisher,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Delos L. Holden,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Geo. W. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John C. Kennedy,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Myron W. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Nathaniel Rollins,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Nicholas J. O'Brien,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 H. O. Dodge,<sup>1</sup> Boulder, Colo., 1896.  
 U. S. Hollister,<sup>7</sup> 1897.  
 W. T. S. May,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Andrew Royal,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 H. M. Orahood,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Linus E. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 James W. Huff, Goodland, Kans., 1902.

H. S. Vaughn,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Thomas J. Downen,<sup>1</sup> Pueblo, Colo., 1904.  
 George W. Curfman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 L. C. Dana, San Diego, Calif., 1906.  
 R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 H. C. Watson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John W. Wingate, Durango, Colo., 1909.  
 W. W. Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).  
 W. H. McDonald, Grand Junction, Colo., 1910.  
 Dexter T. Sapp,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 H. M. Minor, Rocky Ford, Colo., 1912.  
 C. A. Brooks, Denver, 1913.  
 O. S. Reed, Pueblo, Colo., 1914.  
 F. O. Burdick, Boulder, Colo., 1915.  
 James Moynahan,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 W. H. Comstock, Denver, Colo., 1917.  
 Asa Curl, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1918.  
 Carroll M. Bills, Denver, Colo., 1919.  
 Marshall S. Crawford,<sup>1 9</sup> Denver, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>5</sup> See North Dakota.

<sup>6</sup> See Oklahoma.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

## CONNECTICUT (6).

[Organized Apr. 11, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,342; posts, 56.]

Department commander-----Christian Swartz<sup>1</sup>-----S. Norwalk, Conn.  
 Senior vice department commander---Orrin M. Price<sup>1</sup>-----Norwich, Conn.  
 Junior vice department commander---Wm. F. Sternberg<sup>1</sup>-----New Britain, Conn.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Albert P. Stark<sup>1</sup>-----Bristol, Conn.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

George I. Buxton,<sup>1</sup> Norwalk.  
 David W. Sharpe,<sup>1</sup> New Haven.  
 William G. Renfree,<sup>1</sup> Plainville.  
 Sylvester G. Jerome, Montville.  
 Eugene Davison, Meriden.

## ALTERNATES.

Ira W. Wildman.<sup>1</sup>  
 Chauncey L. Platt, Norwalk.  
**Wm. H. Shaffer, Hartford.**  
 Andrew Gordon, Hazardville.  
 Henry L. Lankton, Wethersfield.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward Harland,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Theodore G. Ellis,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 William H. Mallory,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 L. A. Dickinson,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Charles L. Buckbee,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 William E. Disbrow,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Frank G. Otis, 1878<sup>2</sup> (died in office).  
 Charles E. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 George S. Smith, Norwich, 1880.  
 Alfred B. Beers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Ira E. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Isaac B. Hyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 William Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Frank D. Sloat, New Haven, 1885.  
 John T. Crary,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry E. Taintor,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Samuel B. Horne, Winsted, 1888.  
 William H. Pierpont,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 John C. Broatch,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Henry N. Fanton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Benajah E. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wilbur F. Rogers, Meriden, 1893.  
 Selah G. Blakeman, Derby, 1894.  
 John M. Brewer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

Oscar W. Cornish,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Gustav D. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William E. Simons,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Henry R. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John R. Bucklyn,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Thomas Boudren,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 N. Burton Rogers, Danbury, 1902.  
 Morgan G. Bulkley, Hartford, 1903.  
 William C. Hillard,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Albert A. May,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Virgil F. McNeil, New Haven, 1906.  
 Charles A. Appel,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Edward Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Haven, New London, 1909.  
 Richard J. Cutbill, Norwalk, 1911.  
 William H. Dougal, New Milford, 1912.  
 James R. Sloane,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Fred V. Streeter, New Britain, 1914.  
 Charles Griswold,<sup>1</sup> Guilford, 1915.  
 Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport, 1916.  
 Benjamin H. Cheney, New Haven, 1917.  
 Christian Quien, 1919.  
 Randolph Williamson,<sup>2</sup> Hartford, 1920-21.

## DELAWARE (23).

[Organized Jan. 14, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 180; posts, 12.]

Department commander-----William A. Truitt-----Milford.  
 Senior vice department commander-----Charles Zerbey<sup>1</sup>-----Wilmington.  
 Junior vice department commander-----Nathan L. Henderson-----Wilmington.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----J. S. Litzenberg<sup>1</sup>-----Wilmington.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Wesley E. Boulden,<sup>1</sup> Ruthby.  
 A. J. Rumford, Wilmington.

## ALTERNATES.

William H. Middleton,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington.  
 William H. Worth, Wilmington.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.



## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Wm. S. McNair,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 John Wainwright,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Daniel Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 C. M. Carey,<sup>5</sup> 1884.  
 J. S. Litzenberg,<sup>1-9</sup> Wilmington, 1885.  
 J. M. Dunn,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 J. E. Mowbrey, Dover, 1887.  
 R. G. Buckingham, Newark, 1888.  
 Peter B. Ayars,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Samuel Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. J. Woodman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 G. W. Stradley,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 B. D. Bogia,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. E. Vantine,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 E. F. Wood, Dover, 1895.  
 Wm. B. Norton,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 J. S. Bradley,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Robert Liddell,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1898.  
 Wm. H. Moystin,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Wm. A. Reilly,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington, 1900.

John W. Worrall,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 John C. Garner,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Wm. G. Baugh, sr., Edgemoor P.O., 1903.  
 William Kelley, jr.,<sup>1-8</sup> Wilmington, 1904.  
 William Tharp,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Ira Lunt,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Jesse Hellings, Willow Grove, Pa., 1907.  
 H. W. Perkins, Wilmington, 1908.  
 Wm. H. Blake,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 George C. Morton, Wilmington, 1910.  
 Wm. Mendenhall, Wilmington, 1911.  
 Jesse K. Baylis, Wilmington, 1912.  
 J. Rankin Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 John T. Reihms,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 John P. Riley, Wilmington, 1915.  
 S. Sheward Johnson, Wilmington, 1916.  
 J. T. Alexander, Wilmington, 1917.  
 Orrin J. Cook, Lincoln, 1918.  
 R. H. Williams, Marshalltown, 1919.  
 C. A. W. Frishmuth, Wilmington, 1920.

## FLORIDA (36).

[Organized June 19, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 687; posts, 23.]

Department commander-----	George W. Brown <sup>1</sup> -----	St. Cloud.
Senior vice department commander-----	Samuel Sage-----	Zephyrhills.
Junior vice department commander-----	M. W. Monroe-----	Dade City.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John I. Cummings-----	St. Cloud.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. E. Shaffer,<sup>1</sup> Lakeland.  
 S. T. Hill, St. Petersburg.  
 M. M. Monohan,<sup>1</sup> Tampa.

## ALTERNATES.

J. C. Patterson, Pensacola.  
 W. C. Gleason, Taft.  
 S. S. Fredenbough, Lakeland.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

T. S. Wilmarth, Jacksonville, 1884-85.  
 G. H. Norton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 E. W. Henck, Plainfield, 1887.  
 William James,<sup>10</sup> Jacksonville, 1888.  
 J. W. V. R. Plummer,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Fred S. Goodrich,<sup>13</sup> 1890.  
 John H. Welsh, Miami, 1891.  
 J. De V. Hazzard,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Geo. F. Foote, Washington, D. C., 1893.  
 David L. Way, Jacksonville, 1894.  
 P. E. McMurray,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 L. Y. Jenness,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Chas. M. Ellis, Jacksonville, 1897.  
 Geo. H. Packwood, Tampa, 1898.  
 Edwin Kirby,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 J. S. Fairhead,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 F. G. Parcell,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 S. Herbert Lancy,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 J. F. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1903.

Henry Marcotte, St. Augustine, 1904.  
 Thos. J. Owen,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 William E. Emerson,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Samuel W. Fox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 S. R. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James Skinner, St. Augustine, 1909.  
 James O. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Joseph Bumby,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 William P. Lynch,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Wm. S. Siggins,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Lyman Leighton, St. Petersburg, 1914.  
 James F. Bullard, St. Cloud, 1915.  
 W. H. Melrath,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 John A. Wallace,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 H. B. Jeffries,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Theo. W. B. Brake,<sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).  
 Geo. E. Field, Jacksonville, 1919.  
 Imri A. Spencer, St. Petersburg, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>5</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>13</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

## GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA (41).

[Organized Jan. 25, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920. 114; posts, 8.]

Department commander-----	C. J. Hitch <sup>1</sup> -----	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Senior vice department commander-----	P. Ryan <sup>1</sup> -----	Savannah, Ga.
Junior vice department commander-----	A. M. Crosby <sup>1</sup> -----	Smyrna, Ga.
Assistant adjutant general-----	G. E. Whitman <sup>1 14</sup> -----	Fitzgerald, Ga.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. H. Rimard,<sup>1</sup> Birmingham, Ala.

## ALTERNATES.

William Walpert, Atlanta, Ga.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John R. Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 David Porter,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. E. Sholes,<sup>1</sup> Flushing, N. Y., 1891.  
 Thos. F. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1892-93.  
 C. T. Watson,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 L. B. Nelson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John L. Clem,<sup>12</sup> Washington, D. C., 1896.  
 James P. Averill,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 James O. Ladd, Summerville, S. C., 1898.  
 Alex. Mattison, Atlanta, Ga., 1899.  
 S. A. Darnell,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Lewis Thayer, Fitzgerald, Ga., 1901.  
 W. M. Scott,<sup>10</sup> Atlanta, Ga., 1902.  
 F. D. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James A. Commeford,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Chas. F. Fairbanks,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

Wm. H. Kimball, Tallapoosa, Ga., 1906.  
 O. P. Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Leander Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Chas. R. Haskins, Atlanta, Ga., 1909.  
 S. C. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 F. A. Jones,<sup>1</sup> Tallapoosa, Ga., 1911.  
 C. H. Brooks,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 P. Q. Stoner,<sup>1</sup> Soldiers' Home, California, 1913.  
 I. C. Wade, Cornelia, Ga., 1914.  
 W. B. Todd,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 R. S. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 G. E. Whitman,<sup>1 14</sup> Fitzgerald, 1917.  
 W. P. Randall, Atlanta, 1918.  
 J. M. Mosher,<sup>1</sup> Fitzgerald, 1919.  
 Ira M. Swartz, Portland, Oreg., 1920.

## IDAHO (39).

[Organized Jan. 11, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 356; posts, 17.]

Department commander-----	W. S. Hawkes <sup>1</sup> -----	Caldwell.
Senior vice department commander-----	Wm. Bower-----	Boise.
Junior vice department commander-----	J. M. Gill-----	Boise.
Assistant adjutant general-----	S. H. Russell-----	Boise.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

L. D. Farmin, Sandpoint.  
 J. D. Wentley,<sup>1</sup> Boise.

## ALTERNATES.

J. J. Titus,<sup>1</sup> Nampa.  
 Geo. Gardner, Emmett.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. Nye,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 A. S. Senter,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 W. T. Riley,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Judson Spofford, Boise, 1891.  
 A. O. Ingalls, Murray, 1892.  
 R. H. Barton, Moscow, 1893.  
 T. J. Groome,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 D. H. Budlong,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 J. L. Fuller, Shoshone, 1896.  
 Lindol Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 N. F. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 S. L. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Charles A. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 William C. Maxey,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Geo. M. Parson,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 E. S. Whittier,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 C. F. Drake,<sup>1</sup> Weiser, 1904

Geo A Manning,<sup>2</sup> 1905  
 Alfred Anderson, Boise, 1906  
 A. M. Rowe,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Wm. K. Jameson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Stewart Young, Rathdrum, 1909.  
 Willard White, Boise, 1910.  
 M. W. Wood,<sup>1 15</sup> Boise, 1911.  
 Jas. W. Shields,<sup>1</sup> Twin Falls, 1912.  
 A. G. Nettleton, Nampa, 1913.  
 H. J. Newhouse,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Wm. H. Cable,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 R. H. Barnes, Twin Falls, 1916.  
 Geo. F. Kimery,<sup>1 8</sup> Boise, 1917.  
 F. T. Page, Weiser, 1918.  
 Silas Wilson,<sup>1</sup> Nampa, 1919.  
 John Carr, Coeur d'Alene, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>14</sup> National council of administration; assistant adjutant general.<sup>15</sup> Inspector general.



## ILLINOIS (1).

[Organized Apr. 6, 1866. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 6,868; posts, 326.]

Department commander-----William P. Wright<sup>1</sup>-----Chicago.  
 Senior vice department commander-----Joe Bell-----Galesburg.  
 Junior vice department commander-----W. M. Hanna<sup>1</sup>-----Aurora.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Henry C. Cooke<sup>1</sup>-----Chicago.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. E. Vaughan,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 M. Hulett,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 W. H. H. Peirce,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 Frank J. Rhyner,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 J. B. Thomas,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 William D. Broomhead,<sup>1</sup>  
 E. K. Fassett,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 H. M. Pense,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 J. Carmichael,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.  
 Samuel J. Pope,<sup>1</sup> Libertyville.  
 Samuel Beales,<sup>1</sup> Aurora.  
 J. C. Deegan,<sup>1</sup> Ransom.  
 George H. Sanders,<sup>1</sup> Rochelle.  
 E. M. Robbins, Carthage.  
 Henry C. Turner,<sup>1</sup> Quincy.  
 Aaron Dunbar,<sup>1</sup> Princeton.  
 A. T. Ives,<sup>1</sup> Bloomington.  
 J. P. Bailey,<sup>1</sup> Danville.  
 Daniel B. Culp,<sup>1</sup> Decatur.  
 L. Goheen,<sup>1</sup> Jacksonville.  
 Ed. A. Baxter,<sup>1</sup> Pawnee.  
 J. G. Oulson,<sup>1</sup> Godfrey.  
 D. C. Zimmerman,<sup>1</sup> Vandalia.  
 W. J. Libberton,<sup>1</sup> Chicago.

## ALTERNATES.

J. W. Latimer, Chicago.  
 J. L. Dannenhower, Chicago.  
 Wm. Metzger, Chicago.  
 E. R. Lewis, Chicago.  
 Charles Smith, Chicago.  
 Henry Barnard, Chicago.  
 Gilbert R. Tucker, Chicago.  
 E. A. Cummings, Chicago.  
 S. M. Titus, Chicago.  
 R. N. Peterson, Chicago.  
 F. H. Hotz, Aurora.  
 C. T. Marsh, Rockford.  
 George A. Brown, Oregon.  
 W. H. Hamlin, Macomb.  
 D. S. Hecker, Galesburg.  
 B. C. Bryner, Peoria.  
 Geo. W. Hiser, Lexington.  
 Johnson Gammel, Danville.  
 J. B. Nowlin, Farmer City.  
 Ed. Penstone, Griggsville.  
 John Underfanger, Springfield.  
 H. A. Prable, Alton.  
 J. T. Cunningham, Centralia.  
 Geo. W. Huntoon, Waukegan.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

B. F. Stephenson,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 John M. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1866-68.  
 Charles E. Lippincott,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 Guy T. Gould,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 H. Hillard,<sup>2</sup> 1874-76.  
 Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 T. B. Coulter, Canon City, Colo., 1878.  
 Edgar D. Swain,<sup>2</sup> 1879-80.  
 J. W. Burst,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Thomas G. Lawler,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Samuel A. Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 L. T. Dickason,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 W. W. Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Philip Sidney Post,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 A. C. Sweetser,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 James A. Sexton,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 James S. Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 William L. Distin,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Horace S. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Edwin Harlan,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Edward A. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 H. H. McDowell,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 William H. Powell,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 W. G. Cochran,<sup>1</sup> Sullivan, Ill., 1896.

A. L. Schimpff,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 John C. Black,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John B. Inman,<sup>1,8</sup> Springfield, Ill., 1899.  
 J. M. Longnecker,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 N. B. Thistlewood,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 H. M. Trimble,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Benson Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Robert Mann Woods,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 John C. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Edwin H. Buck,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 A. C. Mathews,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Joseph Rosenbaum,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Philip C. Hayes,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 James A. Connolly,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 C. C. Duffy,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas H. Gault,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 J. H. Crowder,<sup>1</sup> Bethany, Ill., 1913.  
 Samuel Fallows,<sup>1</sup> Chicago, Ill., 1914.  
 John M. Snyder, Canton, Ill., 1915.  
 W. F. Calhoun,<sup>1</sup> Decatur, Ill., 1916.  
 C. S. Bentley,<sup>1</sup> LaGrange, 1917.  
 Joseph W. Fifer, Bloomington, 1918.  
 Henry D. Fulton,<sup>1</sup> Chicago, 1919.  
 Edwin N. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1920.

Milton Stewart, Chicago, 1885, transferred from Kansas.

Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Indiana.<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

## INDIANA (20).

[Organized Aug. 20, 1866. Reorganized Oct. 3, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 5,949; posts, 220.]

Department commander \_\_\_\_\_ Richard H. Tyner<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Newcastle.  
 Senior vice department commander \_\_\_ Z. T. Landers<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Indianapolis.  
 Junior vice department commander \_\_\_ D. L. Beaber<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Fort Wayne.  
 Assistant adjutant general \_\_\_\_\_ Albert J. Ball<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Indianapolis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. C. Schreeder,<sup>1</sup> Evansville.  
 J. T. Carpenter,<sup>1</sup> Princeton.  
 Thomas Wirt,<sup>1</sup> Odon.  
 Louis Bir,<sup>1</sup> New Albany.  
 Watson Bostic,<sup>1</sup> Greensburg.  
 W. F. Kendall,<sup>1</sup> Columbus.  
 H. P. Dorsett,<sup>1</sup> Greencastle.  
 J. F. Davenport,<sup>1</sup> Richmond.  
 Charles Chappell,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 I. S. Wagner,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis.  
 A. J. Harris,<sup>1</sup> Union City.  
 E. S. Fisher,<sup>1</sup> Bluffton.  
 T. R. Caldwell,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon.  
 I. T. Huckleberry,<sup>1</sup> Zionsville.  
 George Bringham,<sup>1</sup> Lafayette.  
 L. Ross,<sup>1</sup> Lafayette.  
 James P. Ross,<sup>1</sup> Wabash.  
 Charles E. Hale,<sup>1</sup> Logansport.  
 William Engle,<sup>1</sup> Fort Wayne.  
 H. A. Root,<sup>1</sup> Michigan City.  
 John C. Gordon,<sup>1</sup> Argos.

## ALTERNATES.

William L. Heiskell, Indianapolis.  
 J. W. Spain Evansville.  
 William Brewer, Worthington.  
 John Marsh, New Albany.  
 Thomas Day, Versailles.  
 Henry Short, Greensburg.  
 Oscar Rankin, Terre Haute.  
 T. B. Wilkinson, Knightstown.  
 Robert Clark, Indianapolis.  
 W. D. Wilson, Indianapolis.  
 James Werking, Anderson.  
 Henry Deselmo, Winchester.  
 Solomon Burkett, Kokomo.  
 John H. Cox, Sheridan.  
 D. E. Bedford, Lafayette.  
 Solomon Penrod, Lafayette.  
 J. A. Clevenger, North Manchester.  
 William J. Abbott, Liberty Mills.  
 William Riddle, Kendalville.  
 Charles Larimore, Knox.  
 Samuel Heininger, Elkhart.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Robert S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1866-68.  
 Nathan Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Oliver M. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Louis Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Jonathan B. Hager,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Samuel E. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William W. Dudley,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James R. Carnahan,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Edwin Nicar, South Bend, 1884.  
 David N. Foster,<sup>1</sup> Fort Wayne, 1885.  
 Thomas W. Bennett,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Ira J. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Argus D. Vanosdol,<sup>1</sup> Madison, 1888.  
 Chas. M. Travis,<sup>2 19</sup> 1889.  
 Gil R. Stormont,<sup>1</sup> 1890, commandant  
     S. S. Home, Lafayette.  
 Ivan N. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Joseph B. Cheadle,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 James T. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Albert O. Marsh,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Harvey B. Shively,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Henry M. Caylor,<sup>1</sup> Noblesville, 1896.  
 James S. Dodge, Elkhart, 1897.  
 Daniel Ryan,<sup>1</sup> Morristown, 1898.

William L. Dunlap,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 David E. Beem,<sup>1</sup> Spencer, 1900.  
 Milton Garrigus,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Benjamin Starr,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 George W. Grubbs, Martinsville, 1903.  
 Daniel R. Lucas,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Marine D. Tackett,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Edmund R. Brown,<sup>1</sup> Winamac, 1906.  
 William A. Ketcham,<sup>1 16</sup> Indianapolis.  
     1907.  
 John D. Alexander,<sup>1</sup> Springville, 1908.  
 Orlando A. Somers,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Alexander P. Asbury,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Daniel Waugh,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Frank Swigart,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office)  
 Wilber E. Gorsuch,<sup>1</sup> South Bend, 1912.  
 Daniel W. Comstock,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 A. B. Crampton,<sup>1 17</sup> 1914.  
 Lewis King, Columbus,<sup>1</sup> 1915.  
 V. V. Williams,<sup>1</sup> Bedford, 1916.  
 Samuel M. Hench, Fort Wayne, 1917.  
 Alonzo Murphy,<sup>1</sup> Greensburg, 1918.  
 William F. Medsker,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 Robt. W. McBride,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>16</sup> Commander in chief.<sup>17</sup> See Wisconsin.<sup>19</sup> See Illinois.



## IOWA (19).

[Organized Sept. 26, 1866. Reorganized Jan. 23, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920  
4,930; posts, 254.]

Department commander-----	J. B. Harsh <sup>1</sup> -----	Creston.
Senior vice department commander-----	T. F. Shannon <sup>1</sup> -----	Waterloo.
Junior vice department commander-----	W. A. Abbott <sup>1</sup> -----	Des Moines.
Assistant adjutant general-----	J. Z. Benson <sup>1</sup> -----	Marshalltown P. O. Des Moines.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

W. W. Gist,<sup>1</sup> Cedar Falls.  
W. C. Saunders,<sup>1</sup> Wapello.  
A. M. Taylor, Farmington.  
S. E. Walcott,<sup>1</sup> Davenport.  
G. W. Bothwell,<sup>1</sup> Waterloo.  
Chas. M. Adams, Mason City.  
C. H. Wickersham,<sup>1</sup> Marshalltown.  
J. S. Nichols,<sup>1</sup> Oskaloosa.  
John Anderson,<sup>1</sup> Winterset.  
E. H. Scales,<sup>1</sup> Corydon.  
C. A. Knight,<sup>1</sup> Mt. Ayr.  
C. Teeman,<sup>1</sup> Villisca.  
James Cowdy,<sup>1</sup> Stuart.  
J. R. White,<sup>1</sup> Webster City.  
S. C. Spear,<sup>1</sup> Algona.  
W. S. Freeman,<sup>1</sup> Lemars.  
J. C. McCoy,<sup>1</sup> Spencer.

## ALTERNATES.

D. A. Boyer, Washington.  
W. F. Gilbert, Burlington.  
J. M. Corwin, Farmington.  
John Koehler, Muscatine.  
E. L. Sweet,<sup>1</sup> Manchester.  
J. J. Earle, West Union.  
David Clark, Traer.  
John C. Slaughter, Ottumwa.  
J. H. Shammo, Nevada.  
J. M. Gudgel,<sup>1</sup> Shenandoah.  
John Noble, New Market.  
Sidney Pitt, Logan.  
Geo. W. Pierce, Red Oak.  
I. N. Stotts, Boone.  
Fred Bauer, Webster City.  
M. W. Gardner, Sioux City.  
W. S. C. King, Sioux City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Parrott,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
A. A. Perkins,<sup>2</sup> 1876-78.  
H. E. Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
W. F. Conrad,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
Peter V. Carey, Des Moines, 1881.  
George B. Hogin,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
John B. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
E. G. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
W. R. Manning,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
W. A. McHenry, Denison, 1886.  
J. M. Tuttle,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
E. A. Consigny,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
Chas. H. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Mason P. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Chas. L. Davidson,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
J. J. Steadman,<sup>7</sup> Los Angeles, Calif.,  
1892.  
Phil Schaller,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
Geo. A. Newman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
J. K. P. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
Josiah Given,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
A. H. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
R. W. Tirrell, Manchester, 1898.

C. F. Bailey, Barney, N. Dak., 1899.  
M. B. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
George Metzger, Davenport, 1901.  
John Lindt,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
L. B. Raymond,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
R. T. St. John, Riceville, 1904.  
S. H. Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
C. A. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
D. J. Palmer,<sup>1 18</sup> Washington, 1907.  
J. C. Milliman, Logan, 1908.  
M. McDonald,<sup>1</sup> Bayard, 1909.  
H. A. Dyer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
Lot Abraham,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
J. D. Brown, Leon, 1912.  
J. W. Willett,<sup>1 8</sup> Tama, 1913.  
Byron C. Ward, Des Moines, 1914.  
John E. Merry,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
John H. Mills,<sup>1</sup> Redfield, 1916.  
J. L. Farrington,<sup>1</sup> Iowa Falls, 1917.  
E. J. C. Bealer, Cedar Rapids, 1918.  
A. G. Beatty,<sup>1</sup> Independence, 1919.  
R. L. Chase,<sup>1</sup> Des Moines, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>18</sup> Past commandar in chief.

## KANSAS (22).

[Organized Dec. 7, 1866. Reorganized Mar. 16, 1880. Membership Dec. 31, 1920, 4,637 ; posts, 255.]

Department commander-----	George P. Washburn <sup>1</sup> -----	Ottawa.
Senior vice department commander---	E. W. Bowman <sup>1</sup> -----	Wichita.
Junior vice department commander---	W. B. Rhodes-----	Manhattan.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Jas. S. Forgey <sup>1</sup> -----	Topeka.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. G. Hanna,<sup>1</sup> Hiawatha.  
 D. Byington,<sup>1</sup> Leavenworth.  
 E. S. Kirkpatrick, Wellsville.  
 J. H. Osborne,<sup>1</sup> Humboldt.  
 George J. Abbott,<sup>1</sup> Fredonia.  
 J. A. Dickey,<sup>1</sup> Chanute.  
 R. D. Crow,<sup>1</sup> Peabody.  
 J. W. Gray,<sup>1</sup> Council Grove.  
 W. T. Short,<sup>1</sup> Concordia.  
 W. H. Smith, Maryville.  
 W. H. Hollingshead,<sup>1</sup> Norton.  
 Wesley Harbison,<sup>1</sup> Jewell.  
 R. H. Clearwater,<sup>1</sup> Hutchinson.  
 L. N. Wilson,<sup>1</sup> Ness City.  
 Fred Jackson,<sup>1</sup> McPherson.  
 S. M. Dick,<sup>1</sup> Wellington.

## ALTERNATES.

W. J. Stagg, Topeka.  
 G. Kinzie, Hiawatha.  
 F. D. Woodward, Leavenworth (N. M. H.)  
 M. R. Harris, Ottawa.  
 A. L. Lamb, Parsons.  
 J. A. Boutell, Howard.  
 George Plumb, Emporia.  
 J. H. Harvey, Emporia.  
 B. F. Peeler<sup>1</sup>, Salina.  
 J. Haynes, Courtland.  
 A. B. Oyler, Norton.  
 Joseph Woodcock, Mankato.  
 J. E. Holmes, Hutchinson.  
 M. G. Davidson, Nickerson.  
 Frank Tate, Wellington.  
 Joe Witchright, Wellington.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John A. Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 John C. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 W. S. Jenkins,<sup>2 4</sup> 1872-73.  
 Stephen A. Cobb,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 John Guthrie,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 J. H. Gilpatrick,<sup>2</sup> 1877-78.  
 J. C. Walkinshaw,<sup>2</sup> 1879-82.  
 Thomas J. Anderson,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Homer W. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Milton J. Stewart,<sup>10</sup> Chicago, Ill., 1885.  
 C. J. McDivitt,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 T. H. Soward,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 J. W. Feighan,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Henry Booth,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Ira F. Collins, Sabetha, 1890.  
 Timothy McCarthy,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Bernard Kelley, Topeka, 1892.  
 A. R. Green,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 W. P. Campbell,<sup>1</sup> Wichita, 1894.  
 John P. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 W. C. Whitney,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Theo. Botkin,<sup>2</sup> 1897.

D. W. Eastman,<sup>2 6</sup> 1898.  
 O. H. Coulter,<sup>2 7</sup> 1899.  
 W. W. Martin, National Military Home, 1900.  
 J. B. Remington,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 H. C. Loomis,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Abraham W. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Charles Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 P. H. Coney,<sup>1</sup> Topeka, 1905-06.  
 R. A. Campbell,<sup>1</sup> Hutchinson, 1907.  
 W. A. Morgan,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Joel H. Rickel,<sup>1</sup> Chanute, 1909.  
 Nathan E. Harmon,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 T. P. Anderson,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. N. Harrison, Topeka, 1912-13.  
 Ira D. Brougher,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 C. A. Meek, Wichita, 1915.  
 R. M. Painter, Meade, 1916.  
 A. C. Pierce,<sup>1</sup> Junction City, 1917.  
 W. W. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Theodore Gardner, Lawrence, 1919.  
 Joseph A. Walter,<sup>1</sup> Great Bend, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> See Missouri.<sup>6</sup> See Oklahoma.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>10</sup> See Illinois.



KENTUCKY (27).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 485; posts, 54.]

Department commander-----	Jacob Seibert <sup>1</sup> -----	Louisville.
Senior vice department commander---	E. F. Tucker <sup>1</sup> -----	Greensburg.
Junior vice department commander---	E. W. Chenolt <sup>1</sup> -----	Lexington.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John Barr <sup>1</sup> -----	Lebanon.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Wm. G. Stewart, <sup>1</sup> Frankfort.	John Talbert, Winchester.
John T. English, <sup>1</sup> Prospect.	W. H. Foster, <sup>1</sup> Owensboro.
Jesse H. Green, Dayton.	A. L. Scudder, Covington.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Michie, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	John Blaes, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
W. H. Harton, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	T. F. Beyland, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
George W. Northrup, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	W. G. Foree, <sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, Ind., 1903.
Thos. Z. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William T. Bausmith, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
William Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Bernard Mathews, <sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1905.
Orrin A. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	George T. Grinstead, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Vincent Boreing, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Le Vant Dodge, <sup>1 10</sup> Berea, 1907-8.
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	R. B. Hewetson, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Samuel G. Hillis, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Sanford D. Van Pelt, Danville, 1910.
Edward H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Charles C. Degman, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
T. Edward Livezey, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	John Barr, <sup>1 9</sup> Lebanon, 1912.
Daniel O'Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	W. J. L. Hughes, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Robert M. Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Edwin Farley, Paducah, 1914.
Americus Whedon, <sup>1 8</sup> Washington, D. C. 1896.	John T. Gunn, Lexington, 1915.
Andrew J. Tharp, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	Sam D. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
J. W. Hammond, <sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1898.	J. R. Howard, <sup>1</sup> Lexington, 1917.
Joseph H. Browning, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	T. A. Casey, <sup>1</sup> Dayton, 1918.
L. M. Drye, <sup>1</sup> Bradfordsville, 1900.	Andrew Offutt, Lebanon, 1919.
	M. H. Davidson, <sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1920.

LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI (35).

[Organized as the Department of the Gulf, May 15, 1884. Changed to Louisiana and Mississippi, June 13, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 239; posts, 23.]

Department commander-----	Lewis Herman-----	New Orleans, La.
Senior vice department commander---	Jules Narcis-----	New Orleans, La.
Junior vice department commander---	John Wright <sup>1</sup> -----	Vicksburg, Miss.
Assistant adjutant general-----	O. Pilman <sup>1</sup> -----	New Orleans, La.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Basile Ulgere, <sup>1 8</sup> New Orleans, La.	Prosperre Serean, Gretna, La.
Clayton Augustus, Vicksburg, Miss.	Chas. Desho, New Orleans, La.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William Roy, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	P. H. Boyle, <sup>2</sup> 1906-7.
J. W. Scully, <sup>2 7</sup> 1885.	James Lewis, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
A. S. Badger, <sup>2</sup> 1888-89.	J. A. Brookshire, <sup>1</sup> Beaumont, Tex., 1909.
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	E. K. Russ, <sup>10</sup> Gulfport, Miss., 1910-1915.
Chas. W. Keating, <sup>2</sup> 1894-1899, 1902-1904.	E. T. Gipson, <sup>2</sup> 1916-1918.
F. C. Antoine, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	H. N. Singleton, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Paul Bruce, <sup>1</sup> New Orleans, 1901.	John Pierce, New Orleans, La., 1920.
J. S. Davidson, New Orleans, 1905.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See Georgia and South Carolina.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

## MAINE (9).

[Organized Jan. 10, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,580; posts, 102.]

Department commander	-----	Edward A. Butler <sup>1</sup>	-----	Rockland.
Senior vice department commander	---	George E. Gay <sup>1</sup>	-----	Augusta.
Junior vice department commander	---	George O. D. Soule	-----	Portland.
Assistant adjutant general	-----	Fred A. Motley <sup>1</sup>	-----	Portland.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Thomas N. Ayer,<sup>1</sup> Alna.  
 John Manroe,<sup>1</sup> Mechanic Falls.  
 A. H. Pratt, Howes Corner.  
 George W. Smith, Walnut Hill.  
 M. C. Morrill, Gray.  
 A. W. Gray,<sup>1</sup> Brownfield.  
 Knowles Bangs.<sup>1</sup>

## ALTERNATES.

O. F. Glidden, Portland.  
 Joseph Raynes, Yarmouthville.  
 S. E. Yates,<sup>1</sup> Calais.  
 J. E. Thompson, Westbrook.  
 James S. Wood, Dover.  
 Alphonzo Rollins,<sup>1</sup><sup>s</sup> Portland.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George L. Beal,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 Charles P. Mattocks,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Daniel White,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Seldon Connor,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 Nelson Howard,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 John D. Myrick,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Augustus C. Hamlin,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Windsor B. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Isaac S. Bangs,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William G. Haskell,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Augustus B. Farnham,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Elisha M. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Benjamin Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 James A. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Samuel W. Lane,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Richard K. Gatley,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Horace H. Burbank,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Franklin M. Drew, Lewiston, 1889.  
 John D. Anderson, Bray, 1890.  
 Samuel D. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Isaac Dyer,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wainwright Cushing,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. Wesley Gilman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 William H. Green,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Lorenzo D. Carver,<sup>2</sup> 1896.

Leroy T. Carleton, Winthrop, 1897.  
 Charles A. Southard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Frederick Robie,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Seth T. Snipe,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 William Z. Clayton, Bangor, 1901.  
 James L. Merrick,<sup>1</sup> Waterville, 1902.  
 Joshua L. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Edwin C. Milliken,<sup>12</sup> Portland, 1904.  
 Henry O. Perry,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Frederick S. Walls,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Frank F. Goss,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Woodbury K. Dana, Westbrook, 1908.  
 Augustus W. McCausland,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 John W. Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Edwin Riley,<sup>1</sup> Livermore Falls, 1911.  
 William H. Holston, Cumberland Mills,  
 1912.  
 John F. Lamb,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Thomas S. Benson, Sidney, 1914.  
 Simon S. Andrews, Biddeford, 1915.  
 Tobias L. Eastman, Fryeberg, 1916.  
 John Quincy Adams, Houlton, 1917.  
 Fred A. Motley,<sup>1</sup><sup>9</sup> Portland, 1918.  
 George W. Goulding, Oakland, 1919.  
 Henry E. Merriam, Gardiner, 1920.

## MARYLAND (16).

[Organized Jan. 8, 1868. Reorganized June 9, 1876. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 774; posts, 44.]

Department commander	-----	George T. Leech <sup>1</sup>	-----	Baltimore.
Senior vice department commander	---	George B. Boutelle <sup>1</sup>	-----	Baltimore.
Junior vice department commander	---	Joshua Thomas <sup>1</sup>	-----	Hagerstown.
Assistant adjutant general	-----	Robert C. Sunstrom <sup>1</sup>	-----	Baltimore.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John H. Brandt,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 George F. Fisher,<sup>1</sup> Hagerstown.  
 Thomas Weatherstine,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.  
 James T. Mitchell,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore.

## ALTERNATES.

None given.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>s</sup> National council of administration.<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.



## MARYLAND—Continued.

## \*PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Andrew W. Dennison,<sup>2</sup> 1867-8-9.  
 E. W. Goldsborough,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 E. T. Daneker,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1871.  
 Adam E. King,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 E. B. Tyler,<sup>2</sup> 1876-7-8.  
 W. E. Griffith,<sup>21</sup> 1879.  
 W. E. W. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 Graham Dukehart, Baltimore, 1882.  
 John Suter,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frank M. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John W. Horn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Geo. W. F. Vernon, Baltimore, 1886.  
 Henry P. Underhill,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Theodore F. Lang,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Geo. F. Wheeler,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1889.  
 George R. Graham,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Joseph C. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Wallace A. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Frank Nolen,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Myron I. Rose,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Oliver A. Horner,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 A. S. Cooper,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 George W. Johnson, 1897.

David L. Stanton,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Lewis M. Zimmerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John R. King,<sup>1 18</sup> Baltimore, 1900.  
 John G. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 John W. Worth,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 William Stahl,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James Campbell, Barton, 1904.  
 Richard N. Bowerman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>1</sup> Upperco, 1906.  
 Fred C. Tarr,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Robt. C. Sunstrom,<sup>1 9</sup> Baltimore, 1908.  
 Benjamin F. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Wm. J. Vannort,<sup>1</sup> Chestertown, 1910.  
 John T. Holmes,<sup>1</sup> Baltimore, 1911.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>1 20</sup> 1912.  
 Charles N. Emich, Baltimore, 1913.  
 Albert K. Young,<sup>1</sup> Bridgeton, N. J., 1914.  
 Joseph Brooks, Baltimore, 1915.  
 James E. Van Sant, Ellicott City, 1916.  
 E. Walter Giles, Baltimore, 1917-18.  
 George T. Leech,<sup>1 11</sup> Baltimore, 1919-20.

## MASSACHUSETTS (7).

[Organized May 7, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 5,356; posts, 190.]

Department commander-----	Edwin F. Morrill <sup>1</sup> -----	Everett.
Senior vice department commander---	Henry Clark <sup>1</sup> -----	Cambridge.
Junior vice department commander---	George W. Pratt-----	Stoughton.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Philip A. Nordell <sup>1</sup> -----	Boston.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. B. Pierce, Natick.  
 Joseph Bowers,<sup>1</sup> Fall River.  
 John H. Lawrence,<sup>1</sup> New Bedford.  
 Edward Mottau, Brockton.  
 Henry A. Monk, Braintree.  
 Wm. J. Hargraves,<sup>1</sup> West Roxbury.  
 Albion P. Peace, Boston.  
 Edward G. Winchester,<sup>1</sup> Gloucester.  
 J. Frank Dalton, Salem.  
 Eugene M. Libbey, Lynn.  
 John Flood,<sup>1</sup> Newton.  
 James Beatty, Waltham.  
 George Rouillard,<sup>1</sup> Beachmont.  
 Wm. H. Hinman, North Brookfield.  
 Albert McCausland,<sup>1</sup> Fitchburg.  
 Charles E. Morey,<sup>1</sup> Worcester.  
 John W. Fairbanks, Wesbury.  
 Edwin S. Witherell,<sup>1</sup> Springfield.  
 John P. Thompson,<sup>1</sup> Northampton.

## ALTERNATES.

James Arrington,<sup>1</sup> Salem.  
 Henri Batchelder,<sup>1</sup> Everett.  
 John E. Bronson,<sup>1</sup> East Dedham.  
 Edward E. Brown,<sup>1</sup> Weymouth.  
 William E. Carleton,<sup>1</sup> Newburyport.  
 George A. J. Colgin,<sup>1</sup> Dorchester.  
 Julius A. Fitts,<sup>1</sup> Medfield.  
 Benj. A. Ham,<sup>1</sup> Dorchester.  
 Henry A. Kellogg,<sup>1</sup> Everett.  
 Oscar E. Preston,<sup>1</sup> Acton.  
 William H. Benjamin, Watertown.  
 Aug. S. Trowbridge, Framingham.  
 Sumner Holmes, North Brookfield.  
 George M. Greene, Milford.  
 Melvin H. Walker, Westboro.  
 George W. Corey, Southbridge.  
 Henry H. Hoisington, Springfield.  
 George J. Montgomery, North Adams.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>11</sup> Department commander.<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.<sup>20</sup> Department commander in 1906<sup>21</sup> Transferred.

## MASSACHUSETTS—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Austin S. Cushman, <sup>2</sup> 1866–67.	Joseph W. Thayer, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
A. B. R. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	William P. Derby, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
Francis A. Osborn, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	John M. Deane, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
James L. Bates, <sup>2</sup> 1870.	William H. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
William Cogswell, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	John E. Gilman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
Henry R. Sibley, <sup>23</sup> 1872.	Peter D. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
Adin B. Underwood, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Silas A. Barton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
John W. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	W. W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	Dwight O. Judd, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Horace B. Sargent, <sup>2</sup> 1876–78.	Lucius Field, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	James H. Wolff, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
John A. Hawes, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	J. Payson Bradley, Boston, 1906.
George W. Creasy, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Daniel H. L. Gleason, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
George H. Patch, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Alfred S. Roe, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
George S. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	John L. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
John D. Billings, Allston, 1884.	J. Willard Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).
John W. Hersey, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Granville C. Fiske, Ashland, 1910–11.
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Geo. A. Hosley, <sup>1 22</sup> Chester, N. H., 1912.
Charles D. Nash, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Thomas J. Ames, Leominster, 1913.
Myron P. Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	John M. Woods, Somerville, 1914.
George L. Goodale, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Alfred H. Knowles, Arlington, 1915.
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Francis E. Mole, Adams, 1916.
Arthur A. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Daniel E. Denny, Worcester, 1917.
James K. Churchill, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Edwin P. Stanley, Manchester, 1918.
Eli W. Hall, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	George W. Wilder, Boston, 1919.
Wilfred A. Wetherbee, <sup>1 8</sup> Boston, 1894.	Horace Goodwin, Westfield, 1920.

## MICHIGAN (18).

[Organized May 6, 1868. Reorganized Jan. 22, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 4,000 ; posts, 212.]

Department commander	J. J. Holmes <sup>1</sup>	Eaton Rapids.
Senior vice department commander	E. A. Jemmings	Flint.
Junior vice department commander	George D. Freeman <sup>1</sup>	Detroit.
Assistant adjutant general	Henry Spaulding <sup>1</sup>	Lansing.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. R. Stephenson,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.  
A. L. Sawyer,<sup>1</sup> Detroit.  
C. G. Drake,<sup>1</sup> Adrian.  
J. A. Todd,<sup>1</sup> Kalamazoo.  
W. A. Preston,<sup>1</sup> St. Joseph.  
Kommer Esvald,<sup>1</sup> Grand Rapids.  
John Davidson,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
Lavant Carter, Lapeer.  
William G. Miner, Portland.  
M. D. Richardson,<sup>1</sup> Lansing.  
Charles Housch,<sup>1</sup> Bay City.  
John G. Berry,<sup>1</sup> Gaylord.  
W. H. Mason,<sup>1</sup> Hancock.  
Robert Morris, Detroit.

## ALTERNATES.

Frank McPhillips, Saginaw.  
C. B. Andrews,<sup>1</sup> Redford.  
James Sutton,<sup>1</sup> Jackson.  
George W. Downey, Kalamazoo.  
John Seel, Benton Harbor.  
John Barrett, Grand Rapids.  
John Begg, Flint.  
A. L. Bryant, Lansing.  
William McNitt, Saginaw.  
A. A. Miner, Luther.  
L. T. Loveless, Big Rapids.  
A. Van Auken, Vanderbilt.  
Court Moore, Marquette.  
Freeman A. Pierce, Detroit.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>22</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.<sup>23</sup> Honorably discharged from order



MICHIGAN—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

R. A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> 1867 (provisional).	Ethel M. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
William A. Throop, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	James Van Kleeck, Bay City, 1901.
William Humphrey, <sup>2</sup> 1869–70.	Edward C. Anthony, <sup>1</sup> Negaunee, 1902.
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> 1878–79.	D. B. K. Van Raalts, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
A. T. McReynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	George H. Hopkins, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Byron R. Pierce, Grand Rapids, 1881–82.	E. C. Cannon, <sup>1</sup> Evart, 1905.
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>10</sup> Detroit, 1883.	Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Rush J. Shank, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	William Jibb, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Charles D. Long, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Charles E. Foote, <sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).
John Northwood, New Lothrop, 1886.	George L. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
L. G. Rutherford, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	James M. Greenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Washington Gardner, <sup>18</sup> Albion, 1888.	Samuel J. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Michael Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	George W. Stone, Battle Creek, 1911.
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John T. Spillane, Detroit, 1912.
Charles L. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Frank R. Chase, Smyrna, 1913.
Henry S. Dean, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Riley L. Jones, Detroit, 1914.
James H. Kidd, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Henry C. Rankin, <sup>2</sup> 1915 (died in office).
Louis Kanitz, <sup>1</sup> Muskegon, 1894.	Eli Strong, <sup>1</sup> Kalamazoo, 1915.
S. B. Daboll, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	L. H. Ives, <sup>1</sup> Mason, 1916.
William Shakespeare, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	William O. Lee, Port Huron, 1917.
Aaron T. Bliss, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	David S. Howard, Pontiac, 1918.
Alex Patrick, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Edwin F. Lamb, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, 1919.
Russell R. Pealer, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Henry Spaulding, <sup>9</sup> Lansing, 1920.

MINNESOTA (24).

[Organized Aug. 14, 1867. Reorganized Aug. 17, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,836; posts, 126.]

Department commander	S. W. Powell <sup>1</sup>	Stillwater.
Senior vice department commander	H. A. Read <sup>1</sup>	Wasica.
Junior vice department commander	Wm. H. Jones	Windom.
Assistant adjutant general	Daniel J. Dodge <sup>1</sup>	Minneapolis.

REPRESENTATIVES.

F. M. Shook,<sup>1</sup> Aitkin.  
C. R. Wilkinson,<sup>1</sup> Newport.  
H. W. Garfield,<sup>1</sup> Wadena.  
P. D. Winship,<sup>1</sup> Park Rapids.  
F. J. Carr,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis.  
W. H. Harrison,<sup>1</sup> Duluth.  
Geo. E. Sloan, Owatonna.

ALTERNATES.

M. H. Cole, Fairbault.  
H. P. Edwards, Fairmont.  
John Kimball, Duluth.  
C. H. Smith, Pipestone.  
Moses Emery, Caledonia.  
W. S. Whitman, St. Paul.  
C. H. Robinson, Minneapolis.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry G. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	John Day Smith, Minneapolis, 1893.
Henry A. Castle, <sup>2</sup> 1872–73–74.	Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>18</sup> Minneapolis, 1894.
George H. Johnston, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Ell Torrance, <sup>1 18</sup> Minneapolis, 1895.
Adam Marty, St. Paul, 1881–82.	J. J. McCardy, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	E. B. Wood, Long Prairie, 1897.
E. C. Babb, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	E. W. Mortimer, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
R. A. Becker, St. Paul, 1885.	D. B. Searle, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
William Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Gideon S. Ives, St. Paul, 1900.
L. L. Wheelock, <sup>2</sup>	Wm. H. Harries, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
James H. Ege, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Perry Starkweather, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
Alphonso Barto, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Isaac L. Mahan, St. Paul, 1903.
James Compton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Harrison White, Minneapolis, 1904.
Charles D. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	C. F. MacDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
L. M. Lange, Cass Lake, 1892.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

## MINNESOTA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Levi Longfellow,<sup>1 8</sup> Minneapolis, 1906.  
 Geo. A. Whitney,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Marcus W. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Loren W. Collins,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Philip G. Woodward,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 J. A. Everett,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Wm. P. Roberts, Minneapolis, 1912.  
 Chas. H. Taylor, Long Prairie, 1913.

Chas. H. Hopkins, Fairfax, 1914.  
 Watson W. Hall, St. Paul, 1915.  
 Chas. Van Campen,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Silas H. Towler,<sup>1 10</sup> Minneapolis, 1917.  
 Edwin F. Kenrick, St. Paul, 1918.  
 J. D. Budd, Duluth, 1919.  
 J. A. Town, Worthington, 1920.

## MISSOURI. (25)

[Organized May 16, 1867. Reorganized Apr. 22, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 2,765; posts, 136.]

Department commander	-----	A. J. P. Barnes <sup>1</sup>	-----	Joplin.
Senior vice department commander	---	A. N. Seaber <sup>1</sup>	-----	Jefferson City.
Junior vice department commander	---	James Kinney	-----	Albany.
Assistant adjutant general	-----	Wilbur F. Henry <sup>1</sup>	-----	St. Louis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Allan J. Showers,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis.  
 Nich Mathias,<sup>1</sup> Moberly.  
 Wm. H. Sherman,<sup>1</sup> St. Joseph.  
 John Hack,<sup>1</sup> Trenton.  
 B. F. Lutnam,<sup>1</sup> Jefferson City.  
 G. W. Edwards,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis.  
 W. H. H. Gillespie,<sup>1</sup> Bethany.  
 Charles Kooek,<sup>1</sup> Sedalia.  
 Jacob Stephens,<sup>1</sup> Eldon.  
 Theophile Dubrouillet,<sup>1</sup> Linn.

## ALTERNATES.

J. B. Cashion, Perryville.  
 Henry Phelps, Joplin.  
 Max Fritz, St. Louis.  
 G. W. Carmichael, St. Louis.  
 Joseph Litteneker, St. Louis.  
 Arnold Bowers, St. Louis.  
 O. B. Lingle, Cameron.  
 T. J. Dockery, Kirksville.  
 Franklin Hudson, Kansas City.  
 N. DeWitte, Darlington.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 W. F. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Nelson Cole,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 E. E. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Hiram Smith,<sup>2</sup> jr., 1888.  
 John E. Phelps, 1889. Transferred to  
 Washington and Alaska.  
 Leo Rassieur,<sup>1 18</sup> St. Louis, 1890.  
 George W. Martin, Brookfield, 1891.  
 C. W. Whitehead,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Charles G. Burton,<sup>1 18</sup> Portland, Oreg.,  
 1893.  
 Louis Grund,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Louis Benecke,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Thos. P. Rodgers,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John P. Platt,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 A. G. Peterson,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John W. Scott,<sup>1</sup> Daytona, Fla., 1899.  
 Wilbur F. Henry,<sup>1 9</sup> St. Louis, 1900.  
 George Hall, Trenton, 1901.

Ira T. Bronson,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 F. M. Sterrett,<sup>7</sup> 1903.  
 Jere T. Dew,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Henry Fairback<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John M. Williams,<sup>1 8</sup> California, 1906.  
 Thomas D. Kimball,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1907.  
 J. V. Martin, Brookfield, 1908.  
 W. H. Skinner,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Robert N. Denham,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Benjamin Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Charles W. Ruby,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Arthur Dreifus,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 William Lowe,<sup>1</sup> Warrensburg, 1914.  
 James B. Dobyne,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1915.  
 Alex McCandless, Moberly, 1916.  
 Thos. W. Evans, St. Joseph, 1917.  
 Phil F. Coghlan,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1918.  
 W. C. Calland,<sup>1</sup> Springfield, 1919.  
 Samuel D. Webster,<sup>1</sup> St. Louis, 1920.

W. S. Jenkins,<sup>2</sup> 1872, transferred from Kansas.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See Ohio.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.



MONTANA (37).

[Organized Mar. 10, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 254; posts, 13.]

Department commander	Chas. S. Shoemaker	Peny.
Senior vice department commander	D. T. Goff	Hamilton.
Junior vice department commander	John A. Schmitt	Columbia Falls.
Assistant adjutant general	George H. Taylor	Helena.

REPRESENTATIVES.

R. L. Cleveland,<sup>1</sup> Great Falls.  
J. S. Ohls,<sup>1</sup> Sola.

ALTERNATES.

C. P. Brinton, Butte.  
Thomas McGill, Los Angeles, Calif.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thomas P. Fuller,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
Charles S. Warren<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
Ela C. Waters,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
Julius G. Sanders,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
James E. Galloway,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Ed. S. Ferris,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Harry C. Kessler,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
John L. Sloan,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
Joseph O. Gregg,<sup>24</sup> Columbus, Ohio,  
1893.  
Peter R. Dolman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
Robert E. Fisk,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
Lester S. Willson,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Thaddeus C. Davidson,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
W. H. H. Dickinson,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
C. B. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
P. B. Manchester,<sup>7</sup> 1900.  
Frank P. Sterling,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
Alanson N. Bull,<sup>2</sup> 1902.

J. S. Wisner,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
Henry N. Blake, Boston, Mass., 1904.  
Wilbur F. Sanders,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
A. J. Fisk,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
B. N. Beebe,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
Edwin C. Kinney,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
Edwin S. Pease,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
Robert G. Huston,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
John J. Rohrbaugh,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
W. Y. Smith,<sup>2</sup> Bozeman, 1912.  
P. W. Sheehy,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
E. L. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
James R. Goss, Billings, 1915.  
G. I. Reiche, Poulson, 1916.  
Simon Hauswirth,<sup>1</sup> Columbia Falls,  
1917.  
John Marchion, Anaconda, 1918.  
J. Perry McClain,<sup>1</sup> LoLo, 1919.  
J. M. Page, Twin Bridges, 1920.

Michael Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Michigan.  
J. B. Walgemuth,<sup>2</sup> 1905, transferred from South Dakota.

NEBRASKA (17).

[Organized June 11, 1877. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 2,060; posts, 157.]

Department commander	W. J. Blystone	Lincoln.
Senior vice department commander	H. R. Beachell	Waverly.
Junior vice department commander	Geo. W. Bearnese	Geneva.
Assistant adjutant general	Harmon Bross	Lincoln.

REPRESENTATIVES.

O. C. Bell, Lincoln.  
C. S. Allen,<sup>1</sup> Geneva.  
W. E. Beghtol,<sup>1</sup> Holdrege.  
E. B. Fancher,<sup>1</sup> Lincoln.  
H. M. Carpenter, Hastings.  
John S. Davisson, Omaha.  
H. W. George,<sup>1</sup> Omaha.  
S. P. Howland,<sup>1</sup> Juniata.

ALTERNATES.

W. J. Frantz, Hastings.  
T. E. Glass,<sup>1</sup> Lincoln.  
W. C. Henry, Lincoln.  
James McKelvie, Juniata.  
J. M. Mahaffey,<sup>1</sup> Bennett.  
E. A. Parmelee,<sup>1</sup> Omaha.  
W. H. Short, Franklin.  
C. F. Weller, Omaha.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>24</sup> See Ohio.

## NEBRASKA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Paul Van Devoort,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 R. H. Wilbur,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James W. Savage,<sup>2</sup> 1879–80.  
 S. J. Alexander,<sup>2</sup> 1881–82.  
 John C. Bonnell,<sup>23</sup> 1883.  
 Henry E. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. V. Cole,<sup>17</sup> 1885.  
 John M. Thayer,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 H. C. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 W. C. Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 J. B. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 T. S. Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Joseph Teeter,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 C. J. Dilworth,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 A. H. Church,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Church Howe,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Clarendon E. Adams,<sup>118</sup> Omaha, 1895.  
 J. H. Culver, East San Diego, Calif., 1896.  
 John A. Ehrhardt,<sup>1</sup> Stanton, 1897.  
 Thomas J. Majors, Peru, 1898.  
 John E. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Griff J. Thomas,<sup>1</sup> Harvard, 1879–1881, transferred from Wisconsin.

John Reese, Broken Bow, 1900.  
 R. S. Wilcox, Omaha, 1901.  
 C. F. Steele,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Lee Estelle,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Harmon Bross,<sup>19</sup> Lincoln, 1904.  
 John Lett, York, 1905.  
 John R. Maxson, Minden, 1906.  
 Thomas Creigh,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Eli A. Barnes, Grand Island, 1908.  
 L. D. Richards,<sup>1</sup> Fremont, 1909.  
 John F. Diener,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 A. M. Trimble,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 M. V. King,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John A. Dempster,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 O. H. Durand,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Geo. C. Humphrey, Grand Island, 1915.  
 W. H. Stewart,<sup>18</sup> Geneva, 1916.  
 Wilson E. Majors, Peru, 1917.  
 J. S. Hoagland,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 J. B. Strode,<sup>1</sup> Lincoln, 1919.  
 Joseph H. Presson, Omaha, 1920.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE (12).

[Organized June 30, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 820; posts, 59.]

Department commander	Arthur Thompson <sup>1</sup>	Warner.
Senior vice department commander	J. N. Patterson	Concord.
Junior vice department commander	J. C. Lewis <sup>1</sup>	Milford.
Assistant adjutant general	Frank Battles	Concord.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

L. S. Richardson,<sup>1</sup> Concord.  
 George P. Morrill,<sup>1</sup> Penacook.  
 Andrew Hanon,<sup>1</sup> Berlin.  
 Milo A. Everest,<sup>1</sup> Lebanon.

## ALTERNATES.

Charles Poore, Raymond.  
 William Blair, Berlin.  
 Joseph Willis, Woodsville.  
 Joseph Mead, Glen.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Matthew T. Batton,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 William R. Patten,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Daniel J. Vaughan,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 James E. Larkin,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Augustus H. Bixby,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 William H. Trickey, Tilton, 1872.  
 Timothy W. Challis,<sup>2</sup> 1873–74.  
 Alvin S. Eaton,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Charles J. Richards,<sup>2</sup> 1876–77–78.  
 George Bowers,<sup>2</sup> 1879–80.  
 Martin A. Haynes,<sup>2</sup> 1881–82.  
 John C. Linehan,<sup>2</sup> 1883–84.  
 Marcus M. Collis,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 George Farr,<sup>2</sup> 1886.

Otis C. Wyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. B. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 James F. Grimes,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Thomas Cogswell,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Everett B. Huse,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Daniel Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Frank G. Noyes,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 David R. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Charles E. Buzzell,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Lewis W. Aldrich,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 James Minot,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 A. S. Twitchell,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Horace L. Worcester, Rochester, 1899.  
 D. E. Proctor, Wilton, 1900.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

<sup>23</sup> Honorably discharged from order.



## NEW HAMPSHIRE—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

A. C. Haines, Newmarket, 1901.  
 William S. Carter, Lebanon, 1902.  
 Edward E. Parker, Nashua, 1903.  
 Henry O. Kent,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Daniel B. Newhall,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Osman B. Warren,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 William S. Pillsbury,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Augustus D. Sanborn,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Charles W. Stevens, Nashua, 1909.  
 Albert D. Scovell, Manchester, 1910.  
 Henry A. Conant,<sup>2</sup> 1911 (died in office).

William A. Beckford,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 George K. Stratton, Bradford, 1912.  
 David R. Roys, Claremont, 1913.  
 O. B. Douglass,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 M. B. Plummer,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Reuben T. Leavitt,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Charles W. Hobbs, Pelham, 1917.  
 Eugene Wason, Milford, 1918.  
 Frank W. Wilson, Manchester, 1919.  
 James H. Hunt, Nashua, 1920.

## NEW JERSEY (8).

[Organized Dec. 10, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,644; posts, 86.]

Department commander-----	Isaac Cole <sup>1</sup> -----	Maplewood.
Senior vice department commander---	William M. Barr <sup>1</sup> -----	Paterson.
Junior vice department commander---	Charles Wallen <sup>1</sup> -----	Vineland.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Andrew J. Mattison <sup>1</sup> -----	Newark.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

H. Craig Smith,<sup>1</sup> Plainfield.  
 William H. Bryson,<sup>1</sup> Newark.  
 William W. Mendell,<sup>1</sup> Cranford.  
 M. V. Kennelly,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City.  
 Lewis H. Marinus,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City.  
 Stephen R. Mullen,<sup>1</sup> Summit.

## ALTERNATES.

Abram Ball, Newark.  
 Uriah Seely, Newark.  
 John C. Allen, Atlantic City.  
 J. M. Freeman, East Orange.  
 A. C. Gile, Cape May.  
 Leonard F. Roray, Camden.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

E. Jardine,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 William Ward,<sup>2</sup> 1869-70.  
 Richard H. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 John R. Goble,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 Chas Burrows,<sup>12</sup> Rutherford, 1874-75.  
 E. W. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 John Mueller,<sup>2</sup> 1877-78.  
 Samuel Hufty,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 George W. Gile,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Charles H. Houghton,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 E. L. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 George B. Fielder,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Henry M. Nevius,<sup>2</sup> 1884-85.  
 Frank O. Cole,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City, 1886.  
 J. L. Wheeler,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 E. Burd Grubb,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 W. B. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. M. Matthews,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 James R. Mullikin,<sup>1</sup> Newark, 1891.  
 R. A. Donnelly,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 H. L. Hartshorn,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John Shields, Clayton, 1894.  
 Henry S. White,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Ernest C. Stahl,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Emanuel Sands,<sup>2</sup> 1897 (died in office).  
 Samuel G. Hayter,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William C. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Plainfield, 1898.

George Barrett, Camden, 1899.  
 E. V. Richards,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 J. L. Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Enos F. Hann,<sup>1</sup> Atlantic City, 1902.  
 Stephen M. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James M. Atwood,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Charles Currie,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Alfred Atkins,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Arthur W. Tench, Maplewood, 1907.  
 John Foran,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James F. Connelly,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 James Inglis, jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Adrian S. Appleget, Trenton, 1911.  
 Terrance J. McDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John W. Bodine,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Forman J. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).  
 Samuel G. Garretson, Perth Amboy, 1914.  
 William F. Washington,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 William O. Allen,<sup>18</sup> Newark, 1916.  
 Walter S. Tully,<sup>1</sup> Belmar, 1917.  
 George C. Boyd,<sup>1</sup> Kearney, 1918.  
 A. J. Washburn,<sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).  
 Frank Briden,<sup>1</sup> Belmar, 1919.  
 John T. McNeill, Kearney, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

## NEW MEXICO (32).

[Organized July 14, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 70; posts, 8.]

Department commander-----	John Shank-----	East Las Vegas.
Senior vice department commander---	John Greenwald <sup>1 8</sup> ----	Socorro.
Junior vice department commander---	John Hull-----	Santa Fe.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John G. Caldwell <sup>1</sup> ----	Albuquerque.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

B. A. Jones, Albuquerque.

## ALTERNATE.

John M. Rice, White Oaks.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry M. Atkins,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Edward W. Wyncoop,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 J. J. Fitzgerrell,<sup>26</sup> 1885.  
 E. S. Stover, Albuquerque, 1886.  
 John Y. Hewitt, White Oaks, 1887.  
 Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 John H. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).  
 Lee H. Rudisille,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. M. Whitcomb,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Albert J. Fountain,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 S. W. Dorsey,<sup>5</sup> 1892.  
 W. H. Whiteman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 George W. Knaebel,<sup>5</sup> 1899.  
 Thomas W. Collier,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John C. Bromagen,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1897-98.  
 Leverett Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 George Knaebel,<sup>5</sup> 1899.  
 John R. McFie, Gallup, 1900-1901.

John W. Edwards,<sup>7</sup> 1902-3.  
 Theo. W. Heman,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Jacob Weltmer,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 W. B. Brunton,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. W. McDonald,<sup>1</sup> Albuquerque, 1907.  
 John P. Victory,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John W. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 H. B. Steward,<sup>1</sup> Soldiers' Home, Calif.,  
 1910.  
 A. D. Higgins,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. G. Caldwell, <sup>1 9</sup> Albuquerque, 1912.  
 D. M. Sutherland, Alamogordo, 1913.  
 John A. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Z. H. Bliss, Albuquerque, 1915.  
 F. E. Olney, E. Las Vegas, 1916.  
 Jefferson Reynolds, E. Las Vegas, 1917.  
 John W. Terry, Socorro, 1918.  
 O. L. Gregory, E. Las Vegas, 1919.  
 Wm. M. Berger, Belen, 1920.

## NEW YORK (5).

[Organized Apr. 3, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 8,795; posts, 459.]

Department commander-----	Isidore Isaacs <sup>1 10</sup> ---	New York (Bronx).
Senior vice department commander--	Alfred A. Lord-----	Binghamton.
Junior vice department commander--	James K. Prosser--	Oswego.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Thomas J. McConekey, <sup>1</sup>	Brooklyn.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

William C. Peckham <sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 George H. Sears, Buffalo.  
 George Wander,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo.  
 John Ryall,<sup>1</sup> Voorheesville.  
 Henry L. Keene,<sup>1</sup> Elmira.  
 Thomas M. Vallean,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 B. Franklin Raze,<sup>1</sup> Camillus.  
 Calvin S. Brainard,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo.  
 William H. Lyons,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 H. Stewart Warner,<sup>1</sup> Skaneateles.  
 Wallace Riley,<sup>1</sup> Lockport.  
 Charles H. Thompson,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

## ALTERNATES.

William Elliott Griffis, Ithaca.  
 Abram G. Mills, New York.  
 Wm. H. Hyler, Port Chester.  
 Arthur B. Avery,<sup>1</sup> East Aurora.  
 E. J. Hoffman, Brooklyn.  
 H. W. Valentine,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 George W. Rowell,<sup>1</sup> Oneonta.  
 Edward W. Castell,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 Charles Heacock,<sup>1</sup> Dunkirk.  
 Wm. H. Martin, Cooperstown.  
 Charles T. Peck, Rochester.  
 Isaac Brown, New York.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>26</sup> See Tennessee.



## NEW YORK—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

C. J. Kellogg,<sup>1</sup> Schenectady.  
 William J. Barry,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 R. S. Rimington,<sup>1</sup> Saratoga Springs.  
 James D. Lyons,<sup>1</sup> New York (Bronx).  
 William J. Courtney,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 F. A. M. Ball, Syracuse.  
 D. F. McOmber,<sup>1</sup> Holley.  
 John L. Sutphin,<sup>1</sup> Brockport.  
 Cyrus W. Lord,<sup>1</sup> Jamestown.  
 R. W. Carmen,<sup>1</sup> Flushing.  
 Birt F. Parsons, Brooklyn.  
 Michael B. Wood,<sup>1</sup> New York.  
 Edwin H. Squires,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn.  
 Henry A. Howard,<sup>1</sup> Rochester.  
 Lewis Hunt,<sup>1</sup> Schaghticoke.  
 Eben Adams, New Rochelle.  
 Henry J. Kearney,<sup>1</sup> Jersey City, N. J.  
 James Smith, Maspeth, L. I.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

Wm. Wallace Grant, Brooklyn.  
 Duncan J. McMillan, New York.  
 Patrick H. Doody, New York.  
 R. S. Maddren, Brooklyn.  
 W. A. Briggs, Neversink.  
 J. H. Reynolds, Hornell.  
 Wm. H. Hathaway, Elmira.  
 Alexander Parsons, Canajoharie.  
 Samuel M. Whitbeck, Penn Yan.  
 Philip Dietrick, Fulton.  
 Ansel Marcenus, Esperance.  
 Theodore Cocheu, Brooklyn.  
 Thomas A. Burchill, Rochester.  
 George W. Brush, Brooklyn.  
 W. S. Brazier, New York.  
 Wm. V. G. Riblet, New York.  
 Frank J. Raye, Brooklyn.  
 J. H. Benzine, Buffalo.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James B. McKean,<sup>2</sup> 1866–67.  
 Daniel E. Sickles,<sup>2</sup> 1868–69.  
 Edward B. Lansing,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 John C. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Henry A. Barnum,<sup>2</sup> 1871–72.  
 Stephen P. Corliss,<sup>2</sup> 1873–74.  
 Edward Jardine,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 John Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James Tanner,<sup>1 18</sup> Washington, D. C.,  
 1876–77.  
 William F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James McQuade,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 L. Coe Young,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Abram Merritt,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James S. Frazier,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 John A. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Ira M. Hedges,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. Clay Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Joseph I. Sayles,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George H. Treadwell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 N. Martin Curtis,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Harrison Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Floyd Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles H. Freeman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Theodore L. Poole,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Joseph P. Cleary,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John C. Shotts,<sup>2</sup> 1894.

Edward J. Atkinson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 James S. Graham,<sup>1</sup> Oxford, 1896.  
 Albert D. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Anson S. Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Joseph W. Kay, Brooklyn, 1899.  
 N. P. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Chas. A. Orr, Buffalo, 1901.  
 Allan C. Bakewell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 John S. Koster, Port Leyden, 1903.  
 Henry N. Burhams,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James M. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John S. Maxwell, Amsterdam, 1906.  
 Harlan J. Swift,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William H. Daniels,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 M. J. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 DeWitt C. Hurd, Utica, 1910.  
 George B. Loud,<sup>7</sup> New York City, 1911.  
 Oscar Smith,<sup>1</sup> Albany, 1912.  
 Samuel C. Pierce,<sup>1</sup> Rochester, 1913.  
 James D. Bell,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Zan L. Tidball, Bath, 1915.  
 Solomon W. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 William F. Kirchner,<sup>1</sup> New York City,  
 1917.  
 Lewis S. Pilcher,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, 1918.  
 Joseph E. Ewell,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, 1919.  
 Alfred E. Stacey, Elbridge, 1920.

De Alva S. Alexander, Buffalo, 1884, transferred from Potomac.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> transferred from South Dakota.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

## NORTH DAKOTA (43).

[Organized Apr. 23, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 155 ; posts, 16.]

Department commander-----	C. P. Stearns <sup>1</sup> -----	Rogers.
Senior vice department commander---	Charles H. Sikes-----	Fargo.
Junior vice department commander---	W. R. Whitcomb <sup>1</sup> -----	Devils Lake.
Assistant adjutant general-----	H. J. Rowe <sup>1</sup> -----	Lisbon.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Henry Dinsmore,<sup>1</sup> Ellendale.  
 Smith, Stimmel,<sup>1 20</sup> Fargo.

## ALTERNATES.

P. A. Cooney, Lisbon.  
 M. Skarison, Velva.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Harrison Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George B. Winship, San Diego, Calif.,  
 1890.  
 William A. Bentley,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Sammel G. Roberts, San Diego, Calif.,  
 1892.  
 John D. Black, San Diego, Calif., 1893.  
 James O'Neal,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 A. P. Rounseville, Lemon City, Fla.,  
 1895.  
 William H. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Edward C. Gearey,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Edwin Southard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 William Ackerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Freeman Orcutt,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 D. G. Duell,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1901.  
 John C. Gipson,<sup>7</sup> 1902.  
 H. J. Rowe,<sup>1 9</sup> Lisbon, 1903.  
 D. F. Siegfried,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Joseph Hare,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

B. F. Bigelow, Los Angeles, Calif., 1906.  
 S. J. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 J. L. Richmond, Minnewaukan, 1908.  
 Halsey S. Curry,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Albert Roberts,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1910.  
 James H. Mathews,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 George W. Kurtz,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 George B. Vallandingham, Sawtelle,  
 Calif., 1913.  
 Alexander Hay, Wahpeton, 1914.  
 J. L. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Henry Beal,<sup>1</sup> Valley City, 1916.  
 Christian Schmitt,<sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, Calif.,  
 1917.  
 John W. Carroll, Davenport, Iowa,  
 1918.  
 James McCormick,<sup>1</sup> Devils Lake, 1919.  
 David B. McClain,<sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in of-  
 fice).  
 Orange A. Potter,<sup>1</sup> Granville, 1920.

## OHIO (4).

[Organized Jan. 30, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 10,241 ; posts, 421.]

Department commander-----	M. J. Sloan <sup>1</sup> -----	Warren.
Senior vice department commander---	I. N. Smith <sup>1</sup> -----	Greenville.
Junior vice department commander---	L. P. Rife <sup>1</sup> -----	Defiance.
Assistant adjutant general-----	W. S. Matthews <sup>1</sup> -----	Columbus.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

W. H. Little,<sup>1</sup> Canton.  
 James Herring, Mansfield.  
 F. E. Lamb, Bucyrus.  
 D. R. Herrick,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
 Edward Baker,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
 S. A. West,<sup>1</sup> Terrace Park.  
 A. C. Stone,<sup>1</sup> Wilmington.  
 Marcus N. Surface,<sup>1</sup> New Paris.  
 Gustavus Smith,<sup>1</sup> Dayton.  
 W. C. Bostwick, Mount Sterling.  
 Charles Embich,<sup>1</sup> Lancaster.

## ALTERNATES.

R. G. Chandler,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 O. D. Cotton,<sup>1</sup> Dayton.  
 Conrad Liner, Cincinnati.  
 A. E. Otte,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati.  
 N. W. Smith, Hamilton.  
 J. T. Yankee, Peebles.  
 Samuel Oldfather, Lewisburg.  
 I. N. Rowe, Washington C. H.  
 W. W. McDonald, Logan.  
 Samuel McElhany, Portsmouth.  
 W. N. Burley, Crooksville.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>20</sup> National patriotic instructor.



## OHIO—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

W. N. Clouse,<sup>1</sup> Ironton.  
 A. G. O'Bleness,<sup>1</sup> Marietta.  
 Clark Bundy,<sup>1</sup> Chesterhill.  
 L. H. Derby,<sup>1</sup> Norwalk.  
 H. H. Sharp,<sup>1</sup> Kenton.  
 A. M. Bowdle,<sup>1</sup> Piqua.  
 William D. Heffner,<sup>1</sup> Lima.  
 A. Pressler,<sup>1</sup> Montpelier.  
 Sol Zarbaugh, Hot Springs, S. Dak.  
 Israel Walborn,<sup>1</sup> Fremont.  
 John M. Woodruff,<sup>1</sup> Fostoria.  
 Theodore B. Tucker,<sup>1</sup> Toledo.  
 R. G. Dickerson,<sup>1</sup> Delaware.  
 W. H. King,<sup>1</sup> Coshocton.  
 J. B. Gibson,<sup>1</sup> Bellaire.  
 D. G. Smith, Steubenville.  
 M. O. Messer,<sup>1</sup> Warren.  
 John M. Downs,<sup>1</sup> Carrollton.  
 S. A. Williams,<sup>1</sup> Wellington.  
 Chas. H. Durfey,<sup>1</sup> Columbus.  
 J. M. Bradford,<sup>1</sup> Akron.  
 W. M. Woodruff,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 John E. Taylor,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland.  
 E. R. Ward,<sup>1</sup> Conneaut.

## ALTERNATES—continued

J. H. Knight, McConnellsville.  
 Chas. C. Mulford, O. S. & S. Home.  
 A. J. Sponsler, Kenton.  
 James K. Cheetham, Urbana.  
 S. H. Keirns, Columbus Grove.  
 E. E. Buell, Edgerton.  
 S. G. Liles,<sup>1</sup> Forest.  
 H. L. Hammond, Elliston.  
 W. B. Denman, Marion.  
 M. A. Gibson, Toledo.  
 H. A. Silverwood, Delaware.  
 Piatt Williamson, Warsaw.  
 J. C. Glover, Cadiz.  
 Jason Neville,<sup>1</sup> Liverpool.  
 D. I. McFarland, Youngstown.  
 M. M. Southworth, Alliance.  
 W. B. Arndt,<sup>1</sup> Sullivan.  
 F. M. Spitler, Columbus.  
 W. G. Bigelow, Akron.  
 J. Burns, Cleveland.  
 Josiah Johnson, Cleveland.  
 W. H. Stratton, Painesville.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

B. F. Potts,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 Thomas L. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 J. Warren Keifer,<sup>1 10</sup> Springfield, 1868–70.  
 William C. Bunts,<sup>2</sup> 1871–72.  
 G. M. Barber,<sup>2</sup> 1873–74.  
 Alvin C. Voris,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 William Earnshaw,<sup>2</sup> 1876–77.  
 Nathan L. Guthrie,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James H. Seymour,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 James H. Steedman,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 David W. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 John S. Kountz,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Chas. T. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1882–83.  
 H. P. Lloyd,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. B. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Arthur L. Conger,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 D. C. Putnam,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Joseph W. O'Neill, Columbus, 1888.  
 S. H. Hurst,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 P. H. Dowling,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. M. Warner, Cincinnati, 1891.  
 Isaac F. Mack,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 L. H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 E. E. Nutt,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Chas. Townsend,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

E. L. Lybarger, Spring Mountain, 1896.  
 Henry Kissinger,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David F. Pugh, Columbus, 1898.  
 Thomas R. Shinn,<sup>1</sup> Ashland, 1899.  
 Elias R. Monfort,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Emmett F. Taggart, Akron, 1901.  
 Walton Weber,<sup>1</sup> Columbus, 1902.  
 Arthur C. Yengling,<sup>1</sup> Salem, 1903.  
 B. M. Moulton,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Amos Huffman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George A. Harmon,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. S. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 John H. Sharer,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Hall, Lima, 1908.  
 Chas. H. Newton,<sup>1</sup> Marietta, 1909.  
 Henry A. Axline,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 J. F. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Chas. W. Blodgett, Cincinnati, 1912.  
 W. R. Warnock,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 J. Kent Hamilton,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Seeley P. Mount,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland, 1915.  
 W. H. Surles,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 W. A. Pittenger,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 D. M. Hall,<sup>1 18</sup> Columbus, 1918.  
 H. C. Martindale,<sup>1</sup> Cleveland, 1919.  
 John M. Adams,<sup>1</sup> Cincinnati, 1920.

Frank M. Sterrett, Troy, 1920, transferred from Missouri.

Joseph O. Gregg, Columbus, 1918, transferred from Montana.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

## OKLAHOMA (44).

[Organized Aug. 7, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 831; posts, 49. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at joint encampment held at Guthrie, May 19-22, 1908.]

Department commander-----Jacob Amberg<sup>1</sup>-----Oklahoma City.  
(Union Soldiers' Home.)  
Senior vice department commander---J. Q. Adamson<sup>1</sup>-----Edmond.  
Junior vice department commander---J. J. Lyons<sup>1</sup>-----Muskogee.  
Assistant adjutant general-----J. H. Norton<sup>1</sup>-----Oklahoma City.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. F. Ward,<sup>1</sup> Apache.  
Melvin Fairchild, Stillwater.  
John Oliphant, Tulsa.  
L. O'Breiter, Oklahoma City.

## ALTERNATES.

V. A. Walkup, Apache.  
I. W. Scherich,<sup>1</sup> Enid.  
S. M. Hines, Stillwater.  
P. D. Kenyon, Oklahoma City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

G. M. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
G. M. Coulton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
D. F. Wyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
T. H. Soward,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
H. G. Trosper,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
W. H. Cater,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
C. R. Young, Guthrie, 1897.  
D. M. Munger,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
J. J. S. Hasler,<sup>2</sup> 1899 (died in office).  
I. W. Rush,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
M. L. Mock,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
James E. Burns, Fresno, Calif., 1901.  
Wesley Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
Cyrus P. Green,<sup>1</sup> Enid, 1903.  
S. P. Strahan,<sup>1</sup> Perry, 1904.  
G. M. Parks,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

Peter A. Becker,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
W. H. Hornaday, Guthrie, 1907.  
H. Veatch,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
William Higgins, Bartlesville, 1909.  
B. N. Turk, Enid, 1910.  
Wilberforce Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
W. R. Kelley,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
L. C. Coffin,<sup>1</sup> Elgin, 1913.  
George W. Billings,<sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).  
George W. Fletcher,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
A. A. Beasler,<sup>1</sup> Chandler, 1915.  
Albert Reeves,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
J. C. White, Oklahoma City, 1917.  
F. E. Hills,<sup>1</sup><sup>8</sup> Enid, 1918.  
F. M. Cline, Woodward, 1919.  
W. S. Tilton,<sup>1</sup> Anadarko, 1920.

## FROM DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN TERRITORY, BY MERGER, MAY 19-22, 1908.

E. Calkins,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
B. F. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
J. H. Spann, McAlester, 1893.  
Savelon Boyles,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
J. L. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
William H. Harrison,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
R. M. J. Shriver, Miami, 1897.  
David Redfield, 1898.

Gideon S. White,<sup>5</sup> 1899.  
John S. Hammer,<sup>2</sup> 1900-1902.  
J. A. Rose,<sup>5</sup> 1904.  
Robert Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
Samuel H. Smith,<sup>1</sup> Muskogee, 1905.  
J. A. Ayres,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
A. G. Krutchmer,<sup>2</sup> 1907.

D. W. Eastman, 1898, transferred from Kansas.  
John C. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from North Dakota.

## OREGON (26).

[Organized Sept. 28, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,538; posts, 62.]

Department commander-----C. A. Williams<sup>1</sup>-----Portland.  
Senior vice department commander---S. P. Hutchinson-----Pendleton.  
Junior vice department commander---I. T. Patriquen<sup>1</sup>-----Sheridan.  
Assistant adjutant general-----James M. Pugh-----Portland.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.



## OREGON—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

G. R. Castner,<sup>1</sup> Hood River.  
D. F. Lane,<sup>1</sup> Salem.  
A. W. Gowan, Burns.  
John Catlin,<sup>1</sup> Albany.  
J. L. Crow, Hillsboro.  
A. DeLong, Portland.

## ALTERNATES.

H. O. Canfield,<sup>1</sup> Portland.  
B. Morgan,<sup>1</sup> Portland.  
C. A. Lamar,<sup>1</sup> Portland.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

N. S. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
G. E. Caukin,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
F. J. Babcock,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
F. H. Lamb, Inverness, Calif., 1885-86.  
M. L. Olmstead,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
A. E. Borthwick,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
E. B. McElroy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
James A. Varney,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Owen Summers,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
H. H. Northup, Portland, 1892.  
J. C. Cooper, McMinnville, 1893.  
S. B. Ormsby,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
E. W. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
D. C. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Frank Reisner,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
C. P. Holloway, Portland, 1898.  
H. V. Gates, Hillsboro, 1899.  
A. J. Goodbrod,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
J. A. Sladen,<sup>2</sup> 1901.

M. L. Pratt, Portland, 1902.  
David H. Turner, McMinnville, 1903.  
B. F. Pike, Newberg, 1904.  
T. E. Hills, Garden Home, 1905.  
Homer Sutcliffe,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
S. F. Blythe,<sup>1</sup> Hood River, 1907.  
J. T. Apperson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
James P. Shaw, Portland, 1909.  
W. J. R. Beach, Forest Grove, 1910.  
Newton Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
Thos. B. McDevitt, Portland, 1912.  
S. W. Taylor, Roseburg, 1913.  
H. S. Fargo,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
Geo. A. Harding, Oregon City, 1915.  
Joseph E. Hall, Portland, 1916.  
J. G. Chambers,<sup>1 30</sup> Portland, 1917.  
Tillman H. Stevens, Portland, 1918.  
Daniel Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
J. T. Butler, Gladstone, 1920.

## PENNSYLVANIA (3).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 9,122; posts, 416.]

Department commander ----- Charles C. Taylor<sup>1</sup> ----- Philadelphia.  
Senior vice department commander --- W. H. Kramer ----- Allentown.  
Junior vice department commander --- Allen J. Clifton<sup>1</sup> ----- Easton.  
Assistant adjutant general ----- Samuel P. Town<sup>1</sup> ----- Philadelphia.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. C. Arensberg,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
Henry C. Deetz,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
A. F. Dalzell,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
Frank Babb,<sup>1</sup> Wilkes-Barre.  
B. H. Bowman,<sup>1</sup> Millersburg.  
D. S. Beemer,<sup>1</sup> Scranton.  
S. C. Coleman,<sup>1</sup> Norwood.  
C. P. Deininger,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
W. J. Giles,<sup>1</sup> McKeesport.  
J. W. Kauffman,<sup>1</sup> Huntingdon.  
J. S. Leinbach, Williamsport.  
U. S. Hanna,<sup>1</sup> Springdale.  
Campbell Stanton,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
A. T. Anderson,<sup>1</sup> Washington.  
I. L. Roushey, Dallas.  
W. W. Renkin,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
T. P. Stephens,<sup>1</sup> Indiana.  
W. F. Hambright,<sup>1</sup> Lancaster.

## ALTERNATES.

J. W. McCune,<sup>1</sup> Lancaster.  
John Ott,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
J. W. Brown, Pittsburgh.  
L. T. Carpenter,<sup>1</sup> Lock Haven.  
T. J. Dolphin, Media.  
H. S. Dutton, West Chester.  
W. J. Fries, Philadelphia.  
J. C. Doyle, Philadelphia.  
J. N. Califf, Towanda.  
J. R. Long, Leechburg.  
W. A. Moudy, Carlisle.  
M. A. Brandt, Philadelphia.  
S. R. Nissley, Elizabethtown.  
J. Fisher, Philadelphia.  
P. McNulty, Philadelphia.  
D. M. Lotz, Holidaysburg.  
J. T. Jeandell, Philadelphia.  
H. S. Watson, Harrisburg.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>30</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

## PENNSYLVANIA—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

J. I. Shoemaker,<sup>1</sup> Wyoming.  
 A. Stanger,<sup>1</sup> Philadelphia.  
 T. Wardrop,<sup>1</sup> Mount Carmel.  
 A. D. Hutchinson,<sup>1</sup> Allentown.  
 H. V. Carls,<sup>1</sup> Altoona.  
 D. Doone,<sup>1</sup> Pottsville.  
 A. J. Ellis,<sup>1</sup> Uniontown.  
 S. E. Gill,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 J. H. Geer,<sup>1</sup> Johnstown.  
 R. N. Spohn,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh.  
 A. J. Reed, Pittsburgh.  
 C. L. Sherman, Philadelphia.  
 H. H. Spayd,<sup>1</sup> Minersville.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

W. W. Clark, Easton.  
 H. Butterfield, Braddock.  
 A. J. Clifton, Easton.  
 J. Hannis, Hatborough.  
 G. Josephs, Philadelphia.  
 W. S. Seabold, Annville.  
 T. C. Watson, Pittsburgh.  
 W. G. Moffett, Williamsport.  
 A. Maskings, Philadelphia.  
 H. R. McCalmont, Warren.  
 W. F. Hasor, Harrisburg.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Louis Wagner,<sup>2</sup> 1866–67.  
 A. L. Pearson,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 O. C. Bosbyshell, Philadelphia, 1869.  
 Howard J. Reeder,<sup>2</sup> 1870–71.  
 Frank Reeder,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 Robert B. Beath,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 A. Wilson Norris,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 W. W. Tyson,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James W. Latta, Philadelphia, 1876.  
 Samuel I. Givin,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Charles T. Hull,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 George L. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Chill W. Hazard,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 John Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 John M. Vanderslice,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 E. S. Osborne,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frederick H. Dyer, Des Moines, Iowa,  
 1884.  
 F. Austin Currin,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 J. P. S. Gobin,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Samuel Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Frank J. Magee,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thomas J. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Joseph F. Denniston,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 George G. Boyer,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John P. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Thomas G. Sample,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 William Emsley,<sup>2</sup> 1894.

H. H. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Alfred Darte,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 William D. Stauffer, Lancaster, 1897.  
 William J. Patterson,<sup>1 18</sup> Pittsburgh,  
 1898.  
 James F. Morrison,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Charles Miller, Franklin, 1900.  
 Levi G. McCauley,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 R. P. Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Edwin Walton,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 John McNevin,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 J. Andrew Wilt,<sup>1 8</sup> Towanda, 1905.  
 M. A. Gherst,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 William T. Powell,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1907.  
 P. De Lacy,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Thad M. Mahon,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 L. W. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 N. P. Kingsley,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas H. Cole,<sup>1</sup> Erie, 1912.  
 William J. Wells,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 John A. Fairman, Pittsburgh, 1914.  
 C. C. Gramlich, Philadelphia, 1915.  
 L. F. Arensburg,<sup>1</sup> East Millsboro, 1916.  
 Noah Dietrich, Easton, 1917.  
 J. D. Hicks,<sup>1</sup> Altoona, 1918.  
 George W. Rhoads,<sup>1</sup> Harrisburg, 1919.  
 C. H. William Ruhe,<sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, 1920.

James E. Porter, 1895,<sup>2</sup> transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.  
 James M. Davis, 1898,<sup>2</sup> transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.

## POTOMAC (14).

[Organized Feb. 13, 1869. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 686; posts, 11.]

Department commander	John McElroy <sup>1</sup>	Washington, D. C.
Senior vice department commander	Alfred Shaw <sup>1</sup>	Washington, D. C.
Junior vice department commander	H. L. Deam <sup>1</sup>	Washington, D. C.
Assistant adjutant general	O. H. Oldroyd <sup>1</sup>	Washington, D. C.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.



POTOMAC—Continued.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Roberts Harleston, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	Charles Loeffler, Washington, D. C.
Jeremiah Wilt, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	Frederick Kline, Washington, D. C.
B. W. Bonney, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	Walter Hilton, Washington, D. C.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Samuel A. Duncan, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	Arthur Hendricks, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
Timothy Luby, <sup>2</sup> 1870–1872.	Calvin Farnsworth, Washington, 1899.
Frank H. Sprague, <sup>2</sup> 1873–74.	George H. Slaybaugh, <sup>12</sup> Washington, 1900.
Benjamin F. Hawkes, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Israel W. Stone, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
A. H. G. Richardson, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	B. F. Bingham, <sup>1</sup> Washington, 1902.
George E. Corson, Washington, 1878.	I. G. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Harrison Dingman, <sup>1 10</sup> Washington, 1879.	Abram Hart, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Chas. C. Royce, <sup>10</sup> Washington, 1880.	A. P. Tasker, Washington, 1905.
William Gibson, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	B. P. Entrikin, Washington, 1906.
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> 1882–83.	Newton Ferree, Washington, 1907.
D. S. Alexander, <sup>31</sup> Buffalo, N. Y., 1884.	John S. Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Newton M. Brooks, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Edwin H. Holbrook, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Jerome B. Burke, Washington, 1886–87.	Henry A. Johnson, <sup>1</sup> Washington, 1910.
Chas. P. Lincoln, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	George C. Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
William S. Odell, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	J. D. Bloodgood, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
M. Emmett Urell, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Thos. H. McKee, Washington, 1913.
J. M. Pipes, Washington, 1891.	J. K. Gleason, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
A. F. Dinsmore, Washington, 1892.	L. H. Patterson, Washington, 1915.
S. E. Faunce, Washington, 1893.	A. H. Huntoon, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Nathan Bickford, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	A. H. Frear, Washington, 1917.
Marion T. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	S. G. Mawson, Washington, 1918.
John McElroy, <sup>1 32</sup> Washington, 1896.	H. B. Snyder, Washington, 1919.
Thos. S. Hopkins, <sup>1 33</sup> Washington, 1897.	John McElroy, <sup>1 32</sup> Washington, 1920.

RHODE ISLAND (11).

[Organized Mar. 24, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 599 ; posts, 22.]

Department commander_____	Fred S. Oatley <sup>1</sup> _____	Norwood.
Senior vice department commander___	Chas. E. Pierce <sup>1</sup> _____	Rumford.
Junior vice department commander___	Samuel A. Whelden <sup>1</sup> _____	Providence.
Assistant adjutant general_____	Fred A. Burt <sup>1</sup> _____	Apponaug.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
Christopher H. Carpenter, <sup>1</sup> Providence.	Wm. H. Gladding, Wrentham, Mass.
Geo. W. Ford, <sup>1</sup> Phenix.	John A. Williams, Providence.
Robert M. Pollard, <sup>1</sup> Pawtucket.	Joseph R. Stafford.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Henry R. Barker, <sup>2</sup> 1879.
Horatio Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	Charles C. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1880.
Chas. R. Brayton, <sup>2</sup> 1870–71.	William H. P. Steers, <sup>2</sup> 1881.
Elisha H. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> 1872–73.	Henry F. Jenks, <sup>2</sup> 1882.
Edwin Metcalf, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	Philip S. Chase, <sup>2</sup> 1883.
Edwin C. Pomroy, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	Andrew J. McMahon, Newport, 1884.
Chas. H. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Eugene A. Cory, <sup>2</sup> 1885.
Henry J. Spooner, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	Theodore A. Barton, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
Fred A. Arnold, Providence, 1878.	Benj. L. Hall, Edgewood, 1887.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>10</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

<sup>31</sup> See New York.

<sup>32</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief ; department commander.

<sup>33</sup> Judge advocate general.

## RHODE ISLAND—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Gideon Spencer,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Alonzo Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Benjamin F. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Benjamin H. Child,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 David S. Ray,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 George T. Cranston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles H. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Daniel R. Ballou, Providence, 1895.  
 William E. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Livingston Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Samuel W. K. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Charles O. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Walter A. Read,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles P. Moies,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 George H. Chenery,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 James S. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Joseph Wooley,<sup>2</sup> 1904.

Ezra K. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George L. Greene,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Edward Wilcox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William O. Milne,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Francello G. Jillson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Charles H. Ewer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Ezra Dixon, Bristol, 1911.  
 Thos. M. Holden, Providence, 1912.  
 George H. Cheek, Pawtucket, 1913.  
 Gilbert Wilson, Providence, 1914.  
 Henry J. Pickersgill,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Joseph Gough, Providence, 1916.  
 Augustine A. Mann, Central Falls, 1917.  
 Murdock C. McKenzie,<sup>1</sup> Bristol, 1918.  
 Fred A. Burt,<sup>1 9</sup> Apponaug, 1919.  
 William Massey, Pawtucket, 1920.

## SOUTH DAKOTA (29).

[Organized Mar. 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 592; posts, 55.]

Department commander-----	John E. Davis <sup>1</sup> -----	Lennox.
Senior vice department commander---	A. H. Betts-----	Mitchell.
Junior vice department commander---	T. S. Sharp <sup>1</sup> -----	Brookings.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Cyrus A. B. Fox <sup>1</sup> -----	Sioux Falls.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

I. L. Bates,<sup>1</sup> Groton.  
 C. W. Truax,<sup>1</sup> Huron.  
 B. F. Whitehouse,<sup>1</sup> Frederick.

## ALTERNATES.

Richard Selling, Springfield.  
 Johnston O. Foote, Sioux Falls.  
 Enoch Jones, Hot Springs.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thos. S. Free,<sup>2</sup> 1883-84.  
 W. V. Lucas,<sup>7</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif., 1885-86.  
 Harrison Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 S. F. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George A. Silsby,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 E. T. Langley,<sup>7</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif., 1890.  
 C. S. Palmer,<sup>34</sup> Burlington, Vt., 1891.  
 James B. Holt,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 N. C. Nash,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Geo. W. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 S. B. Drake,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John Ackley,<sup>2</sup> 1896 (died in office).  
 John F. Baker,<sup>1</sup> Zephyrhills, Fla., 1896.  
 C. B. Clark, Hot Springs, 1897.  
 E. P. Farr, Hot Springs, 1898.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 T. E. Blanhard,<sup>7</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif.,  
 Geo. W. Snow,<sup>1</sup> Springfield, 1901.  
 T. E. Blanchard,<sup>3</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif., 1902.

Thomas Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 H. P. Packard,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn., 1904.  
 J. B. Walgamuth,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 N. I. Lowthian,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 T. C. De Jean, Plankinton, 1907.  
 Warren Osborn,<sup>1</sup> Zephyrhills, Fla., 1908.  
 A. S. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 N. H. Kingman, Eugene, Oreg., 1910.  
 Thos. H. Brown, Sioux Falls, 1911.  
 O. S. Gifford,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 H. L. Ferry, Vermillion, 1912.  
 John L. Jolly, Vermillion, 1913.  
 C. A. B. Fox,<sup>1 9</sup> Sioux Falls, 1914.  
 Chas. S. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Walter H. Carr, Yankton, 1916.  
 J. C. Luce,<sup>1</sup> Groton, 1917.  
 James S. Sebree, Pierre, 1918.  
 Abe L. Van Osdel, Mission Hill, 1919.  
 E. L. Hurlbut, Rapid City, 1920.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>34</sup> See Vermont.



TENNESSEE (34).

[Organized Feb. 26, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920. 435 ; posts, 24.]

Department commander	-----W. W. Lowry <sup>1</sup>	-----Riceville.
Senior vice department commander	---W. C. Chandler	-----Knoxville.
Junior vice department commander	---P. W. Evans <sup>1</sup>	-----Kingston.
Assistant adjutant general	-----B. F. Bashor <sup>1</sup>	-----Knoxville.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
John Gray, <sup>1</sup> Greenville.	C. T. Tipton, Knoxville.
H. E. Pond, Madison.	C. L. Broyles, <sup>1</sup> Greenville.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward S. Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1884-85.	W. W. French, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
E. E. Winters, <sup>5</sup> 1886.	John T. Wilder, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
William J. Ramage, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Will A. McTeer, Maryville, 1907.
Wm. Rule, Knoxville, Tenn., 1888.	S. W. Tindell, Johnson City, 1908.
A. H. Pettybone, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	D. Minor Stewart, Chattanooga, 1909.
Chas. F. Muller, <sup>5</sup> 1890.	Ignaz Franz, Knoxville, 1910.
A. J. Gahagan, Chattanooga, 1891.	C. H. Flournoy, Knoxville, 1911.
H. C. Whitaker, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. M. Gamble, Maryville, 1912.
Frank Saamon, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	W. D. Atchley, <sup>1</sup> Sevierville, 1913.
W. F. Milburn, <sup>13</sup> 1894.	D. D. Nicholas, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
W. J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	F. M. Underwood, <sup>1</sup> Knoxville, 1915.
H. B. Case, <sup>2</sup> 1896-97.	J. R. Kennedy, <sup>1</sup> Louisville, 1916.
W. H. Nelson, Roan Mountain, 1898.	O. C. Kinley, <sup>1</sup> National Military Home,
A. H. Crumbliss, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Kansas, 1917.
S. T. Harris, Fountain City, 1900.	W. F. Roberts, <sup>1</sup> Memphis, 1918.
M. M. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	F. M. Fessenden, <sup>1</sup> Chattanooga, 1919.
G. W. Patton, <sup>2</sup> 1902-3.	O. L. Thompson, Rockwood, 1920.
Ben A. Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	

J. J. Fitzgerrell, Soldiers' Home, California, 1888, transferred from New Mexico.

TEXAS (38).

[Organized Mar. 25, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 234 ; posts, 10.]

Department commander	-----C. E. Allgaier <sup>1</sup>	-----Fort Worth.
Senior vice department commander	---A. W. Adleta	-----Dallas.
Junior vice department commander	---W. H. Redwood	-----San Antonio.
Assistant adjutant general	-----Edwin N. Ketchum <sup>1</sup>	-----Galveston.

REPRESENTATIVES.	ALTERNATES.
R. P. Cooper, Dallas. <sup>1</sup>	T. W. Woodcock, Dallas.
J. H. Dunn, Denison. <sup>1</sup>	T. M. Hensley, Fort Worth.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. D. Wylie, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	John Roach, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
O. T. Lyon, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Charles B. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
W. H. Sinclair, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	P. B. Hunt, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
J. C. DeGress, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	C. C. Haskell, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
A. G. Malloy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	John H. Bolton, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
A. K. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	John L. Boyd, Dallas, 1904.
W. W. Mann, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	E. A. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
O. G. Petterson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	W. H. Harvey, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
J. W. Parks, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	L. L. Whittiker, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
R. M. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	T. M. Wright, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
W. W. Bostwick, <sup>36</sup> 1895.	Calvin R. Hubbard, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
G. W. McCormick, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. S. Dunlap, Dallas, 1910.
Ed. N. Ketchum, <sup>1 9</sup> Galveston, 1897.	W. O. Kretsinger, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
W. F. Connor, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	E. P. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912.

<sup>1</sup> Present.  
<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.  
<sup>13</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

## TEXAS—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Sidney Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1913.	Melville B. Young, <sup>1</sup> Plainview, 1917.
Robert McCormick, Dallas, 1914.	Anson Miller, <sup>1</sup> Anahuac, 1918.
C. S. Brodbent, San Antonio, 1915.	Edward Loomis, San Antonio, 1919.
C. A. Cahoon, <sup>2</sup> 1916.	Max Hart, Houston, 1920.

## UTAH (33).

[Organized Oct. 8, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 134; posts, 5.]

Department commander_____	Ezra D. Haskins <sup>1</sup> _____	Salt Lake City.
Senior vice department commander---	J. M. Vandevort_____	Ogden.
Junior vice department commander---	Seymour B. Young_____	Salt Lake City.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John M. Bowman <sup>1</sup> -----	Salt Lake City.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. Van Patten, Ogden.  
Frank H. Hall, Salt Lake City.

## ALTERNATES.

G. Deitz, Ogden.  
Joseph M. Westwood, Springville.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George C. Douglas, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	W. M. Bostaph, <sup>12</sup> California, 1902.
Ransford Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	F. H. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
H. C. Wardleigh, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Henry P. Burns, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Elijah Sells, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	E. T. Hulaniski, Ogden, 1905.
Eli H. Murray, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	B. M. Sperry, Salt Lake City, 1906.
Nathan H. Kimball, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Alford Kent, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Henry T. Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	R. G. Slater, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Henry Page, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Lucien H. Smith, Salt Lake City, 1909.
Frank Hoffman, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	T. C. Lundy, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
James R. Elliott, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	A. B. Laurence, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
J. W. Greenman, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	J. W. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).
T. C. Iliff, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Frank H. Hall, Salt Lake City, 1912.
C. O. Farnsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Reuben Oehler, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
M. M. Kellogg, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	N. A. Heath, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
T. C. Bailey, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	H. G. Rollins, Salt Lake City, 1915.
N. H. Ives, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	N. D. Corser, Salt Lake City, 1916-17.
M. M. Kaighn, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	J. C. H. Warfield, Portland, Oreg., 1918.
M. A. Breeden, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	August Schnelle, Salt Lake City, 1919.
Rudolph Alf, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Ezra D. Haskins, <sup>1 11</sup> Salt Lake City, 1920.

## VERMONT (13).

[Organized Dec. 23, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,103; posts, 76.]

Department commander _____	John R. Wilson _____	Worcester.
Senior vice department commander---	Frank B. Warner _____	Essex Junction.
Junior vice department commander---	John Manning _____	Randolph.
Assistant adjutant general-----	H. P. Hunter <sup>1</sup> -----	Brattleboro.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. M. Hyde,<sup>1</sup> Bennington.  
John H. Amsdon,<sup>1</sup> Waterville.  
Hiram M. Pierce, Montpelier.  
J. D. Hanrahan,<sup>1</sup> Rutland.  
R. P. Porter,<sup>1</sup> Brattleboro.

## ALTERNATES.

Charles H. Cota,<sup>1</sup> St. Albans.  
W. W. Martin, Middlebury.  
D. M. Smith, St. Johnsbury.  
T. Kendall, Randolph.  
A. M. Banks, Bradford.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>11</sup> Department commander.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>36</sup> See Colorado.



VERMONT—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George P. Foster, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	L. B. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
W. W. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1870–71.	F. G. Butterfield, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
W. G. Veasey, <sup>2</sup> 1872–73.	U. A. Woodbury, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
Stephen Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1874–75.	J. H. Lucia, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
T. S. Peck, <sup>2</sup> 1876–77.	R. E. Hathorn, Ludlow, 1902.
J. H. Goulding, <sup>2</sup> 1878–79.	Frank Kenfield, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
G. W. Hooker, <sup>2</sup> 1880–81.	J. E. Eldredge, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
A. B. Valentine, <sup>2</sup> 1882–83.	S. H. Wood, St. Albans, 1905.
C. C. Kinsman, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. A. Sheldon, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
W. L. Greenleaf, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	A. C. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
G. T. Childs, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	C. E. Beach, Burlington, 1908.
P. D. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	A. B. Franklin, Townshend, 1909.
H. E. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	E. J. Foster, <sup>1</sup> Waterbury, Conn., 1910.
A. S. Tracy, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	C. M. Ferrin, Essex Junction, 1911.
Z. M. Mansur, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. A. Niles, Morrisville, 1912.
D. L. Morgan, Rutland, 1891.	Thomas Hannon, Bennington, 1913.
H. Henry, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Edward Baker, Montpelier, 1914.
G. W. Doty, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	George P. Martin, Burlington, 1915.
C. F. Branch, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	H. C. Streeter, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
B. Cannon, jr., <sup>2</sup> 1895.	C. T. S. Pierce, <sup>1</sup> Vergennes, 1917–18.
N. M. Puffer, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	A. T. Woodward, Rutland, 1919.
E. W. Jewett, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	L. W. Bush, Townshend, 1920.
C. S. Palmer, Burlington, 1891, transferred from South Dakota.	

VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA (15).

[Organized July 27, 1871. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 263; posts, 18.]

Department commander-----	Chas. H. Haber <sup>1</sup> -----	National Soldiers' Home, Va.
Senior vice department commander---	Charles Grandy <sup>1</sup> -----	Norfolk, Va.
Junior vice department commander---	George W. Gray-----	Phoebus, Va.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Geo. W. Burchfield <sup>1</sup> ----	National Soldiers' Home, Va.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Edmund Reddick,<sup>1</sup> Portsmouth, Va.  
Nelson Carney,<sup>1</sup> Portsmouth, Va.

ALTERNATES.

William Killen, Norfolk, Va.  
Cornelius Garner, Norfolk, Va.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William W. Eaton, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	James E. Porter, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
William H. Appenzeller, <sup>2</sup> 1875–76.	H. W. Weiss, <sup>1 8</sup> Emporia, Va., 1896.
William Ryder, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	James W. Stebbins, Norfolk, Va., 1897.
R. G. Staples, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	James M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
Richard Bond, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	John W. Rutter, Portsmouth, Va., 1899.
A. B. Hurlburt, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	A. B. Heistand, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
W. Hervey King, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	Peter Morton, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
P. T. Woodfin, <sup>2</sup> 1882–83.	C. D. Grew, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
B. C. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	H. M. Haas, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
H. DeB. Clay, <sup>2</sup> 1885–86.	J. C. Fowler, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
John W. Woodman, Portsmouth, Va., 1887–88.	Isaac Powell, Newberne, N. C., 1905.
R. P. Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	D. R. Wilson, Palenville, N. Y., 1906.
N. J. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	A. A. Hagan, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
H. D. Nicholas, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Frank M. Work, National Soldiers' Home, Kans., 1909.
Edgar Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Thomas Fogarty, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
W. Whitcomb, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	Chas. H. Haber, <sup>1 37</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Va., 1919–20.
J. G. Fulton, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administhation.

<sup>37</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief; department commander.

## WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30).

[Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 1,706 ; posts, 78.]

Department commander-----	J. H. Coffman <sup>1</sup> -----	Tacoma, Wash.
Senior vice department commander---	W. P. Cragin <sup>1</sup> -----	Hoquaim, Wash.
Junior vice department commander---	Enoch Sears-----	Spokane, Wash.
Assistant adjutant general-----	H. P. Burdick-----	Tacoma, Wash.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. M. Birmingham,<sup>1</sup> Aberdeen.  
 H. M. Blakesley,<sup>1</sup> Seattle.  
 A. L. Guy,<sup>1</sup> Spokane.  
 Levi Miller, Spokane.  
 O. W. Lewis, Spokane.  
 Elias White, Vancouver.  
 C. W. Palmer,<sup>1</sup> Spokane.

## ALTERNATES.

Geo. W. Lincoln,<sup>1</sup> Seattle.  
 James H. Chase,<sup>1</sup> Cashmere.  
 E. P. Bolton, Spokane.  
 F. E. Quin, Yakima.  
 S. P. Tift, Everett.  
 R. A. McNair, Olympia.  
 W. J. Baker.<sup>1</sup>

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. W. Sparling,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Geo. D. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Henry A. Morrow,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. M. Brooks, Seattle, 1885.  
 C. M. Holton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 A. P. Curry,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 J. W. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 S. G. Cosgrove,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 M. M. Holmes,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 D. G. Lovell,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 J. S. Brown, Rochester, 1892.  
 Jos. F. Sinclair,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. N. Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Norman Buck,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 C. T. Patterson,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 J. F. McLean,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Geo. W. Tibbets, Seattle, 1898.  
 J. W. Langley,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 B. R. Freeman, Spokane, 1900.  
 Harry A. Bigelow,<sup>2</sup> 1901.

B. C. Bedell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Thos. H. Cavanaugh,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Frank M. Davis, Seattle, 1904.  
 J. T. Goss,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 C. B. Dunning, Spokane, 1906.  
 W. H. Mock,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Geo. H. Boardman, Tacoma, 1908.  
 Lyman Banks,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 W. H. Wiscombe, Spokane, 1910.  
 F. H. Hurd,<sup>1 8</sup> Seattle, 1911.  
 R. R. Harding, Port Angeles, 1912.  
 John E. Stewart, Spokane, 1913.  
 H. R. Gale, Bremerton, 1914.  
 H. W. North, Everett, 1915.  
 J. E. Gandy,<sup>1 38</sup> Spokane, 1916.  
 John J. See, Anacosta, 1917.  
 Samuel F. Street, Edmonds, 1918.  
 A. A. Stevens,<sup>1</sup> Wenatchee, 1919.  
 O. D. McDonald, Bellingham, 1920.

Jno. E. Phelps, Ritzville, 1889, transferred from Missouri.  
 E. A. Shores,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.

## WEST VIRGINIA (28).

[Organized Apr. 9, 1868. Reorganized Feb. 29, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 659 ; posts, 25.]

Department commander-----	H. S. White <sup>1</sup> -----	Matewan.
Senior vice department commander---	W. S. Clark <sup>1</sup> -----	Harrisville.
Junior vice department commander---	T. S. Bonar <sup>1</sup> -----	Moundsville.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Hugh Martindale <sup>1</sup> -----	Huntington.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Peter Loy, Sisterville.  
 J. P. Stewart.<sup>1</sup> Moundsville.  
 J. C. Lewellen.<sup>1</sup> Grafton.

## ALTERNATES.

W. N. Egdell,<sup>1</sup> Clarksburg.  
 S. Lemmon, Wheeling.  
 Wm. Keely, Charleston.

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>38</sup> Junior vice commander in chief.



WEST VIRGINIA—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. Flick, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Alex C. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
C. R. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	O. H. Michaelson, Charleston, 1904.
John Carlin, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	J. W. Shroyer, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
G. W. Taggart, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Thomas M. Mills, <sup>1</sup> New Martinsville,
Lee Haymond, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	1906.
R. E. Fleming, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	I. M. Adams, <sup>1</sup> Ravenswood, 1907.
S. S. Hazen, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Thos. H. Marks, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
George Walker, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	D. Mayer, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
I. H. Duval, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. L. Caldwell, Huntington, 1910.
Chas. E. Anderson, Weston, 1892.	Thos. V. Salisbury, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Anthony Smith, Harrisville, 1893.	E. A. Billingslea, Fairmont, 1912.
F. H. Crago, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	John M. Millan, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
R. E. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	T. G. Hammond, Moundsville, 1914.
R. H. Freer, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	C. T. Reed, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Thos. A. Malsby, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	James T. Piggott, Parkersburg, 1916.
Richard Robertson, <sup>1</sup> Wheeling, 1898.	S. R. Hanen, Glen Easton, 1918.
Chas. R. Le Valley, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. T. Cox, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).
Arnold Brandley, Elkins, 1900.	L. B. Moore, Parkersburg, 1919.
M. B. Bartlett, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	W. S. Grafton, Wheeling, 1920.
C. C. Matthews, Moundsville, 1902.	

WISCONSIN (2).

[Organized June 7, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1920, 2,701; posts, 158.]

Department commander	M. L. Snyder <sup>1</sup>	Waukesha.
Senior vice department commander	Hiram H. Ward	Antigo.
Junior vice department commander	Harvey F. Myers	Hillsboro.
Assistant adjutant general	Jerome A. Watrous <sup>1</sup>	Milwaukee.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Henry Standard,<sup>1</sup> Greenbush.  
Tom L. Johnson,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee (N. M.  
H.).  
Alex Zeigler,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee.  
Henry Hase,<sup>1</sup> Muscola.  
G. W. Barker,<sup>1</sup> Waupaca (V. Home).  
Edward Hart,<sup>1</sup> Neenah.  
N. B. Hood,<sup>1</sup> Spring Green.  
Joseph Cooper, Racine.  
Henry Smith, Green Bay.  
William H. Howieson,<sup>1</sup> Chippewa  
Falls.

ALTERNATES.

Benjamin Collins, Sheboygan.  
Charles H. Lang, Madison.  
Joseph A. Turner,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee (N.  
M. H.).  
Edwin Rogers, Milwaukee.  
L. B. Allen, Waupaca.  
W. J. Ogle, Oxford.  
Frank Wilcox, Mauston.  
William J. Holden, Whitewater.  
J. H. Heath, New London.  
Frank H. Cutting, Bloomer.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James K. Proudfit, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	James Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1885.
H. A. Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1867.	Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
J. M. Rusk, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	H. P. Fisher, <sup>2</sup> 1886.
T. S. Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	Michael Griffin, <sup>2</sup> 1887.
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	A. G. Weissert, <sup>18</sup> Milwaukee, 1888.
A. J. McCoy, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	L. Ferguson, Brandon, 1889.
G. A. Hannaford, Boise City, Idaho,	Benj. F. Bryant, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
1874-75.	W. H. Upham, <sup>1</sup> Marshfield, 1891.
John Hancock, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	C. B. Welton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.
H. G. Rogers, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	E. A. Shores, <sup>42</sup> Ashland, 1893.
F. S. Hammond, <sup>40</sup> 1878.	J. A. Watrous, <sup>19</sup> Milwaukee, 1894.
Griff J. Thomas, <sup>41</sup> Harvard, Nebr.,	W. D. Hoad, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
1879-1881.	D. Lloyd Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
H. M. Enos, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	E. B. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
Philip Cheek, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	C. H. Russell, <sup>2</sup> 1898.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

<sup>40</sup> Transferred to South Dakota.

<sup>41</sup> See Nebraska.

<sup>42</sup> See Washington and Alaska.

## WISCONSIN—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Henry Harnden,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 S. H. Tallmadge,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 David J. James, Richland Center,  
 1900.  
 A. H. DeGroff,<sup>7</sup> Oakland, Calif., 1901.  
 J. H. Agen, Houston, Tex., 1902.  
 J. P. Rundle, Milwaukee, 1903.  
 Pliny Norcross,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 F. A. Copeland, La Crosse, 1905.  
 John W. Ganes,<sup>1</sup> Ripon, 1906.  
 John C. Martin,<sup>1</sup> Mineral Point, 1907.  
 E. D. Coe,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 R. B. Lang, Racine, 1909.

William H. Grinnell,<sup>1</sup> Beloit, 1909.  
 Frank A. Walsh,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee, 1910.  
 Hiram J. Smith, Racine, 1911.  
 George W. Spratt,<sup>1</sup> Sheboygan Falls  
 1912.  
 Chas. H. Henry, Eau Claire, 1913.  
 Samuel A. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 W. J. McKay, Madison, 1915.  
 O. L. Rosenkrans, Milwaukee, 1916.  
 W. A. Wyse,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 George D. Breed, Chilton, 1918.  
 Robt. R. Campbell, Green Bay, 1919.  
 Walter O. Pietzsch, Madison, 1920.

A. B. Crampton,<sup>1</sup> Milwaukee, 1914, transferred from Indiana.

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.



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DEPARTMENTS IN ORDER OF SENIORITY, ACCORDING TO DATES  
OF PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AS HERETOFORE ANNOUNCED.

No.	Department.	Organized.
1	Illinois.....	Apr. 6, 1866
1	Wisconsin.....	June 7, 1866
3	Pennsylvania.....	Jan. 16, 1867
4	Ohio.....	Jan. 30, 1867
5	New York.....	Apr. 3, 1867
6	Connecticut.....	Apr. 11, 1867
7	Massachusetts.....	May 7, 1867
8	New Jersey.....	Dec. 10, 1867
9	Maine.....	Jan. 10, 1868
10	California and Nevada.....	Feb. 21, 1868
11	Rhode Island.....	Mar. 24, 1868
12	New Hampshire.....	June 30, 1868
13	Vermont.....	Oct. 23, 1868
14	Potomac, provisional department, organized Aug. 6, 1867.....	Feb. 13, 1869
15	Virginia and North Carolina..... As department of Virginia; name changed to Virginia and North Carolina May 20, 1892.	July 27, 1871
16	Maryland, organized Jan. 8, 1868.....	June 9, 1876 <sup>1</sup>
17	Nebraska.....	June 11, 1877
18	Michigan, organized May 6, 1868.....	Jan. 22, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
19	Iowa, organized Sept. 26, 1866.....	Jan. 23, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
20	Indiana, organized Aug. 20, 1866.....	Oct. 3, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
21	Colorado and Wyoming..... As department of the Mountains; name changed to Colo- rado July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyo- ming Aug. 28, 1889.	Dec. 11, 1879
22	Kansas, organized Dec. 7, 1866.....	Mar. 16, 1880 <sup>1</sup>
23	Delaware.....	Jan. 14, 1881
24	Minnesota, organized Aug. 4, 1867.....	Aug. 17, 1881 <sup>1</sup>
25	Missouri, organized May 16, 1867.....	Apr. 22, 1882 <sup>1</sup>
26	Oregon.....	Sept. 28, 1882
27	Kentucky.....	Jan. 16, 1883
28	West Virginia, organized Apr. 9, 1868.....	Feb. 20, 1883 <sup>1</sup>
29	South Dakota..... As department of Dakota; name changed to South Da- kota Apr. 11, 1890.	Fed. 27, 1883
30	Washington and Alaska.....	June 20, 1883
31	Arkansas.....	July 11, 1883
32	New Mexico.....	July 14, 1883
33	Utah.....	Oct. 8, 1883
34	Tennessee.....	Feb. 26, 1884
35	Louisiana and Mississippi..... As department of the Gulf; name changed to Louisiana and Mississippi June 13, 1888.	May 15, 1884
36	Florida.....	June 19, 1884
37	Montana.....	Mar. 10, 1885
38	Texas.....	Mar. 25, 1885
39	Idaho.....	Jan. 11, 1888
40	Arizona.....	Jan. 17, 1888
41	Georgia and South Carolina.....	Jan. 25, 1889
42	Alabama.....	Mar. 12, 1889
43	North Dakota.....	Apr. 23, 1890
44	Oklahoma..... As department of Oklahoma and Indian Territory; name changed to Oklahoma July 3, 1891.	Aug. 7, 1890
45	Indian Territory..... Consolidated with and merged into the department of Oklahoma May 19-22, 1908.	July 3, 1891

<sup>1</sup> Reorganized.





# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT

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## THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, AT INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 27, 28, AND 29, 1921.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1921—MORNING SESSION.

The Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened at English's Opera House, Indianapolis, Ind., on September 27, 1921, at 9.50 o'clock a. m.

The encampment was opened in due form by Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham.

Past Department Commander Silas H. Towler, of Minnesota, commandant of the Minnesota Soldiers' Home at Minneapolis, acted as officer of the day, and Comrade Chas. E. Hale, of Logansport, Ind., as officer of the guard. Comrades from different sections of the country, including the Old Guard of Ohio, constituted the guard, and all of these officers and comrades were diligent and active in their duties and measurably assisted the commander in chief in conducting the encampment in an orderly manner.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Will the comrades be seated in order that we may proceed with this Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. In that connection I want to call attention to the fact that the laws of this State and the rules of this house prohibit smoking. If I can give up smoking I know of no man that can not do likewise, and if he can not there is a splendid place out on the sidewalk for him to go and finish his smoke. It is not to be done here.

Officer of the Day, have you been able to locate seats for all the comrades that are present? If not, the overflow will have to go into the first gallery. The acoustic properties of the first gallery are better than any other place in the house. We want them all seated so that we can carry on the business of this encampment in proper order. Close the doors so that the noise from the lobby shall not enter.

(The delegation from Washington and Alaska not being able to find a sufficient number of seats on the first floor, was then seated in the first gallery.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, Officer of the Day, see that the comrades in the rear of this hall find seats. If not on this floor, somewhere else, so that we may have order and know what is going on. Then we will proceed with the encampment, and we will not proceed with the encampment until the comrades are in order.

Officer of the Day, I wish you would see that those doors are now closed and everyone that comes to the door seeking entrance send him



to the gallery so that we may proceed with our business in an orderly manner and the comrades may know what is going on.

Comrades, we have met here in the Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the transaction of such business as may come before it. I trust that the comrades will each for himself maintain order and quiet to the end that those of us who have unfortunately had our voices filed a little bit too much may be heard.

(The encampment was then called to its feet by the gavel.)

The chaplain in chief will invoke the Divine blessing upon the proceedings of this encampment.

Chaplain in Chief WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, in the first moment of this devotional service we would cherish tender recollections of those who can not appear, whose faces we are accustomed to see in these encampments but who have passed away from the opportunity of attending at this time. We would not only remember our beloved and distinguished leaders, Somers and Stewart and Gilman, but we would also remember with them those brigades which have marched on into the shadows—10,000 of them during the past year, 20,000 of the veterans of the Civil War.

O God, do Thou bless and comfort those who are in bereavement and sorrow. Our Father, we pray Thee to bless us who are gathered here. We thank Thee that we have come again to Indianapolis. We thank Thee for the inspiration that we have as we gather around that wonderful monument which awakens in our breasts the idealism, the patriotic sentiment which perhaps may have slumbered a little during these years of the past. We thank Thee that here they have not forgotten. Their memories are long and they appreciate and remember the services which we rendered in the dark days of the Nation's history. And we thank Thee also for the vision that many of these citizens as well as ourselves have of the value of those services in the onward progress of humanity and of the world.

O Lord, our God, we pray Thee that this meeting may not only be a renewal of patriotic devotion, but may it be a renewal of strength and courage and purpose to do our part in this great emergency in the history of our nation and of the world, so that everywhere in hamlets and villages there shall be some one at least of the veterans of the Civil War who shall still stand forth, for several years perhaps, as leaders in patriotic sentiment and action and devotion.

O Lord, our God, do Thou bless our country with freedom and with peace. Grant, our Heavenly Father, that we may be preserved for many years, for centuries to come, as a light to the nations of the world, and that with our great resources and our great power we may lead on in the onward progress of civilization and righteousness and of peace.

Bless, O God, the Peace Conference which is coming. Bless our President. Give to him wisdom. And bless all who are in authority in our nation and all the leaders of the people. And we pray Thee, our Heavenly Father, that through and largely as a result of our own patriotic endeavors, there shall be a freer, a better civilization coming in all the world; that the kingdom of God shall come and His will shall be done in earth as it is done in Heaven. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen. (Encampment seated.)



(Senior Vice Commander in Chief George A. Hosley was called to the chair.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Officer of the Day, you will please close those doors and allow nobody to pass in and out during the commander in chief's reading of his address. All of the comrades be seated and keep quiet, please.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, on yesterday unwisely I permitted myself to be urged to make an address in the open air. My days for open-air addresses, as I know, are over, but I could not resist the invitation on yesterday, and the result is that I will have to beg your forbearance and indulgence, for there is a limit. I fear, to the capacity of my voice.

(The commander in chief then read his address, as follows:)

## ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

### I. GENERAL.

COMRADES: Fifty-six years have come and gone since "the war drums ceased their throbbing and the battle flags were furled" and we "turned our happy feet toward our long deserted homes" and now, 56 years after the happy termination of the war, and 55 after the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic, we are met in national encampment assembled, to take counsel of what has been and what has not been done in the past and of what ought to be done in the future.

### II. NATIONAL ENCAMPMENTS.

The national encampments have been entertained during the existence of the Grand Army, by 35 different cities—Indianapolis 1866, 1881, 1893, 1920, and 1921 (five times); Washington and Boston four times each, namely, in 1870, 1892, 1902, and 1915—and 1871, 1890, 1904, and 1917; three times in Philadelphia, in 1868, 1876, and 1899; twice, eight times, namely, Cincinnati in 1869 and 1898, San Francisco in 1886 and 1903, Minneapolis in 1884 and 1906, Cleveland in 1872 and 1901, Chicago in 1875 and 1900, Denver in 1883 and 1905. Columbus in 1888 and 1919, Detroit in 1891 and 1914; and once each by St. Louis in 1887, St. Paul in 1896, New Haven in 1873, Harrisburg in 1874, Providence in 1877, Springfield in 1878, Albany in 1879, Dayton in 1880, Baltimore in 1882, Pittsburgh in 1894, Portland, Me., in 1885, Portland, Oreg., in 1918, Milwaukee in 1889, Louisville in 1895, Buffalo in 1897, Saratoga in 1907, Toledo in 1908, Salt Lake City in 1909, Atlantic City in 1910, Rochester in 1911, Los Angeles in 1912, Chattanooga in 1913, and Kansas City in 1916.

It will be observed that with this encampment Indianapolis will have entertained us five times; oftener than any other city. She came to the rescue in 1920, when another city that had been selected "fell down," and with but scant time for preparation did the best she could—and "the best is none too good" for the Grand Army.

This year city after city suggested that it would be glad to entertain the encampment, but as the months went by they all withdrew. and it looked as though we were in trouble in finding a place to entertain us, but Indianapolis, with commendable patriotism, came again to the rescue, and I sincerely trust that your experience this year will



again illustrate to you the splendid character of the patriotism, loyalty, and devotion to the Grand Army of this city.

When the first encampment was held here in 1866 its numbers were so small that I have no means of determining them. At that time the population of this city was approximately 35,000. The first authentic knowledge that I have of the numbers of the Grand Army is that conveyed in connection with the encampment at Springfield, Mass., in 1878, where they numbered 31,106. From that date on to 1890 there was a steady increase until at Boston we numbered 409,489. Thenceforward there has been a recession, gradual and steady. (At Portland in 1918 we had a membership of over 121,000, at Columbus in 1919, over 111,000, at Indianapolis in 1920, over 103,000.)

The reports of December, 1920, show a membership of something over 93,000. While the membership of the Grand Army has been increasing and receding, the population of this city has increased from approximately 35,000 in 1866 to approximately a third of a million this year. I may be pardoned for taking a just pride not only in the Grand Army of the Republic, but in the city of my birth, where I have lived all the days of my life, where I have grown with its growth and strengthened with its strength, and taken pride in its achievements, its history, and its devotion to the Grand Army of the Republic.

### III. DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENTS AND ITINERARY OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

My experience in visiting the various departments that I have been privileged to attend has been a delight to me. Everywhere I have been received with open arms and glad hearts, and my stay with them will always remain a bright spot in my memory. So far as I know, I met with criticism nowhere save in Boston and there the criticisms came, not from the comrades or any of their allied associations, but from outside sources and, without going into detail, I beg to say that the criticisms to which I was subjected have been a matter of gratification to me, and I have the consolation that I did what I ought to have done, and the criticisms taken were without just foundation or excuse.

To mingle with my comrades in their department encampments, to listen to their proceedings, to see the interest they take in the past, the present, and the future is and has been of course a great delight to me, but owing to the dates of meeting of the various encampments I have been unable to attend as many as I should have been glad to, and the travel has been unnecessarily burdensome on me and expensive to the Grand Army. To go to New England and then return to Indianapolis, to be at Hastings, Nebr., and return then to Indianapolis, and then go to Allentown, Pa., and then to Waterloo, Iowa, to return again to Indianapolis, go to St. Paul, Flint, and Binghamton, with the thermometer close to 100, is somewhat trying on one who has entered on the last quarter of his century. For the benefit of my successor I beg to urge upon the departments that early in the year they get into communication with the commander in chief and his executive committee and so far as possible arrange dates and a routing that will enable the commander in chief to visit the largest



number of departments without being required to double on his tracks or incur the expense and burden of unnecessary travel.

Not being able owing to the duplication of dates to attend a number of encampments, I was compelled to ask others to represent me and the Grand Army, and I am very greatly indebted to Past Commanders in Chief Burton and Adams, Senior Vice Commander in Chief Hosley, Junior Vice Commander in Chief Gandy, and my adjutant general for the kindly and efficient manner in which they came to my rescue in attending upon these encampments.

#### IV. RATES.

In this connection I deem it proper to call the attention of the comrades to the difficulties we have met in connection with getting a reasonable concession in rates. Many years since when we were more numerous and of greater importance politically we uniformly obtained a rate for ourselves and our allies of one cent a mile, but later, our numbers and our importance having diminished, we received scant attention along that line. However, in 1918 when the country was engaged in a great war and as an incident thereto the Government took possession of the railroads, the authorities, in recognition of the patriotic efforts of us and our comrades in days gone by, conceded the old rate to the Grand Army and all affiliated organizations to Portland, Oreg. This was repeated the next year at Columbus and again here last year, but we soon heard intimations that the line was to be drawn on us this year.

We had received an invitation from Portland, Me., an ideal place for the holding of an encampment. If we met there, every man who had gone into the army west of the St. Johns River, and then followed Horace Greeley's fool advice to "go west young man and grow up with the country" would have a right to return to his old home and revisit the scenes of his childhood, and those from far western points, unfamiliar with New England and its beauties, might avail themselves of the opportunity to see a portion of the country as to which they had only vague and general information, but the New England Passenger Association was obdurate, and firmly announced its intention "not to abate a penny" and so Portland, perforce, was passed by. Then we had an invitation from Springfield, Mass., nearly as desirable for the reasons above stated, as Portland, except that the dividing line was the Connecticut instead of the St. Johns, but the association still held firmly to the proposition that from the New England line regular rates would be required from everybody, and so we were compelled to give Springfield up.

We were formally advised by the Central Passenger Association that the rate to the boys, their wives, widows, dependents, and army nurses would be a cent a mile, while to all our allied organizations, to whom we owe so much of consideration, and from whom we have received so much of care and assistance, the best that could be obtained was a fare and a half for a round trip. Feeling that we might be subjected to the reproach of deserting our well-beloved auxiliary and allies, I appeared with the executive committee before the Central Passenger Association, and suggested that if the rate to



the allies were reduced somewhat we would be willing to accept a somewhat increased rate for the boys, but for reasons that seemed controlling to the association, and that to me seemed unnecessary, they declined to vary from the 1 cent and the fare and one-half rates. In that connection I want to return my grateful acknowledgments to Bevington of the Trans-Continental, McLeod of the Western, and especially to Fox of the Central Association, for their unfailing courtesy and patient consideration of the Grand Army, its embarrassments and its necessities. I had feared that we might under the strain, have worn out our welcome, but however they might have felt underneath the surface, we were always met with courtesy, attention, wish to make public acknowledgment of that fact.

Somewhat belated, I learned by wire on the 27th of August, that the New England Passenger Association had finally fallen into line with the other associations, which I am specially glad to know. I would feel sore to think that the New England boys would not have the same opportunities of attending the encampment here as are accorded to the boys from all other portions of the country, but in that connection I want to express my regret that this action had not been decided upon earlier so that we might have had the opportunity to hold our encampment at either Portland or Springfield if we so desired.

#### V. THE REPORTS OF THE ENCAMPMENT PROCEEDINGS.

For many years there has been delay in getting out the report of the encampment proceedings. While the great war was on and every department of the Government was straining every nerve to meet the exigencies of the situation, the delay was inevitable, but when peace returned, although conditions at Washington were still somewhat topsy-turvy, we were justified in the hope that the liberality of the Government in printing our report would see to it that we got it at an earlier date—"Justice delayed is justice denied."

The department encampments begin usually late in March or early in April, and the report of the preceding encampment ought to be in the hands of every department before it holds its encampment for the year, in order that it might know authentically what if any changes have been made that will control their action. I have again and again complained to the chairman of the Printing Committee of the House of this delay and have before me at the preparation of this report, the statement of the Public Printer, that his first receipt of copy was on the 16th day of May, and that at the time of writing, August 13, there was still no index furnished. I make this explanation for the reason that it might be generally supposed that this delay was attributable to the present administration, but in doing so I want to remind you that that was entirely in the hands of the preceding administration and that I had no control over it whatever. I think I can safely assure the comrades that this year you will have the report of the encampment in your hands before any department encampment is held in 1922, and if I do not I will be justly subject to criticism.



## VI. IN MEMORIAM.

I desire to pay tribute to those worthy past commanders in chief, past department commanders, and the comrades who in their lifetime deserved so well of the Grand Army and rendered to it such efficient service.

During the past year death has laid a heavy hand on the Grand Army. Two past commanders in chief, 45 past department commanders, the assistant adjutant general, 3 members of the council of administration, and 9,281 of the membership have gone to

The little green tents where the soldiers sleep,  
And the sunbeams play and the women weep.

Orlando A. Somers, commander in chief in 1917 and 1918, was laid in his tent on the 11th of June. He served for over three years in the Eighth Indiana Cavalry, had been commander of his post, commander of his department, and commander in chief, receiving every honor that the Grand Army could confer upon him. As secretary and president of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, he served that organization with fidelity and honor. The Grand Army and especially the department to which he belonged will miss him.

John E. Gilman, commander in chief in 1910 and 1911, was gathered to his fathers on the 20th day of February, 1921. He had filled, with distinction and honor, offices in his post and his department, and had attained the summit of the ambition of a Grand Army man. While his service was but brief in point of time—Second Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg, where he laid his good right arm on the altar of his country, he gave a wreath that is still fragrant in the memory of the comrades. "One crowded hour of glorious life is worth an age without a name."

The time is too short to recount the services of the 45 past department commanders who have gone from us. Fitting tribute has been heretofore paid to them in General Orders, Nos. 4 and 7.

Assist. Adjt. Gen. John H. Holland died here May 10, 1921. His service was in the Ninth Indiana Cavalry. He was a splendid soldier and active, efficient Grand Army comrade.

## VII. MEMORIAL DAY.

The 30th of May is our holy day. We instituted it and for 53 years we have, in rain or shine, stood at the shrines of the men who died that the Nation might live, and paid tribute to their memories. No day in the year should be more absolutely free from commercialism or any sentiment except that of reverence and devotion to the memory of the dead. We still note with pain, that in too many localities sports of one kind or another are taking away the attention of the rising generation from the observance of this day. In many States, by legislation, it is protected from desecration, and in all it should be. If, with the assistance of our able and devoted auxiliary and allies, we are not able to inculcate a deeper reverence for the memory of the dead it will be a reproach to us.

Since our time the Nation has engaged in two wars, one great, the other small in numbers perhaps, but great in achievement, and in its effects upon the world. I commend to the careful consideration of



this encampment and to all the comrades who are to participate hereafter in these sacred proceedings, that they invite the cooperation and assistance of the soldiers of all wars and let it be not simply a Memorial Day for the Grand Army of the Republic but a Memorial Day for every man who died in the hope that his country might live.

VIII. LEGISLATION—(A) AS TO PENSIONS IN GENERAL AND (B) AS TO THE INCORPORATION BILL.

(a) No general modifications of the pension laws are at this time under consideration by the Grand Army of the Republic, except that a bill is now pending providing for monthly instead of quarterly payment of pensions. This measure is so obviously just and beneficial to the comrades that it is a matter of astonishment that it has not been enacted long since, and I sincerely trust that the incoming administration will have better success with it than I have had. But in that connection I want to recognize the efficient service of Comrade Henry Z. Osborne, of the Department of California, in securing the exemption of the pension from the terms of the income-tax provision. Under the Constitution the salaries of United States judges are not subject to any diminution on account of an income tax, and this is clearly just and unavoidable, even if it should be supposed to be not just. Why the salary of a judge should be free from diminution and this measure of recognition for what soldiers did in the dark hours of the Nation's history is difficult to conceive, except that the one is protected by the Constitution, while the other, although not protected by the Constitution, should be protected by an enlightened patriotic sentiment, and I think the thanks of the encampment are due to Comrade Osborne for his worthy work in that behalf.

There is one provision of the pension law that in my judgment ought to be modified. Under the law, as it now stands, no widow, however meritorious, deserving, or necessitous, is entitled to receive recognition, as such, unless she was married to the soldier prior to the 27th day of June, 1905 (sec. 4 of the act of May 1, 1920, and 41 Stat. L., p. 585). While it may be well supposed that our day of marrying has ended and that there should be a reasonable limitation and restriction to the benefits conferred by marriage on the surviving widows, there are many good women, deserving of recognition by the Government, who were married subsequent to that date and who were a great comfort and assistance to these boys in their old age, and I suggest for the consideration of this encampment and future legislative committees whether it would not be wise to extend this date from the 27th of June, 1905, to the 1st of January, 1915. The expense can not be very great, and a grateful Nation, desiring to honor these men who deserve well of their country, can well afford to see that when they are gone their widows shall not suffer the pangs of hunger or lack means of sustenance.

(b) The Fifty-third Encampment approved a bill for the incorporation of the Grand Army and it was introduced into the Sixty-sixth Congress, but made no progress. I was assured by members of Judiciary Committees of both House and Senate that the bill would be passed, but that there was so much of public matters pending that it could not be passed until after the convening of the Sixty-



seventh, when it surely would be. The bill reintroduced into the House in the Sixty-Seventh Congress was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, where an emendment was proposed requiring the Grand Army to designate in each State an officer upon whom service could be had, so as to permit court action in any State where anybody might desire to bring suit. There are localities in this land where the Grand Army is not esteemed as highly as it should be, and I have said to Congressmen that if a bill is enacted containing this obnoxious provision I would not recommend its acceptance by the Grand Army and did not believe that it would be accepted as I know it should not be. I made serious objection to this provision and another bill, conforming to the one approved by the Fifty-third Encampment, was introduced and referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia and the bill seems to be in a state of suspended animation.

#### IX. CHANGE OF NAME OF WASHINGTON'S GREAT MOUNTAIN.

The Fifty-fourth Encampment directed support of the measure before the Geographic Board to substitute for the name of (in Tacoma) Tacoma and (in Seattle) of Rainier, the name of Mount Lincoln. With Judge Chase, of the Department of Washington, I appeared before the Geographic Board with a number of my legislative committee, and urged their acquiescence in the action of the encampment, but the board incontinently turned down the application and it stands on the old names. Whether future action by the encampment is advisable or if taken would be accepted by the Geographic Board, I am in serious doubt, but I feel quite certain that until the citizens of Washington can agree on the matter there is no use for this encampment to take any further steps in regard to it.

#### X. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS TO OFFICERS: (A) TO MY IMMEDIATE STAFF; (B) TO OTHER OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES, AND (C) TO OUR AUXILIARY AND ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS.

(a) My acknowledgment and recognition are due to my adjutant general, Mahlon D. Butler, and my efficient secretary, Mrs. Emma S. Finch, and my assistant adjutant general, since deceased, for their hearty, intelligent, faithful assistance in connection with the duties of the office that they have filled. When we took hold of headquarters affairs we found them in quite a chaotic condition, and it took intelligent effort to bring order out of that condition. With their untiring devotion, their intelligent appreciation of the duties of their office, order has been attained, and the business of headquarters has been carried on without friction, and with complete satisfaction to myself, and, so far as I know, to all the comrades of the Grand Army. Mrs. Finch had had many years of previous experience in connection with the Department of Indiana, and while Comrade Butler had not heretofore had experience beyond the limits of the post, they brought to the discharge of their duties such a faithful appreciation, such a willingness in season and out of season to perform their duty, that I am personally under obligations to them, as in my opinion the Grand Army is, taken as a whole, and I



here, on behalf of the Grand Army, tender to them that recognition and appreciation.

(*b*) *The executive committee.*—Without exception the executive committee and all who have been called upon to render service in administering the affairs of the Grand Army have given to that service active, intelligent, efficient cooperation. At no time have I called upon any comrade, whether belonging to the executive committee or not, in vain, and if there is any measure of success in my administration it is due to their hearty assistance and cooperation, and I tender to them, one and all, my sincere thanks for the part that they have so well borne in the affairs of the Grand Army during the year past.

(*c*) I want to commend especially the intelligent, patriotic action of the patriotic instructor, the Hon. Smith Stimmel, and I wish to commend his report to the especial careful consideration by all the comrades.

(*d*) *The allied organizations.*—(1) The Woman's Relief Corps; (2) the Ladies of the Grand Army; (3) Sons of Veterans; (4) the Daughters of Veterans; (5) Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary have been instant in season and out of season in making the year a success. At many of the encampments the heads of these organizations appeared with me, and by their enthusiastic cooperation have succeeded in making of the department encampments that they visited an unalloyed and unquestioned success, and for this work of love they have my thanks and appreciation, not only personally but for the Grand Army taken as a whole. May none of them hereafter fail in giving to my successors the same loyal support that they have given to me.

#### XI. FINANCES.

The reports of the committee on permanent fund and of the quartermaster general and of the adjutant general submitted to this encampment will show that, notwithstanding our declining years, the organization is still vigorous and effective for much good. Without further detail, I refer the encampment to the reports on file and bespeak for them an intelligent examination and understanding.

#### XII. OUR AUXILIARY AND ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS AND THE WORK THAT THEY ARE DOING.

(*a*) The Woman's Relief Corps, (*b*) Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, (*c*) 1—Sons of Veterans, 2—Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, and (*d*) Daughters of Veterans.

Their reports show what every comrade in every post and every department knows—what wonderful assistance and support these organizations are to us in our declining years. The Woman's Relief Corps now numbers 213,558, the Ladies of the Grand Army now number 40,380, the Daughters of Veterans now number 20,000, the Sons of Veterans now number 51,062, and the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary now number 23,551, and each and all have been through the past year, as they have been in years gone by, of vital assistance to us, in our patriotic work, and I beg to commend them, one and all, to the hearty appreciation and support of all the comrades, not

simply of this encampment, but throughout all the departments, and all the posts in each department. In union there is strength, and intelligent and patriotic work have combined to give to them and to us a stand in the eyes of this Nation of which we can well be justly proud.

### XIII. IN CONCLUSION.

My days as commander in chief are nearing the end. Within 48 hours I will lay down the gavel, the duties, the responsibilities to which you have elected me, and take my place in the ranks. I could wish that I might have filled the position with more success and credit, but I have the satisfaction of knowing that I have done the best that I could and I turn the position over to my successor with no blot or stain on account of anything that I have done or failed to do.

During the course of a long life not a few honors have come to me, but there has been none that will compare with that of Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. The four stars that I and my predecessors have worn in peace and that were worn by Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, and Pershing in war, emphasize honors conferred upon the wearer.

To have been the head of this splendid organization for a year is a boon in which I, my children, and my children's children to the remotest generation, can take a just pride. It is a splendid one; one with which no merely fraternal one can compare. In the hey day of our youth we saved a Nation and made it free. We saved it not only for ourselves, our posterity, and the world, but for our foes, who with such splendid courage, worthy of a better cause, sought to tear down the flag of their fathers and disrupt the Nation cemented by the blood of those fathers. We saved the land not simply for ourselves and our people, but for the world. Had we failed in 1861 to 1865, who can tell what would have been the future of the United States of America? Certainly two, possibly many, Nations would have been the result, with a loss of power and influence in the history of the world that it would be difficult at this time to comprehend. Who is there that is bold enough to say if, instead of one great united Nation, we had fallen into a number of petty confederacies when Belgium, Italy, France, and Great Britain had been bled white in their efforts to stem the torrent of ruthless assault upon democracies and the right of the people, what would have been the outcome

In Flanders fields where poppies blow?

But when this Nation, compact and solidified by more than a half century of acquiescence in the results of the great war, came to the rescue and sent its millions across the water and was continuing its preparations to send other millions, as many as might be needed, to the rescue of the nations that were so bravely continuing the fight, the result was a foregone conclusion, and we can with confidence say that what we did in saving the Nation in 1861 and 1865 resulted in saving the world in 1917 and 1918, and it is no idle boast for us to recall what we did directly and indirectly through our sons and our sons' sons in the later great war.



But our accomplishments were not limited to achievements on the field of battle.

“Peace hath her victories no less renowned than war,” and the story of the achievements of the Grand Army for 55 years has added luster and fame to the history of the American people. Many feared when the time for disarming came in 1865 that these boys, who had been so stalwart a support to the country in war, would in peace become a menace, but the spectacle of 2,000,000 men laying down their arms, taking up the burdens of life and resuming the duties of peace, is one in which the world as well as ourselves takes a just pride. We have stood for purity in public affairs; we have stood for the honor of the Nation; we have furnished the shibboleth “on what rests the hope of the Republic—one country, one language, one flag.” Through all these years while the Nation was resuming its place and returning to the pleasant paths of peace, the Grand Army of the Republic has stood as a bulwark for all that was worthy and just in civil life, and this is one of the jewels in our crown. Our days of battle are over. Our hands can no longer wield the sword or the sceptre, but it is by no means to be understood that we are not still a vital living force in the land.

The world is topsy-turvy and it needs our conserving strength and influence to bring things back to normal condition. Pacificism has gone into the discard and is no longer to be feared, but Bolshevism, I. W. W. ism—all the aftermath that so frequently follows in the wake of war—still confront the Nation, and we now, as ever before, must hold fast to the ancient landmarks and see to it that all these plagues that threaten so mightily shall be rendered harmless.

We note with astonishment and indignation the recrudescence of an organization that a half century ago carried with it so much of terror and inflicted so much of shame on the communities where it held forth is again seeking to be revived in the morning of the twentieth century, as it died in the evening of the nineteenth. It may be that “That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet,” but I should be loth to see a rose on a maiden’s breast substituted by a flower, however beautiful and fragrant it might be, that went by the name of “the skunk lily.” I would be loth to see a George H. Thomas Post changed to a Henry Wirz Post. I would regret to see a youngster of the rising generation inflicted with the surname of Aaron Burr or Benedict Arnold in lieu of George Washington or Abraham Lincoln, and there is, and always will be, something in a name. If it be true that the Ku Klux Klan, recently incorporated under the laws of a State, however great and splendid its history, that in its earlier days saw fit to imprison a minister of the gospel in violation of the Constitution of the United States because forsooth he persisted in carrying the message of the lowly Nazarene to the poor Indian, that in later years permitted prisoners by the thousands to starve in the midst of plenty, and within but a few miles of the garden spot of the world, so much the more of shame to that State, and while we have scant influence where such a thing might be done, we should see to it that any organization, with so offensive and discredited a name, should not be permitted to invade State lines where we still have influence and strength, and with all the power that remains in us because of our past history,

standing, and achievements, we ought to set our faces like flint against all the evils of the modern day that are threatening—Bolshevism, I. W. W.ism, anarchy, Ku Klux Klans—whatever their name may be—that tend to throw a blight on the fair name of the land that we saved and still love, and so, standing as we do, in the shadow, and nearing the end, let our last efforts be, as were our first, to see to it that this land may be kept clean, free, and pure.

As I turn the gavel over to my successor and take my place in the ranks with the comrades, may I be permitted to give, as my last word, with Tiny Tim, "God bless us every one."

(During the reading of the paragraph "In Memoriam" the encampment was called to its feet, and the comrades stood with bowed heads.)

(At the conclusion of the address the comrades were called to their feet by the gavel, and gave three rousing cheers to the commander in chief.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The commander in chief's address will be referred to a committee, and I will name on that committee Past Commanders in Chief Ell Torrance, Charles G. Burton, and W. J. Patterson.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander and comrades, I have been delegated to discharge a pleasing duty, one that will be of interest to every comrade, and I hope and know will gladden the heart of Comrade William A. Ketcham. [Applause.]

From time immemorial the nations of the earth, kingdoms and empires of ancient days and of modern, have selected a standard as the symbol of their power and their majesty. Our symbol of Government is the Stars and Stripes. [Applause.] We of the Grand Army of the Republic love its union of blue, its 48 stars, and its white stripes and crimson bars. We love it not only because we were marshaled beneath it upon the battle front, but we love it now because as the result of our efforts it floats in the air to-day as the symbol of that righteousness which exalteth a nation and the condemnation of those sins which are a reproach to any people.

Out of the hopes, the wants, the desires, and the affairs of the individual innumerable organizations, political, religious, social, and moral have arisen. And universally those organizations have selected a badge as the symbol of the principles for which they stand. The badge of the Grand Army of the Republic, the eagle and the star, and the little button of bronze, are practically of no intrinsic value, and yet we of the Grand Army of the Republic are proud in the knowledge of the fact that the wealth of a Rockefeller, the piety like unto that of the late Cardinal Gibbons, the patriotism and impetuosity of the lamented Roosevelt, the eloquence of all the orators in all this land, can not buy or procure the right to wear it. [Applause.]

In connection with that badge, and as a matter of convenience and necessity, we have adopted certain indicia of rank, ordinarily of but little intrinsic value but indicating the particular office in the Grand Army of the Republic, whether in the post, the department, or the national organization, the wearer filled. Comrade Ketcham wears upon his breast the badge of the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. Theoretically, when he turns the



gavel over to his successor he will shift—aye, practically, he will shift the rank strap down half way upon the little flag and put at the head thereof the eagle.

But his staff and many of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic who know Ketcham and who love him, in testimony of their confidence, their esteem and their love, have prepared the badge of the commander in chief, quite ornate and beautiful to behold, and they have asked me to pin it upon his breast that he may wear it from now, and ever until the end shall come, as an acknowledgement, as a recognition before the world that he has been our commander in chief.

Comrade Ketcham, I have been delegated to pin this badge upon your breast. There is not a comrade in all the Grand Army of the Republic but knows that you, by your merit, have won the right to wear it. It is the hope of your comrades that you may live many years to wear it, but in the providence of God, though those years may be many or few, we all know that it will be worthily worn. [Applause.]

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief Hosley called the comrades to their feet by the gavel.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF, Commander in Chief Burton, Commander Hosley, and comrades, to say that at the end of a somewhat strenuous year I should not be happy, delighted, proud to have this expression of the confidence that you had when you selected me a year ago, conferred upon me would be untrue. Nothing that I ever had, nothing that I have ever enjoyed, nothing that I hope for in this life, represents to me so much of the pure gold of confidence, affection, and patriotism as this symbol of the Grand Army that has been now placed upon my breast. [Applause.]

Whether my days be few or many, whether I am privileged to spend years with you and my surviving comrades or the irony of fate will carry me to "the little green tent," so long as I live my heart will beat with pride and enthusiasm and appreciation when I remember the days of the year that have gone, and I look forward to the future in the expectation that this splendid body of men. Some of them may pass over the river and others may take their places, and they will be diminishing it is true. The sunset is coming, the clouds are lowering, our days of work and battle are nearly over, but we can all know that now and hereafter, when the last man of the Grand Army of the Republic has been gathered to his fathers, the name of the Grand Army of the Republic will stand high in the history of the world and will be revered by succeeding generations when our individual names have been forgotten. [Applause.]

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. Is a motion now in order?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If it has reference to reports of other officers?

Comrade HAMBRIGHT. Commander in Chief, without any criticism of any of the other officers. I move that all the other reports be received as printed, without reading, and be referred to the various committees.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All those in favor of that motion will manifest it by the usual sign. Contrary, no. It is a vote.

Comrades, I am requested to announce that the railroad offices stand ready now and from this time on to validate your tickets, either on the Circle or at the Union Station, without waiting until you get ready to go home. Whenever you have leisure you can have your tickets validated. You ought to have that done.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you that we now adjourn until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Hold that for a minute. I am requested to make an announcement. By some mistake it was reported that the aids on the staff of the commander in chief would meet with the chief of staff at 5 o'clock in Illinois Street in front of the Severin. Illinois Street is pretty wide and pretty noisy and pretty well occupied, and I am requested to announce that the meeting of the aids will take place on the thirteenth floor of the Severin in the assembly room, and the attendance of all the aids is requested—5 o'clock.

I will now announce the usual encampment committees.

Committee on quartermaster general's report:

Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.

Comrade Frank R. Chase, of Michigan.

Comrade William P. Wright, of Illinois.

(NOTE.—At the adjournment of the session it was reported to the commander in chief that Comrade Frank R. Chase, of Michigan, was not in attendance, and the commander in chief directed that the name of Comrade R. L. Chase, of Iowa, be substituted.)

Committee on reports of other officers:

Past Commander in Chief Daniel M. Hall, of Ohio.

Comrade Joseph E. Ewell, of New York.

Comrade Philip A. Nordell, of Massachusetts.

Comrade C. H. William Ruhe, of Pennsylvania.

Greetings to Army Nurses:

Past Commander in Chief Washington Gardner, of Michigan.

Comrade M. W. Wood, of Idaho.

Comrade Levi Longfellow, of Minnesota.

Greetings to Woman's Relief Corps:

Past Commander in Chief Clarendon E. Adams, of Nebraska.

Comrade Samuel Fallows, of Illinois.

Comrade Le Vant Dodge, of Kentucky.

Greetings to Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Comrade Wilbur F. Henry, of Missouri.

Comrade William James, of Florida.

Comrade Joseph A. Walter, of Kansas.

Greetings to Daughters of Veterans:

Past Commander in Chief W. J. Patterson, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade Fred A. Motley, of Maine.

Comrade Henry D. Fulton, of Illinois.

Greetings to Sons of Veterans:

Past Commander in Chief David J. Palmer, of Iowa.

Comrade W. G. Cochran, of Illinois.

Greetings to Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary:

Past Commander in Chief John R. King, of Maryland.

Comrade Frank O. Cole, of New Jersey.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Will you please allow me to withdraw my motion to adjourn? I looked at my watch and thought it was half-past 12. I forgot Indianapolis was an hour slower.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to ask Comrade Silas H. Towler, of Minnesota, Comrade A. C. Pierce, of Kansas, Past Commander



in Chief Torrance, and Comrade F. H. Hurd, of Washington and Alaska, to meet me at the Severin Hotel, national headquarters, at half-past 2 in the afternoon to serve with me as a committee to visit these various ladies' organizations.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I beg leave, sir, to dictate to the stenographer this telegram, which I have not had time to write, and then to ask my comrades to indorse it by adoption. To—

Mrs. JOHN E. GILMAN, *Boston. Mass.*

The comrades of your husband, meeting for the first time in many years with him absent, beg leave to assure you that we bear him in loving remembrance for the sacrifice that he endured, for the character as a man and a comrade that he developed; and to assure you also that the cry of our hearts is "for the touch of a vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still." Please accept from the Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, of which he was for so many years a beloved and inspiring member, our assurance that we bear you also—you who were his ministering angel in life—in tender remembrance, and trust that the grace of God may give you peace until the day and the hour comes for the reunion on The Other Shore.

I would like to have the commander in chief send that telegram over his name.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the motion. Is there a second to it? (Seconded.) It has been moved and seconded that the telegram which has been taken down by the stenographer shall be sent to Mrs. Gilman, expressive of our sympathy and affection for her and our regard for the memory of her husband. All in favor of that will signify it by rising. It is unanimous.

Comrade JOHN W. CARROLL, of North Dakota. I move you, sir, if it be in order, that a duplicate of the telegram be sent to the wife of Comrade Somers.

(The motion was duly seconded, put to the encampment by the commander in chief, and carried.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Have all of the departments sent up their names for the committee on resolutions and the council of administration?

Adjutant General MAHLON D. BUTLER. No, sir. I have here and will read a list of those departments which have not returned nominations for the council of administration and members of the committee on resolutions: Arizona, Colorado and Wyoming, Georgia and South Carolina, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and West Virginia.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What we are calling for now is the names of the members of the committees.

Comrade CYRUS A. B. FOX, of South Dakota. The name of our member of the committee on resolutions is W. W. Davidson.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We have an excellent stenographer, but in order that there shall be no possible mistake I ask the assistant adjutant general of each of these departments who have not sent in the name of their committeeman on resolutions and their nomination for the council of administration, to send them in in writing so there may be no question about it hereafter.

Adjutant General BUTLER. There may be a possibility that one or more of these may have been misplaced in the multifarious re-

ports that have been received down there, so it will do no harm to give us a duplicate.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there be any resolutions that are asked to be considered by the committee, I trust that you will pass them up to the adjutant general so that there may be no omission.

While I am on my feet I will say that I have always felt and I feel now that instead of the commander in chief undertaking to dictate to the committee on resolutions who should be their chairman, that that committee, the most important committee to serve for the Grand Army, should have the right and the duty of selecting their own chairman, and I will not, therefore, indicate a chairman for that committee. But I will ask that Past Commander in Chief Charles G. Burton be designated as temporary chairman of the committee on resolutions to call them together, have them organize, and then do according to their own sweet will.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON, Commander in chief. I move that all resolutions be referred to the committee without reading and without debate.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. All in favor of that will say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is carried.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Up to two or three years ago it was the custom in the encampments for the commander in chief to order the departments to be called and the member of the committee on resolutions to be announced. Lately it has been assumed by the authorities at headquarters that the names should be forwarded in writing, and I can see to-day by the absence of so many departments sending their names in that the new custom is not very popular. I therefore move you, sir, that each department be called and each department announce its member of the committee on resolutions.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. Is there a second?

Comrade THOMAS E. BLANCHARD, of California and Nevada. It seems to me that the way suggested by the commander in chief is far preferable. Let the names come in in writing.

Comrade COLE. The committee on resolutions is a committee appointed by this encampment. It is not a committee appointed by the departments. The departments suggest the names and then the encampment ratifies the choice or rejects them. It is up to them, and the commander in chief hasn't got anything to do with the committee on resolutions. It is this encampment, and this encampment should select and does select the committee on resolutions. It is very apparent that the order of the commander in chief to the different departments to have the name of each member of the committee on resolutions forwarded to his headquarters has been disregarded. It was disregarded last year. It was disregarded the year before. Now why should we have an order that is not obeyed? If the commander in chief issued an order he should insist on that order being obeyed. This order has not been obeyed. It has fallen into desuetude. I want to go back to the old plan whereby there is no trouble, and each department announces the name of the committee on resolutions and the entire encampment knows who is on that committee.



Comrade BLANCHARD. My suggestion was simply that the adjutant general read the list and we confirm it.

Comrade HARMON BROSS, of Nebraska. Second the motion.

Comrade J. G. OULSON, of Illinois. I rise to second the motion of Comrade Cole.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion of Comrade Cole, of New Jersey, is now seconded. That is to say, that the roll of the encampment be called and each department announce the name of its representative on the committee on resolutions.

Comrade BLANCHARD. I move that the motion be laid on the table. (The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the motion made by Comrade Cole and seconded by the comrade from Illinois be laid on the table. All those in favor of the motion to lay on the table will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." [Calls for division.] The chair is of the opinion that the motion to lay the motion on the table prevails, and I will so rule unless a division is called for.

Comrade JAMES H. RILEY of California and Nevada. I called for a division before that decision was announced. I want a division on that vote.

Comrade COLE. This is such an important question I want to make a personal explanation, if you please.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This is no time for debate.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. A motion to lay on the table is not debatable.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This is no time for anything except a division. All those in favor of the motion to lay the motion of Comrade Cole on the table will rise and stand to their feet and be counted and sit down. In order to relieve from spending too much time I will ask those who are opposed to the motion to rise and let us look at them and I can then perhaps have a judgment whether they need to all be counted. All opposed to laying the motion on the table stand to their feet. There will have to be a count.

Those in favor of laying the motion on the table will stand to their feet. (The comrades standing are counted.) Those who vote in the negative on the motion to lay on the table will stand and be counted. (Count is made of those standing.)

The vote on the motion to lay on the table is 314 in favor of the motion and 167 opposed. So the motion lies on the table.

Comrade ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, of Indiana. Will the temporary chairman announce the time and place of the meeting of this committee?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Read a list of those departments who have not yet reported.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. The list of those not having reported now stands: Arizona, Colorado, and Wyoming; Georgia and South Carolina; Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, and Mississippi; Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and West Virginia. Now if any of these have reported the slips may have been misplaced or lost. I hope there will be no trouble making a duplicate report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, with your consent, and without it it will not be done: I will ask the temporary chairman of

the tentative committee on resolutions to announce the time and place of their meeting, and that when they meet if a name is reported by the assistant adjutant general of any department that has not yet reported the committee on resolutions would be at liberty to accept him as a member of the committee and proceed with the business. If objection is made to that the commander in chief is not proposing to be a boss. I am only making the suggestion in the interest of time. Is there objection to that method of proceeding? [Cries of "No."] Then it will proceed along that line.

Comrade A. G. BEATTY, of Iowa. Speaking from Iowa, we have already selected our committeeman. We have selected for the committee on resolutions Department Commander J. B. Harsh.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those of you who have not sent in your names for the general council and for the committee on resolutions that have them, will kindly send them up to the secretary—to the stenographer—and he will remain a reasonable time to get them.

I want to make an explanation, and I want to borrow your ears for a while. Last year the encampment met in Tomlinson Hall. New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Ohio, and Massachusetts, perhaps, could hear what took place on the platform. Nobody else could. It is the worst place to hold an encampment in that I know of except that place down in Washington where we met in 1915. In addition to that the United Mine Workers have had for a long time the control of Tomlinson Hall. They were willing to give us two evenings for our campfires, Monday and Wednesday evenings, and we were very grateful to them for doing so. We searched this town in vain for a satisfactory place to hold an encampment, and we found the best hall for that purpose was where we now are, English's Opera House; not too large, and large enough. But they made it a condition precedent that we should only have this hall during the forenoon. They had to have it in order to get ready for their evening performance, and when we adjourn today, under the circumstances, we must adjourn to meet here tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock instead of this afternoon, because we can not get in.

We will have a session here to-morrow forenoon and then, because we could do no better, on Thursday morning the session, and thenceforward as long as we sit, will be at the Masonic Temple at the corner of North and Illinois Streets. I make this announcement so that I trust no one will renew the motion to adjourn until 2 o'clock, because we can not get in here at 2 o'clock.

Boys, I hope you will bear in mind that it was only recently that we agreed to come to Indianapolis. We were in trouble for a long time and we had to do the best we could for a meeting place, and that is the best we could do.

I am open to any suggestions or anything else.

Comrade JAMES H. RILEY, of California. I would like to rise to a question of information.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I just like to give information.

Comrade RILEY. I would like to ask if a petition is the same as a resolution. I have got a petition to present to this encampment. Would it be proper to present that petition to the committee on resolutions?



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If you have a petition I think it would be advisable for you to present it to the committee on resolutions, and if they think it is not within their province it will then be reported in due form to the encampment, when you and the encampment may take such action as to you may seem wise.

Comrade RILEY. I thank you. That is all I wanted to know.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Burton was getting ready to make the announcement that the committee on resolutions will meet in the assembly hall of the Severin this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock for the purpose of organization, filling up the committee, and passing on all the resolutions that have been submitted to the encampment, and I hope that every department will see to it that they have a representative on that committee on resolutions, and that all the representatives will be there promptly at 2.30 so as to enable this encampment on to-morrow morning at half past nine——  
[Calls of "Nine o'clock."]

I have attended a great many conventions and a great many encampments, and I know in conventions it is regarded as wise, prudent, and good politics to get on the ground a little before the time and then have the advantage of position. But outside of that it has been my experience that if you call an encampment at 8 o'clock you will meet at 9 or half past 9. If you call it at 10 o'clock, it will meet some time. It was called for this morning at half past 9. We did not get to work until after 10.

There will be to-morrow the same commander in chief that there is to-day, and he now serves notice that at half past 9 to-morrow business will begin in this encampment if there is nobody here but the stenographer, the adjutant general and myself. [Applause.] Is there any other motion?

National Patriotic Instructor SMITH STIMMEL. I would like to make an announcement if I may. Comrades, we want a meeting of the department and post patriotic instructors at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the Marion Club, 234 North Meridian Street.

Past Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. I wish simply to make an announcement that the committee on officers' reports—not the commander in chief or the quartermaster general—but officers' reports other than those, are requested to meet me on the mezzanine floor of the Severin Hotel at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The other members are Ewell, Nordell and Ruhe.

Comrade JOSEPH A. WALTER, of Kansas. I would suggest that the names of the different committees be called again, because we could not hear in the back part here exactly who are on those committees.

Comrade J. ANDREW WILT, of Pennsylvania. I have a motion to make. My motion is, since we have had sent in to the adjutant general the names of the committee on resolutions and council of administration, although they have not been read to us, I now move that those names that have been sent in on the committee on resolutions be approved by this encampment and constitute the committee on resolutions and council. The committee is to meet this afternoon and they have not been appointed by this encampment, and so I make that motion at this time.

Comrade J. H. CROWDER, of Illinois. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is that the names already reported by the different departments for positions on the general

council and on the committee on resolutions be accepted by the encampment as properly constituting those two bodies. All in favor of that say, "aye." Opposed, "no." The motion is carried.

(Following is the complete list of the committee on resolutions as finally furnished to the adjutant general. For the council of administration, see the proceedings relative to the election of officers at page 125 of this Journal.)

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	Henry M. Austin.....	Bedford, Va.
Arizona.....		
Arkansas.....	Horace Wyman.....	Bentonville.
California and Nevada.....	Chas. H. Haskins.....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	H. O. Dodge.....	Boulder.
Connecticut.....	David W. Sharpe.....	New Haven.
Delaware.....	Wm. A. Reilly.....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	I. A. Spencer.....	St. Petersburg.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	W. M. Scott.....	Atlanta.
Idaho.....	M. W. Wood.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	W. F. Calhoun.....	Decatur.
Indiana.....	Robt. W. McBride.....	Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	J. B. Harsh.....	Creston.
Kansas.....	A. C. Pierce.....	Junction City.
Kentucky.....	Le Vant Dodge.....	Berea.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	Daniel Freeman.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	John Quincy Adams.....	Houlton.
Maryland.....	George Prechtel.....	Upperco.
Massachusetts.....	Henry Clark.....	Cambridge.
Michigan.....	Oscar A. Janes.....	Detroit.
Minnesota.....	S. H. Towler.....	Minneapolis.
Missouri.....	Charles G. Burton.....	Portland, Oreg.
Montana.....	J. S. Ohls.....	Sula.
Nebraska.....	John A. Ehrhardt.....	Stanton.
New Hampshire.....	J. C. Lewis.....	Milford.
New Jersey.....	Frank O. Cole.....	Jersey City.
New Mexico.....	John Greenwald.....	Socorro.
New York.....	Oscar Smith.....	Albany.
North Dakota.....	J. W. Carroll.....	Lisbon.
Ohio.....	W. H. Little.....	Canton.
Oklahoma.....	W. S. Tilton.....	Anadarko.
Oregon.....	J. G. Chambers.....	Portland.
Pennsylvania.....	L. F. Arensberg.....	East Millsboro.
Potomac.....	L. K. Brown.....	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	George E. Kent.....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	W. W. Davidson.....	Canastota.
Tennessee.....	John C. Mordough.....	Knoxville.
Texas.....	T. U. Johnson.....	Paris.
Utah.....	Ezra D. Haskins.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	C. T. S. Pierce.....	Vergennes.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	Edmund Reddick.....	Portsmouth.
Washington and Alaska.....	A. A. Stevens.....	Wenatchee.
West Virginia.....	L. B. Moore.....	Parkersburg.
Wisconsin.....	J. A. Watrous.....	Milwaukee.

Past Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. I now move that we recess until 9.30 to-morrow morning.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion, which has been seconded. The motion is that we now take a recess until



to-morrow morning at 9.30. Those in favor of that will signify it by saying "aye." Opposed, "no." It is carried.

(Whereupon the encampment, at 12.15 o'clock p. m., took a recess until 9.30 o'clock a. m., on Wednesday, September 28, 1921.)

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1921.—MORNING SESSION.

The encampment was called to order at 9.35 o'clock a. m. by Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Officer of the Day, I wish you would see that the doors to this hall are now closed so that the men that are in may be seated and the proceedings of the encampment go on. Close the doors and have them either go to the gallery or wait there until we can find an opportunity to open them for awhile and let them come in. But now I want the doors closed and everybody that is not here in his seat as they were asked to be on yesterday, wait until we get into condition to open again for them.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. I desire to inform you that the doors are closed and the outpost is duly guarded—the outside doors.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want the inside doors closed, too. The encampment will be in order and every man that is standing will take his seat, so that we may proceed in an orderly manner. (Encampment called to its feet by the gavel.)

Past Chaplain in Chief Philip A. Nordell will invoke the blessing of God upon the proceedings of this encampment.

Comrade PHILIP A. NORDELL, of Massachusetts. O God, Thou hast been our help in ages past, as we know that Thou art our hope for years to come. We can not understand Thy being; we can not enter up into all its magnitudes; but we rejoice this morning that we are convinced that Thou art our Father in Heaven and we are Thy children, and as a father loves his children so Thou lovest us and we can commit ourselves with all confidence and joy into Thy keeping.

We thank Thee, our Father, for the privilege of service in the days gone by, even unto the point of death if need be, and the sacrifice of life, Thy greatest gift to us. We thank Thee for all the privileges of service that have come to us in the days since then; and now we ask Thy blessing upon us as in Thy name we have gathered together this morning for the transaction of such business as may properly come before us.

In all the remaining days of our journey, be Thou our guide and our stay, until at length the vistas of the infinite future are opened to us. All we ask in Christ's name. Amen. (Encampment seated.)

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Commander in Chief—

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Nobody is to have any recognition from the commander in chief until they are seated. When they are all seated the commander in chief will recognize Comrade Cole, of New Jersey, and he will recognize nobody and we will transact no business until the comrades are seated, so that not only I but all the comrades may know what is transpiring in this encampment. It is not my encampment. It is your encampment, and you have the same right to know what is going on as have I, and if, with the use of the gavel and my voice, the officer of the day, and the guard, I can main-

tain such order so that you can hear as well as I what is going on, I will be glad; and if I can not, I will be disappointed.

Will the comrades back there get their seats and not waste any time in doing it. The officer of the day will see to it now that temporarily the inside doors shall be closed until we have proceeded with such business as is imperative, when those who are in the outer darkness may be admitted into the light. But wait a while, because they have not obeyed the admonition clearly given yesterday morning. Officer of the Day, are the doors closed?

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. The doors are closed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I do not desire to appear arbitrary, but I will be arbitrary if it is necessary to keep order in this encampment. Will the comrade find a seat somewhere?

Comrade Cole, of New Jersey.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Commander in Chief, I learn with sorrow that one of the oldest and most revered past commanders in chief lies at the point of death. I am proud to call him my comrade. I am happy to call him my friend. I move you, sir, that the Adjutant General of the Grand Army of the Republic telegraph the condolence and sympathy of this encampment to Comrade Weissert, of Wisconsin.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the very appropriate motion of the comrade from New Jersey. Before putting it I trust that I may be permitted to add a word, while the stray comrade is finding a seat, of commendation for Past Commander in Chief Weissert. If my memory serves me right, he was elected commander in chief at the encampment held either in Washington in 1892 or here in 1893. He has been a tower of strength to the Grand Army of the Republic, and in these, his last days, I want to voice not only the voice of the Grand Army, but my personal voice in commendation of Past Commander in Chief Weissert.

All that are in favor of that motion will stand to their feet. (The motion is adopted unanimously.)

(Following is a copy of the telegram sent to Past Commander in Chief Weissert:)

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 28, 1921.*

A. G. WEISSERT,

*Past Commander in Chief, G. A. R., Milwaukee, Wis.*

Your comrades of the Fifty-fifth National Encampment in convention assembled greatly deplore your illness and send you their love and fraternal greetings.

MAHLON D. BUTLER, *Adjutant General.*

Comrade CYRUS A. B. FOX, of South Dakota. I desire to state to you, Commander in Chief, that Past Inspector General Thomas H. Brown is lying on his deathbed in Sioux Falls, and we would like the same respect by this encampment that has been shown to Past Commander in Chief Weissert.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If the comrade from South Dakota will reduce to writing a proper message of condolence and respect for the comrade, and pass it up, I will take the liberty of saying that the encampment approves of it.

Comrade Fox. I will do so.



(Following is a copy of the telegram sent to Comrade Brown:)

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 28, 1921.*

THOS. H. BROWN,  
*Sioux Falls, S. Dak.*

The national encampment in regular session tenders you its heartfelt sympathy.

MAHLON D. BUTLER, *Adjutant General.*

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of Potomac. Commander in Chief and comrades, through a mistake of my own I did not get in some resolutions presented by the Department of the Potomac to the committee in proper time. Now I ask permission of the commander in chief and of the encampment to refer these resolutions to the chairman of the committee for consideration. (Handing same to the chairman of the committee on resolutions.)

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. I can not recall my committee.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You look it over and see what it is.

Comrade JAMES H. RILEY, of California and Nevada. I am in the same predicament as Comrade McElroy. I presented a statement containing a petition to the adjutant general. I wish you would have it referred to the committee on resolutions.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If there is no objection, the petition or memorial, or whatever it is, if the adjutant general has it, will be referred to the chairman of the committee on resolutions, and we will accept, unless objection is made, the recommendation of the chairman with regard to these resolutions.

Comrade HARMON BROSS, of Nebraska. Some comrades have come and taken part of our seats.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I know of no way of dispossessing a comrade after he has come and found a vacant seat, whether from Nebraska or elsewhere, that would not have been vacant if Nebraska had been there to take its seats at the proper time. The commander in chief will make no order on anybody under those circumstances.

Are there any further suggestions to come from any source? If so, we will now hear them. If not, let the doors be opened for a brief moment to admit the belated comrades. As they come in tell them to seat themselves pretty quickly.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. I would like to meet the members of the committee to wait upon the War Nurses at the close of this session, on the platform.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Gardner asks that the committee, of which he is chairman, to visit the Army Nurses, meet him immediately upon our taking a recess at noon to-day.

And now, comrades, opportunity will be afforded to you to whisper to your neighbors those messages of confidence and affection that you desire to do until the belated comrades have got in and taken their seats, when the doors will again be closed and you will be asked to hold your tongues except as you address the chair. [Applause.]

Comrade H. M. BLAKESLEE, of Washington and Alaska (speaking from the balcony). Yesterday morning the delegates from Washington and Alaska were told to come up here. This morning there

are but two of the delegates here. I do not know where the others have been placed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chair will suggest to the comrades from Washington and Alaska that they already have, to my certain knowledge, the very best seats in the house, and if he should abandon the good in order to hunt for something not quite so good, the commander in chief is of the opinion that Washington and Alaska will be in the condition of the dog that dropped the piece of meat in order to reach for the meat that he thought was in the water and was not. [Laughter.]

If Montana is prepared to name the member of the council of administration and the committee on resolutions, we would be glad to hear that announcement. It is a case of while the lamp holds out to burn Montana has a right to be heard from. Montana anything to say?

Now, comrades, we have cleared the decks. A little late, but we are ready now for business.

Past Commander in Chief W. J. PATTERSON. I would like to announce that the committee for greetings to Daughters of Veterans meet me on this platform at the close of this session.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Past Commander in Chief Patterson asks the committee who were charged with the duty of carrying greetings to the Daughters of Veterans to meet with him on this platform immediately upon the encampment's taking a recess, and of this you will take notice.

One personal matter. For many years an association that has been formed under the name of the Daughters of the Grand Army has been knocking at the door of this encampment, or encampments, for recognition, and uniformly that recognition has been denied. When I came to the hall this morning I saw a beautiful selection of flowers sent here by the Daughters of the Grand Army for myself. I suppose. I have no power and no disposition, if I had the power, to override the deliberate decision of a national encampment, and so I took the liberty of returning the flowers where they came from with the suggestion, with regret for the apparent lack of courtesy, that I was not authorized to accept that gift. I am not asking for approval of that action. I do not need it. It has been done. But I make this explanation lest some of you might think after while that it ought to have been made.

Now we are ready for business.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I rise to a question of information. I desire to ask you, sir, has any National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic extended any official recognition to any female organization outside of the Woman's Relief Corps? I have consulted the different reports of the national encampment, and I fail to find any such action, and I can see no reason why if any body of patriotic women should want to present flowers to the Grand Army of the Republic or want to present money to the Grand Army of the Republic, why it should not be received with thanks and acknowledgment. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. In the course of a long experience and acquaintance with affairs in national encampments this is the first time when I ever heard the suggestion that the comrade from



New Jersey lacked information on any subject [applause], and it would be a very extraordinary thing if any commander in chief should assume that he was sufficiently informed to comply with that request.

I can only say that again and again and again the Daughters of Veterans, the Ladies of the Grand Army, the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary equally and alike with the Woman's Relief Corps have been received. They extended to us the other night their greetings, and I received from them for the Grand Army donations of flowers and money, and I know no reason, comrades, why I should assume to undertake to move back on that line. [Applause.]

I am simply standing on the proposition that this encampment has said, that the previous encampments have said, that they would not recognize the Daughters of the Grand Army as an ally or any offshoot of the Grand Army. Is that sufficient?

Comrade COLE. Commander in Chief, I acknowledge that there are very few people that can give me any information——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Nobody can give you any.

Comrade COLE (continuing). —— in this particular case. I desire an official statement from the chair, because I firmly believe that the Grand Army of the Republic have never officially recognized any one of these organizations save the Woman's Relief Corps, and when some two or three years ago these young women were turned away from the door I think it was simply the whim of the then commander in chief—I don't know who he was, but I don't think he had any warrant for refusing them to come in or any warrant for allowing them to come in. I think he simply thought that there were enough of these organizations and he would let it remain as it was. But I firmly believe, sir, that any recognition which these women desire has already been extended to them, and I hope that when the committee on resolutions report this matter will be finally cleared up.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I would be glad to have the committee on resolutions or anybody clear up any matter that is in doubt, but I have expressed my views. I understand from Comrade Cole, of New Jersey, that he thinks that some commander in chief at some time thought—that is going too far into the uncertain and the indefinite. What he may think we have no means of knowing, except as he expresses it on the floor, and what he thinks some commander in chief thought is, to return to my law practice, hearsay evidence and not available at any time or in any place.

Any further business to come before the encampment?

Comrade JAMES E. BURNS, of California and Nevada. I think I can answer Comrade Cole's question. He says he thinks no national encampment has ever recognized any of the others except the Relief Corps. If the comrade will get the report of the meeting at Los Angeles he will find a resolution of this character. I can give it word for word, I think.

*Resolved*, That we recognize the Ladies of the Grand Army as efficient co-workers with us and all the objects of our order in teaching patriotism to the rising generation and in caring for the indigent members of our organization, their widows and orphans.

I presented that resolution first at Rochester. It was voted down. I then presented it at Los Angeles. It was reported favorably, unanimously, and carried unanimously, and is in the minutes.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade will take his seat. After this information has come to us the commander in chief desires to suggest that after this encampment has adjourned the comrade from New Jersey and the comrade from California imparl with one another and after they have imparled if they have any information to furnish to this encampment at a later date on it, this encampment will be pleased to hear from either or both of them.

The chair recognizes Commander Adams, from Nebraska.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. I have just a little item on which there will probably be no dispute. Your committee that was appointed to visit the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, have performed that pleasant duty. We took with us the compliments of the commander in chief and the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic, and we found them assembled in convention with over 600 delegates. They have already elected their president, and I presume this encampment will take notice and soon proceed to the business that they are here to perform. I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are there any further incidental matters to be called to the attention of this encampment before we proceed with business? If not, the officer of the day will again see that the inside doors are closed, so that we may proceed in an orderly manner, and the comrades that are standing will find seats now.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. Your order shall be obeyed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If the comrades can see no available seats immediately under their eyes they will find good seats in the gallery, and I trust they will not, with a search warrant in their possession, delay the proceedings of the encampment while they find a seat that can not be found.

The encampment will be in order. I am sorry there is not more rubber in this opera house, so we could extend it a little, but there is not. Now, comrades, we will hear reports from the committees. Is there any committee ready to report?

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. The committee appointed or named in your last general orders to prepare a memorial to Past Commander in Chief John E. Gilman is ready to report. I was named as chairman of the committee, but it was quite impossible for me to obtain the necessary information to incorporate in that memorial and I wrote to Comrade Philip A. Nordell, the assistant adjutant general of the department, a member of the committee and a very close friend of Comrade Gilman, to take upon himself the duty of preparing that memorial. The memorial is now ready to be presented, and I will ask Comrade Nordell to read it.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I would like to get together the committee that will visit the Ladies of the Grand Army—Comrade Walter, of Kansas, and Comrade James, of Florida. I wish to have them go with me at this time to visit the Ladies of the Grand Army.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade from Kansas and the comrade from Florida will tiptoe out of this encampment.



Comrades, lend me your ears, for you are to hear the story of one that was so well beloved by all the comrades of the Grand Army.

(Comrade Philip A. Nordell, of Massachusetts, then read the memorial prepared by the committee to Past Commander in Chief John E. Gilman, which memorial appears at page 215 of this Journal.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. I move the adoption of the memorial.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the question, which has been seconded, that this memorial be adopted and be printed as a part of the record of this encampment.

Comrade A. V. COLE, of California and Nevada. I would suggest to that committee that they cause the report to show that he fought at Second Bull Run before he did at South Mountain. Perhaps that would make no particular difference——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade will be seated. All the Grand Army will know that Second Bull Run took place before South Mountain, and that South Mountain is a preliminary battle to Antietam. I see no reason why this beautiful memorial should be changed or modified, and I will call upon the comrades on this motion to rise and stand with bowed heads in respect for the memory of Past Commander in Chief Gilman. (The members of the encampment rose to their feet.) The memorial is adopted and the incoming administration will be directed to transmit a duly certified copy of this memorial to the family of the deceased.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. By the courtesy of the commander in chief I was appointed chairman of a committee to prepare a memorial to the memory of our comrade, Orlando A. Somers, who died since we last met in annual session. Through no fault of the commander in chief or of his office I failed to receive the notice in time to get the necessary data to prepare properly a memorial. With permission of the encampment I would like to have the committee prepare it later and have it inserted in the minutes of the Journal of the encampment.

I desire to say further that while I had not expected to be here at the time, unable to dictate even a letter, I received a message from Comrade Somers saying—this was in February—"I never expect to be at another national encampment." It was a shock to me, for I looked upon him as one of our stalwart men who would long survive. He said, "Will you convey to the comrades assembled when they gather in annual session my warmest appreciation of their comradeship and their fidelity and devotion to me?" which I now do.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. By unanimous consent, unless I hear objection, time will be given to the committee on this memorial to prepare a report. This memorial will be presented at our session tomorrow forenoon. If there is no objection that order will be made.

Are there other reports to be filed?

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. The committee on resolutions is ready to report. Commander in chief and comrades, the committee on resolutions organized by the election of myself as permanent chairman and Comrade Cole as secretary. There were eleven of the departments that were not represented at that meeting. With Kentucky, which came in afterwards, there were still eleven that were not represented.

Quite a number of resolutions were introduced, all of which were considered. This morning I have received a whole batch of additional resolutions. I have not had time to read them and determine what they are. As to those, inasmuch as you have voted that my opinion should be accepted as the action of the committee and I haven't had an opportunity even to read them, I have got no opinion in reference to them. As to these I will lay them aside until we dispose of those resolutions which were acted upon by the committee.

Here are two resolutions, one in regard to asking Congress to increase the pension to \$72 per month and one in relation to the proceedings required of widows. Your committee report that these two resolutions should be referred to the committee on legislation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report. Unless there is objection the report will be adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. A resolution asking that any comrade in good standing shall be accepted as a delegate. We report that it ought to be laid on the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation of the committee, which is hereby accepted unless objection is made. It is accepted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. A resolution that Congress should enact a law providing for a National Memorial Day. The committee were of the opinion that under the powers delegated to the General Government under the Constitution the question of holidays and memorial days is a matter for each State to determine for itself. We therefore recommend that it lie upon the table.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation of the committee. Unless there is objection it will be approved.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is quite a lengthy resolution, and as I desire to preserve my voice I will ask Comrade Cole to read it.

(Comrade Frank O. Cole, of New Jersey, secretary of the committee on resolutions, then read the following resolution:)

Whereas in this year 1921 the survivors of the Civil War have arrived at the average age of 80 years; and

Whereas, an octogenarian address at this time to the Flag which they defended and preserved 60 years ago would seem an incentive toward patriotic emulation upon the part of the generations yet to come: Therefore be it

*Resolved by the Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic assembled in the city of Indianapolis, Ind., during the week of September 25 to 30, 1921, That a committee of seven be appointed by William A. Ketcham, the present Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, to formulate such an address, and that William A. Ketcham is hereby constituted one of the members of such committee.*

*\*Resolved further, That such committee of seven is hereby vested with full power to publish and circulate said address throughout the United States as their judgment may dictate and to call upon departments and national officers to aid them to further such end.*

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. The committee report in favor of the adoption of the resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report of the committee. I suppose I ought not to object to it, but I do. But there being no other objection it will be accepted as the act of the encampment. Proceed.



Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution changing the name of the mountain which up in Seattle they call Rainier and down at Tacoma they call Tacoma, to Mount Lincoln. We had it before us a year ago. The national encampment took action and I think the representative of the national encampment went before the proper board in regard to the change in the name. Your committee are of the opinion that as the last national encampment took such action that it ought to be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report and recommendation of the committee. Unless there is objection it will be accepted as the action of the encampment. It is so accepted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution which the committee recommend to be adopted, and I will ask Comrade Cole to read it.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey (reading) :

*Be it resolved*, That we disapprove the organization called the "Ku Klux Klan." Whatever may be its purpose, we believe its methods are un-American, and that its existence is a standing menace to constitutional government and to the open and impartial administration of the law.

The adoption of the name "Ku Klux Klan" indicates a lack of knowledge of the history of our country. The name itself is enough to merit the condemnation of all in whose veins flows the blood of the veterans of 1861-1865.

*Be it further resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Commander in Chief of the Sons of Veterans.

[Applause.]

Chaplain in Chief WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH. I believe that the comrades would like to vote on the adoption of the resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The commander in chief will suggest that in all probability the committee on the commander in chief's address will have had that matter fully before them, as they ought to have and I presume would, and unless there is objection the chair will rule that this recommendation and report shall come up later in connection with the report of the committee on the commander in chief's address. And I will so rule unless there is objection made.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I object. Commander in Chief, just a word. Then the word may go out that this encampment hesitated to denounce the Ku Klux Klan. Let this encampment speak now, and let the committee on the commander in chief's address fail not to denounce it. [Cries of "Vote."]

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. I am one of that committee and you can bet your bottom dollar that committee will do fully what this resolution declares in reference to it.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. Let's do it now. [Cries of "Vote."]

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. And therefore I agree with Comrade Tanner, let it go out to the world at once what is the position of this encampment.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. I desire to amend that resolution by adding that this encampment send a copy to the American Legion and to the Spanish War Veterans.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. On behalf of the committee the amendments are accepted. [Cries of "Vote."]

A COMRADE in the balcony. Send one to the President of the United States, too.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am in the chair and I am expecting to stay in the chair, and there is no use protesting. It is obviously the wish of this encampment to vote directly on this resolution, and you can not make anything too strong on that subject for the man who happens to be presiding over it. Now you have heard the resolution as amended. All in favor of that resolution as amended will signify it by saying "aye." It is unanimously adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution, very short but a good deal of meat in it. There were several resolutions concerning the same matter. One was to recognize as our allies, the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic, and, by the way, this morning I have been handed a photograph of the members of Women and Girl Workers of the Civil War, 1861-1865, taken two months after their organization, May 8, 1918, during the Grand Army of the Republic encampment in Oakland, Calif. It is a fine picture. I should judge that some of them were workers during the Civil War, but it appears to me that some of them could not have been born until at least 40 years had passed since that event. Nevertheless, it created a good deal of discussion, and the committee by a large majority vote adopted this resolution upon the theory, without reflecting upon any organizations, we certainly had enough if not too many now [reading]:

*Resolved:* That no society of women which is not at this time associated or affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic, shall be hereafter associated, affiliated, or recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic.

The committee moves the adoption of the resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the resolution as it will appear in the proceedings. If there is no objection the report of the committee will stand approved.

Comrade JEROME A. WATROUS, of Wisconsin. Last June in the department encampment of Wisconsin we voted unanimously to request the national encampment this year to open the door to the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic, the same as it has been opened to several other now allied societies, just to be received as an ally with the others. A fine body of young women, they have been represented in national encampments—I mean they have been presented at national encampments several times and have sought to come here and give us their greetings. They never have been admitted. We feel that this organization can well afford to receive them, at least on a par with the other allied societies. They are all the daughters of Civil War soldiers, all of them.

Mr. Commander, I want to add this, that 25 or 50 years from now when the Daughters of Veterans are mentioned the people will ask, the daughters of what war? We have had two or three wars since the Civil War, and other wars are liable to follow. Let us give these people that title and let them go down with that title, and let all other women's societies receive that title, and centuries to come they will be recognized as the representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I would like to move an amendment to that report that we recognize them as our allies.

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief George A. Hosley was called to the chair.)



Commander in Chief WILLIAM A. KETCHAM. It is my deliberate judgment that no organization, male or female, black or white, of any kind, however patriotic they may be, ought to be permitted by the Grand Army of the Republic to tack to their name the "Grand Army of the Republic." [Applause.] That, in my deliberate judgment, ought to remain with us. We have acquiesced for 30 or 40 years in recognizing that affix to an organization and it is now too late, after having given that acquiescence, to withdraw it. But I think this encampment will make a great mistake if it ever again permits anybody except the Grand Army of the Republic to use the name that we have honored for 55 years.

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. I just want to call attention to the fact that some 8 or 10 years ago with that splendid comrade and Past Commander in Chief Beers we copyrighted the name of the Grand Army of the Republic, and it should not be used by any other society, as your commander in chief has stated.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are you ready for the question? There will be no gag law.

Comrade JOHN CARMICHAEL, of Illinois. Commander, we have at this time four different organizations of women.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There are many more in your rear than are in your front. I suggest that you face about, and the platform will take its chances on hearing what you say, and let the body of the comrades hear. I have sat myself in the rear so many times and heard nothing that I have a great sympathy for those who are back there. Talk to them.

Comrade CARMICHAEL. Comrades, we have at the present time four different organizations composed of women. Who are they? They are the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Daughters of Veterans, and the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary. We all know what they have done for the Grand Army of the Republic. There is an organization of women who call themselves the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. Who are they? They simply say they are the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. Comrades, there have been thousands and thousands of comrades who fought in the Civil War as soldiers, sailors, and marines. They say they are simply Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. They don't say they are the Daughters of the Veterans belonging to the Grand Army of the Republic. And furthermore, I wish to state to the comrades that those who call themselves the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic seceded from the Daughters of Veterans. Why? Because they could not run things to suit themselves and be boss and get enough. Comrades, they became secessionists. [Cries of "Time."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Perhaps somewhat arbitrary, but on this or any other question, unless the encampment shall order otherwise, I will take and assume the right to limit debate by any one speaker to five minutes and one speech. Therefore I take the liberty of calling you down.

Comrade JOHN C. MARTIN of Wisconsin. I rise at this time to relieve a delusion. Some of my comrades are laboring under a very

serious delusion. It can not be possible that we have reached that stage in our existence when we are in our dotage so much as that comrade not to know who the Daughters of the Grand Army are. The Grand Army is an organization composed of individuals; an organization of blood and flesh. I am a happy man to-day to say that I am the father of five splendid daughters, and I resent the imputation that they are secessionists. [Cries of "They are."] The blood flowing through my arm is in theirs. Hold on; don't pull your watch yet. I'll tell you when my speech begins.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I'll decide when your speech begins and when it ends.

Comrade MARTIN. The Daughters of the Grand Army are not secessionists. It was my good fortune 14 years ago to go to the city of Chicago at the request of the governor to attend a patriotic meeting there, and I met them. This was about six weeks after their birth, which was brought about by an application of 13 loyal women. More than half of them became my intimate friends and are now, and they are living. I took the pains to write and prepare an article covering these items. I have the names and the data of everything connected with that organization. For 14 years I have been an honored member of the organization, and there are not any more true, loyal women on God's earth, comrades, than our daughters. They are our flesh and blood, notwithstanding you have turned them down, notwithstanding you have said, "No, children, we don't own you. You are nothing but bastards." [Cries of "No."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Give attention.

A COMRADE. Let him use proper language.

Comrade MARTIN. I say that they are most loyal and most acceptable ladies, and I regret exceedingly the course that has been pursued. Much has been intimated that I thought I should refer to, so that I have somewhat of a garbled and hashed report to make. I certainly hope that the amendment to the resolution will pass, permitting those splendid daughters that have done so much and are doing so much for us to stand on our level and on an equal footing with the other organizations. It is not pleasant—they are our offspring; they are our daughters. When they see these reports every organization except this is recognized on the platform. [Cries of "Time."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The longer you call "time" the longer you will postpone the question. When a speaker is interrupted by a call for "time" it will be charged up against you and not against him. I want order in this encampment if I can keep it.

Comrade MARTIN. Two years ago they came to the outposts of that encampment. They sent in bouquets and the commander accepted them, but told the girls "We don't know you." That wasn't what he said, but that was the import. They felt very badly over that. They have sent flowers to this encampment. They have not presented themselves, but I assure you that they are just as loyal and they are going to remain just as loyal. They are not going to be cast down for one minute. They are the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. Listen. In the near future we are going to have two organizations only, in my opinion. They are going to be our flesh and blood, the same as the Revolution. They are going to be the Daughters of the



Grand Army and the Sons of the Grand Army. All other societies will pass out by natural limitation. But as long as our blood flows in our kith and kin, the record of this grand organization to which we belong and we are all so proud of will be perpetuated the same as the Daughters of the American Revolution. We might tie up——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Your time is up.

Comrade WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, of Massachusetts. I have listened with a good deal of interest here. We have heard that these ladies were secessionists, and we have been informed that they are not. Before there was any thought of any Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic there was an organization of the Daughters of Veterans. They had a member of the organization who was a candidate for national president of that organization. There was opposition to her. She wrote a letter, and I saw the letter, in which she said if she was not elected national president she would start another organization, and a year later——

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Commander in Chief, I rise to a point of order.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The point of order is overruled.

Comrade COLE. What is it?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Sit down.

Comrade COLE. Of all the arbitrary chairmen I ever met in my life.

Comrade WETHERBEE. I am not going to take any more time. We have got an organization which has been working with us for over 30 years. They have stood behind us and have done glorious work. If these girls out West and other places who have joined the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic, as they call themselves, are eager to work for the Grand Army as they have been doing, let them join the Daughters of Veterans where they belong. Daughters of Veterans, it has been said, means nothing. You must remember that that organization was organized over 30 years ago, when there wasn't any veterans but you fellows. The idea of future wars did not come into their minds. They had not at that time organized very many other societies in the way of daughters, etc. Now I understand it is before them and will be before them. The Daughters of Veterans propose to amend their title to meet the exigencies of the time. And I believe that this encampment here will have the good sense and feel that it is right that we should indorse our Daughters of Veterans and tell these other girls, splendid girls—I have seen them, and they are magnificent girls—tell them to join the Daughters of Veterans and get in and be of them. [Applause.]

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. I think the comrades understand the situation, and I therefore move the previous question.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The previous question has been moved by the chairman of the committee, the purpose of which is to end debate, and the question that you are now to vote upon is, Shall the main question be put? Those in favor of that will signify it by saying "aye." Opposed, "no." The main question is now to be put. The resolution will be read again.

Comrade COLE (reading) :

*Resolved.* That no society of women which is not at this time associated or affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic shall be hereafter associated, affiliated, or recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There was a motion to amend that by the comrade from Wisconsin.

Comrade JEROME A. WATROUS, of Wisconsin. My motion was to amend the report by admitting them as allies.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption of the amendment proposed by Comrade Watrous, from Wisconsin, which is substantially voting down the report of the committee, or resolved that all the people named there shall be admitted. All in favor of the amendment, not the resolution, but the amendment, will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." There is no occasion for division. The amendment is lost. The question now comes up on the adoption of the resolution.

Comrade JOSEPH H. PRESSON, of Nebraska. I move to amend by adding the word "officially."

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITS. Too late. The previous question is ordered.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We are now operating under the order for the previous question, and the chair is of opinion, unless overruled, that amendments are not now in order.

Comrade PRESSON. We just voted on one, now.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That had been made previously. There will be no amendment recognized unless there is an appeal from the chair. All in favor of the report of the committee say "aye." Contrary, "no." The ayes appear to have it. The ayes have it.

I hold in my hand a notice that the chairman of the national greetings committee of the Veterans of Foreign Wars is at the door desiring to be admitted, and I am informed that there will perhaps be other organizations, that have given greetings Monday night; and unless it is otherwise ordered by the encampment I will direct the officer of the day to say that anybody that desires to bring us greetings from any organization should report to-morrow morning; that we are engaged in business now that must not be interrupted. Is that satisfactory? [Cries of "Yes."]

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. I am directed by a committee of ladies from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic to present to you this bouquet of flowers for you to hold in trust and to put into the buttonhole of each of the members of the encampment. (Presenting large bouquet.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There is such a thing as adding to an enactment words that are not in harmony with the enactment itself. and all courts recognize the original and discard the other words. The commander in chief will accept from the Ladies of the Grand Army this beautiful token of their respect for the Grand Army and he will keep it all himself. He won't turn a particle over.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Here is a petition or request for information concerning one James Sweetzer of the Seventeenth Illinois Cavalry. The committee recommend that it be referred to Comrade John McElroy of the National Tribune.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation of the committee. Unless objected to it will be adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution in regard to the retirement of a Civil War veteran as a postmaster at the age of 65. We learn that the present Postmaster General has revoked



the order which called for this, and we therefore move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation of the committee. In the absence of a call for a vote it will be accepted as the action of the encampment.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one calling for a flag at every polling place. We move its indefinite postponement.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation of the committee. If there is no objection it will be adopted. It is adopted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one asking Congress to provide for the erection and maintenance of a National Home in a warmer climate. The committee recommend and move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. In the absence of objection that will be the action of the encampment.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution thanking Comrade Osborne, Member of Congress from one of the Los Angeles districts, for his services as a member of Congress in behalf of the comrades of the Grand Army. We move its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be accepted by this encampment in the absence of objection, and I hear none. It is accepted.

(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas the Hon. Henry Z. Osborne, former Senior Vice Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and now Representative in Congress from Los Angeles, Calif., secured the insertion in the revenue bill, which is now before the Senate and which recently passed the House of Representatives, of a section which relieves the pensioners of all the wars the United States has ever been engaged in from the necessity of including in their income tax returns the amounts received as pensions: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we hereby tender to Comrade Osborne, who is the only veteran of the Union Army and the only member of the Grand Army of the Republic now holding a seat in Congress, our most heartfelt thanks for the service specified.

*Resolved*, That there be forwarded to him a copy of this declaration of our gratitude, attested by the commander in chief and the adjutant general.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one in reference to the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, and their method of draping the altar. I will have Comrade Cole read it. The committee recommend its adoption.

Comrade COLE (reading):

Whereas it has come to our knowledge that our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, in its zeal to preserve the sacrosanct character of our national emblem, "Old Glory," has caused it to be removed from its altars and substituted there for a strip of meaningless tri-color upon which to place the Holy Bible, under the untenable theory that even the Scriptures placed on the flag detracts from its symbolic significance, and

Whereas embodied in our National anthem and engraved on all the minted coin of these United States is our motto "In God we trust," and firmly believing that the Holy Bible and the Star Spangled Banner are equally symbolic of our faith, love, devotion, and veneration, and that they coordinate our patriotic impulses in a marked degree: Therefore

*Resolved*, That we respectfully request our esteemed auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, to restore to the proper place on its altars the national flag, and place thereon the Holy Bible as the two most sacred symbols of our national life.

*Resolved*, That a certified copy of this resolution and its preambles be at once transmitted to national headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation. It will be accepted as the act of this encampment unless there is objection. I hear none, and it is so ordered.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution to change the name of the organization of the Sons of Veterans to the Sons of the Grand Army of the Republic. The committee were of the opinion that we had no authority or right in the premises now. This morning Comrade Martin, of Wisconsin, came to me and said that the resolution had been improperly drawn. He presented the address of the national commander of that organization concerning the change from the one to the other. In that address he stated, however, that the organization would not act without consulting this organization, and he has now handed me a resolution which merely requests the Sons of Veterans to change their name to the Sons of the Grand Army of the Republic. Upon the first resolution we reported we had no jurisdiction. Upon the resolution as modified making a request, in the light of that address, I take the liberty, under the authority conferred upon me this morning, to move that it be adopted. That is merely requesting the change. There is no reason in the world why it should not be done. You can not tell now—a son of a veteran of what war? But when they say they are the sons of the Grand Army of the Republic everybody knows who they are talking about. I move the adoption of the modified resolution.

Comrade JOHN C. MARTIN of Wisconsin. Why not the daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic?

Comrade WILFRED A. WETHERBEE of Massachusetts. That is just what we have said that they have no right to do; use the name of the Grand Army of the Republic or any other organization except our own. Sons of the Grand Army of the Republic. We have just said that we would not have the daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. My idea is, Comrade Wetherbee, that the copyrighting of the name does not prevent this organization recognizing the change of name either in the sons or daughters, and if I had written that resolution I would have requested both organizations to make the change.

Comrade WETHERBEE. If so, a copyright doesn't amount to anything.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. As one of the members of the committee on resolutions I am opposed to the resolution submitted by our chairman, and I am opposed to it because I do not think it is any of our business what organization takes the name or how often they change that name. And I hold, also, that the name "The Grand Army of the Republic" shall be retained sacred to this organization. And I therefore move that the resolution as now offered by Comrade Burton be laid upon the table.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion to lay on the table is not debatable, and there is a motion now to lay on the table the resolution offered by the committee on resolutions that we request or consent to the change of name. What you are now voting on is the question to lay that on the table. All in favor of laying the



resolution on the table will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." The chair is of the opinion that the ayes have it.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution concerning affiliation of the Grand Army of the Republic with the Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion. The committee recommend that it be referred to Past Commander in Chief Adams, who has that matter under consideration. I move the adoption of the report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation of the committee. It will be accepted unless I hear objection. I hear no objection. It is accepted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one authorizing a post to employ a secretary. Referred to the committee on rules and regulations.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That will be accepted as the action of the encampment unless I hear objection.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one asking Congress to take over the training of our youth and foreign-born population in the fundamental principles of American citizenship. We move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. It will be accepted unless I hear objection. I hear none. It is accepted.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one concerning the monthly payment of pensions. Referred to the committee on legislation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the recommendation of the committee. That is where it belongs. Unless I hear objection it will be assumed that it meets with your approval.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. A resolution requiring every commander in chief to have a copy of Lincoln's Gettysburg address printed, published, and distributed with every document. We conclude that under the practice that has prevailed for many years this is entirely an unnecessary resolution, and we move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Unless objection is made that action will be accepted as the action of the encampment.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one with reference to the legal status of a comrade in Tennessee. We ask that it be referred to the judge advocate general.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so referred unless objection is made.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. One to provide that in every State there should be the establishment of a fund for the benefit of widows. We move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so ordered unless objection is made. It will be so ordered.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Another one in relation to \$72 per month pension. Referred to the committee on legislation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so ordered unless objection is made.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is one concerning the restrictions on the Sons of Veterans as to uniform when they act as our escort. The resolution originally asked the rescission of the

restrictions heretofore made both as to numbers and uniforms. As to the number, it was stricken out. We think that 100 is enough. But we recommend that as to the style of uniform—there are but two organizations in the whole country that have got uniforms—that the restrictions be removed, leaving each executive committee or council of administration to determine at the time and place. We move its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Unless objection is made that will be done.

(Following is the resolution referred to:)

*Resolved*, That all restrictions heretofore placed on the style of dress of the Sons of Veterans, the official escort of the Grand Army of the Republic, in parades, be and they are hereby rescinded, and said matter is placed where it properly belongs—in the hands of the council of administration or the executive committee.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Now, here comes a resolution concerning which there was some discussion at the last national encampment. The committee on resolutions unanimously reported the resolution and it was unanimously adopted by the encampment. That resolution is as follows. Comrade Cole, you read it.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey (reading):

Whereas, at this and other recent national encampments the attendance has been so large that the lobby, halls, and elevators have been so congested that many comrades have been compelled to walk up long stairways in order to reach the national headquarters for the transaction of business now, therefore, in order to relieve the comrades from the evils of such congestion, be it

*Resolved*, That at the next and following national encampments, national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic shall not be located or maintained at any hotel where the national headquarters of any other organization, either of the auxiliary or of any of the allied societies, shall be established, or maintained, and the executive committee is directed to see to it that the provisions of this resolution are complied with.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Now, then, the resolution presented to our committee is as follows [reading]:

*Resolved*, That all restrictions heretofore adopted, by resolution or other action of this encampment, concerning the location of the national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic in hotels at national encampments, with relation to the national headquarters of our faithful auxiliary, be and they are hereby rescinded, and that we return to the precedents established and followed for 37 years.

Comrade COLE. I move its adoption.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. The committee by majority vote favored its adoption. The minority, of which I am one, believe that the action of this encampment one year ago was proper, right, and just. For a time we contemplated making a minority report, but believing that if a minority report was brought in here it would involve the discussion of the majority and the minority report, would involve this encampment in a very lengthy discussion and possibly an acrimonious one, and therefore the minority have not brought in a report. But I am instructed by them to move that this resolution do lie upon the table. [Cries of "No."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the report of the committee, in effect to rescind the action taken in this city one year ago in regard to the location of national, not department but



national, headquarters in the same hotel with the Grand Army of the Republic. It is now moved that that resolution lie upon the table.

Comrade JOHN A. EHRHARDT, of Nebraska. I desire to rise for information. This motion, as I understand it, is not debatable.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is not.

Comrade EHRHARDT. Now, then, has the comrade, the chairman of the committee, the right, although he has the power, to make a long speech and then move to lay it on the table?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The commander in chief will answer the suggestion, that if the comrade sees fit to stay asleep at the switch and listen to a long speech when there was no motion at that time made, I am helpless to help him out of his dilemma.

Comrade EHRHARDT. There was no time from the time he started until he made the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I have just answered the question. The question is now on the motion to lay the resolution on the table.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. I rise to inquire, can a minority instruct the committee to make a motion to nullify the action of the committee by a motion to lay on the table?

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. They did not instruct the committee.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is not at all material, I will inform the past commander in chief who wants information, and it is a delightful thing to find people that want information, who makes the motion. Any member of this encampment, whether he belongs to the committee or not, if he is an accredited member of the encampment, has the right to move to lay on the table, and that being the case I have recognized that motion, and it is not a matter for debate but for action.

All those in favor of the motion that the report of the committee do lie on the table will signify it by saying "aye." All those that are opposed say "no." [Calls for a division.]

The chair is in doubt on the question, where so many have voted one way and so many have voted another, and will not undertake to say where the majority lies, and therefore as a division is called for—the chair would do that if there was no division asked. Those who are in favor of the resolution lying on the table will stand to their feet and remain on their feet until they are counted. [Those favoring the motion rose to their feet.]

Comrade PATRICK H. CONEY, of Kansas (while the count was being made). What are we doing?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You are voting on the motion to lay on the table the report of the committee, as you were fully advised before.

Comrade CONEY. Why not take the count?

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. Commander in Chief——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The officer of the day will see that order is rigidly enforced. [Those standing were seated by the gavel.] Comrades, you are now voting, those who are opposed to the motion to lay on the table.

Comrade HENRY. That is the reason I am asking this question at this time.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If the comrade will sit down, we will proceed. Nothing will be done until he does sit down. The comrade will take his seat. Nothing will be done until he does.

Comrade HENRY. There is a dispute.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All those who desire that the report of the committee should lie on the table having voted, it is now for those who are opposed to having the report of the committee lie on the table to vote their sentiments. All who are opposed to the laying on the table will stand to their feet and remain standing until they are counted. [Those opposed to the motion stood and were counted.]

On the motion to lay on the table something less than 200, and it is not material the exact number, voted in favor of it, and something over—much more than 200 voted against it. So the motion to lay on the table is lost. The question now comes up—

Comrade J. G. OULSON, of Illinois. I rise to second the motion of Comrade Cole, of New Jersey.

Comrade COLE. Comrades, you understand the question. We want to get away. I move the previous question. The report simply means to rescind the action of last year, and allows the executive committee and the commander in chief to exercise their own judgment as to where the Grand Army of the Republic should go, and the Woman's Relief Corps.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion is now on the adoption of the report of the committee. All in favor of that will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." The ayes have it.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. I am directed by a committee from the Daughters of Veterans to present to you, with their compliments, this beautiful basket of flowers, and to say that to-morrow morning at 9.30, in accordance with your instructions, they will be pleased to come here and give you their personal good wishes.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. With the permission of the encampment, I will ask the officer of the day to return to the good ladies who are out in the hall the thanks of the commander in chief in as elaborate and fulsome a manner as he can.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. It has already been done.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chairman of the committee on resolutions has stated in your hearing, and reiterated it in mine, that there are a number of belated communications. I have taken the liberty of saying to the chairman of the committee on resolutions that he can take his own time between now and half-past nine to-morrow morning to ascertain the contents of those, if he thinks he can pass on them and bring in his report to-morrow morning; and if he thinks he needs advice on the subject, to call the committee on resolutions together and have a supplemental report; and I trust I have your approval.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Quite a number of these resolutions were referred to the committee on rules and regulations. I now ask the committee on rules and regulations to meet me right back of this scene, and we will take possession of the waiting room of the leading lady actress and transact our business.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The committee on rules and regulations will hear the instructions and obey them.



Now, comrades, I want to bespeak your careful and considerate attention. I want every comrade to remain in his seat while this report is being read. It is with reference to our illustrious commander, Ulysses S. Grant, and I want everybody to hear every word. The officer of the day will see that every man keeps his seat; that no man goes out and no man comes in while this report is being read. That is a pretty arbitrary order, but it must be obeyed.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE, Commander in Chief and comrades of the encampment, we are on the eve of a great anniversary, and I hope our comrades will be preserved to participate in it. There is but a small remnant of the armies of the Union surviving to-day. On the 27th of April next the centenary of the birth of Ulysses S. Grant will take place, and as chairman of the committee appointed under a resolution of a prior encampment I now present the report for your consideration and action. [Reading.]

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., September 28, 1921.

*To the Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic:*

Your committee appointed in accordance with a resolution adopted at the Fifty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic held at Columbus, Ohio, in September, 1919, to take into consideration the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Ulysses S. Grant, submit the following report:

"Our beloved and lamented comrade, James D. Bell, immediately following his installation as commander in chief, and as his last official utterance to the Grand Army, recommended the appointment of a committee to make suitable preparations for celebrating the centenary of the birth of Gen. Grant on April 27, 1922. In support of his recommendation, Commander in Chief Bell said:

'The greatest possession a nation has is the memory of its great men. Gen. Grant was one of the greatest of Americans. He was the successful leader of the Union Army in suppressing the rebellion. He remains the greatest soldier produced by our Nation. He was the most considerate and magnanimous of conquerors, while at the same time the most persistent and relentless of fighters. He is the unique representative of the most exalted Americanism—love of peace and supreme aptitude for war. Without a tinge of militarism, he exhibited on every field the highest military qualities. \* \* \*

'We who followed this great general, who believed in him and who still believe in him, should take some action in relation to his centenary that will tend to keep his memory and character a living force.'

"But little can be added by your committee to this just and beautiful tribute to Gen. Grant coined out of the patriotic heart of one of his gallant and devoted soldiers.

"Mount Vernon, Springfield, and Riverside testify to our origin as a Nation, to our national regeneration and to our national preservation.

"Washington, Lincoln, and Grant constitute an illustrious triumvirate in the American Pantheon of immortals. Neither time nor chance can dim the glory of their arduous deeds or diminish the lasting value of their services in the cause of freedom and the right.

"The event to be commemorated is one of nation-wide importance and should by a grateful people be made one of the greatest days in American history. The Grand Army of the Republic can not alone adequately enter into demonstration of the great event, but it can most appropriately lead in its observance, and by suggestion and example stimulate the people to pay their grateful tribute to the memory of America's foremost soldier and to make suitable acknowledgment to the God of battles for saving the Union from dissolution and in preserving to us and to our children constitutional government as established by our fathers.

"Your committee therefore recommends:

"First. That the National Government be requested to take appropriate action for the observance of the anniversary and that the Congress of the United States take such measures as may be necessary to assure the dedication

of the Grant Memorial at Washington on the 27th of April next. This action on the part of Congress we deem of first importance.

"Second. The State legislatures, governors of the several States, and municipal officers be urged to take suitable action to bring to the attention of the people the great lessons taught by Gen. Grant's steadfast adherence to his country's cause in the time of severest trial, and that all institutions of learning throughout the land be invited to celebrate the notable event, so that the deep embedment of Gen. Grant's life, services, and character in the thought and conscience of his contemporaries may be fastened with transforming power upon the minds of the youth of the present generation.

"Third. That special commemorative services be held at Point Pleasant, Ohio, the place of his birth, and at Riverside, N. Y., the place of his burial.

Fourth. Your committee further recommends that patriotic exercises be held in the schools and churches of the land, that the memorable occasion may not pass without leaving deep and abiding impressions upon the hearts of the young, and strengthen the faith of those who believe in the God of our fathers and in the priceless boon of civil and religious liberty. Your committee further recommends that the incoming commander in chief be authorized to formulate a program or order of exercises for the use of posts on that occasion, and that all members of the Grand Army of the Republic, in so far as they may be able, shall participate in some simple yet direct way in honoring the memory of Ulysses S. Grant.

"Fifth. That all patriotic societies and organizations representing the several wars in which the United States has at any time participated be requested to unite in the celebration of the anniversary, and that the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and all orders allied to the Grand Army of the Republic, be invited to join with us in honoring the memory of Gen. Grant.

"Sixth. That the incoming commander in chief be empowered to take such steps as he may consider appropriate to carry out the foregoing recommendations and to take such action as he may deem advisable to make the event worthy of the deeds and memory of our great commander.

"Seventh. That the commander in chief be authorized to appoint all necessary committees for carrying out the purposes and intent of the foregoing recommendations and that a copy of this report with its recommendations be printed and distributed to the departments and posts of the Grand Army of the Republic with general orders issued by the commander in chief.

"Your committee suggests that the published proceedings connected with the observance of the anniversary be, so far as possible, collected and preserved for such future use as may be determined on by the Grand Army of the Republic."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ELL TORRANCE,  
WASHINGTON GARDNER,  
W. J. PATTERSON,  
COLA D. R. STOWITS,  
HENRY J. SEELEY,  
W. S. MATTHEWS,  
JOHN B. INMAN,  
O. H. OLDROYD,  
E. L. HAWK,

*Committee.*

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of Potomac. May I have permission to address a question to the chairman?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Yes.

Comrade McELROY. What information or what assurance have you, if any, that that statue of Gen. Grant at Washington will be ready for dedication on April 27?

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. I have none; only the sentiment of the committee was that it should be done, and what should and ought to be done will be done.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. It has been 19 years and it has not been finished yet.



Comrade McELROY. We have waited 19 years. Most of the men—all of the men except Comrade Fallows that were on that original committee—have died. I have been watching this thing at Washington every year. Congress has appropriated \$5,000, or \$2,500, or \$2,000—I have heard it stated differently—for the exercises in commemorating or in dedicating this statue, at this last session. I have not been up there since last spring. I didn't know but what you had some further information. Last spring there were two plates to be put on there to complete the monument, and they told me then that the artist, who had been making excuses all this time that he had not——

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that the report of the committee be received and the recommendations adopted.

Comrade SAMUEL FALLOWS, of Illinois. I might throw a little light on this old question regarding that monument and its dedication. Nineteen years ago when the action of Congress was taken a commission was appointed, designating no individuals by name but simply by office, to erect and complete this monument. The officers at that time, Commander in Chief and comrades, were the President of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, the Secretary of War, and the Senator who was the chairman of the Committee on the Library of Congress. Now, there have been a succession of officers or men composing that commission.

At the present time the president of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, which I have the honor and responsibility of being, the Secretary of War, and Senator Brandegee of Connecticut are the commission. We are empowered to complete the monument, and when it is completed to turn it over to Congress.

The monument is not yet finished. I am in constant communication with the officer appointed by the Secretary of War to complete this great work. We have been waiting to call a meeting of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee when the monument was finished. We have just held a meeting of that society to determine what we would do, so far as its president—myself—and the chairman of the committee, to complete that monument, what action we should take.

There are two panels or three panels yet to be finished. The sculptor has stated to us that he has already spent \$20,000 of his own money to complete the monument. Congress appropriated \$250,000 for that purpose, and I think, Commander McElroy, that \$10,000 instead of \$2,500—so I understand—has been set aside by Congress for the dedicatory exercises, but I will verify my statement on that matter afterwards.

Now, here is the position we are in as members of that commission, and the Society of the Army of the Tennessee has instructed me as its president, and the secretary of that society, to ask Congress for permission to turn over the monument to them without being completely finished. If that is done, then our work as a commission is ended. It is not ended until we do make a report to Congress regarding the monument. So we are going to communicate—I shall have to, of course, being with the Secretary of War

and Senator Brandegee on this whole matter, in a very short time—we are going to ask Congress to take the monument as it is now completed and then turn over to them the monument.

They then will have the power to determine all about its dedication and the further exercises connected with it. Now we are going to do that, and at once we shall ask Congress to take the monument off our hands and discharge the commission. The Secretary of War and Senator Brandegee will concur in the action of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee. Then we are ready. I think that on the anniversary the monument will be dedicated, even though the two panels may be missing.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. The object of the resolution was to hasten that much desired event, because the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. Grant would be shorn of its crown if that memorial was not dedicated.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It can not be postponed.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. No, it can not be postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the motion. I think you are fully advised. All in favor of adopting the report of this committee will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." It is adopted.

Comrade FALLOWS. Excuse me. Won't this encampment back up the Society of the Army of the Tennessee in its desire to turn to Congress the monument, though it is not completely finished?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I can only answer that question in this way. If the present commander in chief was in condition to co-operate with the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, there would not be any question about what he would do, even if his action should be supposed to be arbitrary. But I can not speak for what the incoming commander in chief will do. He will speak for himself.

Comrade FALLOWS. Just one word further. It has been decided by the commission, by the Department of War, and by all the relatives of Gen. Grant now living what shall be put upon that monument. There was submitted to us a detailed account of Gen. Grant's performances. After mature consideration we came, all of us, to the unanimous conclusion that the one single word should be on that monument—"Grant." Washington! Lincoln! Grant! We do not want any other epitaph.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, just indulge me for a moment. I have perhaps seemed arbitrary in my position here, but I wanted this encampment to decide intelligently upon everything that they were to decide upon, and I knew they could not do it unless they knew what was going on, and I endeavored to preserve order.

I want to say that I am under deep obligations to this splendid encampment for the manner in which they have cooperated with me in that respect.

Just an announcement or two. Tickets for admission to the seats in what is to stand for the grand stand for 21 departments are still in the hands of the adjutant general, the assistant adjutants general not having called for them. They will know whether they have



called or not. If, upon the adjournment of this encampment, the adjutants of those departments will call on the adjutant general here, he will be right here to turn over the tickets to them, and if they do not come they will be treated like other lost property as best the adjutant general can.

One more word. The parade this afternoon is expected to begin promptly at 3 o'clock at the intersection of Vermont and Meridian Streets. The way will be cleared. Other organizations will be out of the way. But at that hour it is the expectation and the order that the parade will move, no matter who is there or who is not there. Nobody is to be admitted into the line of that parade unless he comes to that place. He will not be permitted to stand in front of Christ Church and then walk 15 minutes in the parade. If he is to be in the parade he has to be where the parade begins, and he don't get in any other place.

If for any reason he does not feel that he is able to walk the entire distance or any part of it, autos will be provided on Illinois Street and Pennsylvania Street where Michigan Street intersects, to take every man that does not feel willing or able to walk. But if he does not take those autos he does not get into the parade.

I want the active cooperation of this splendid body of men in the matter of that parade, as I have had cooperation this morning and on yesterday in carrying on the business of the encampment.

One more announcement. We have held this meeting place as long as we could, and I think we have done pretty well in having it this long. When we recess now, or when we do, it will be to meet to-morrow morning at 9.30 at the Masonic Temple at the corner of Illinois and North Streets. The entrance is on North Street. It is only a half mile from Washington Street, and every one of you can ride to that place on the best street car line in the city, and there will be autos scattered promiscuously about. I trust that you will bear with us in this change, because in that matter the committee on arrangements have done the best that they could. I am ready for a motion.

If you will listen just a moment. The adjutant general has in his hands the tickets for the departments that have not called for them, and if you will indulge us a moment he will call the roll so that those who don't know that they haven't got them will know.

(Adjutant General Mahlon D. Butler then read the names of departments for which he held tickets.)

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITZ. These are the tickets for the members of the council of administration. The general tickets have all been issued.

(Several comrades moved to adjourn.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the motion that we now take a recess until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, when we will reconvene at the Masonic Temple at the corner of North and Illinois Streets. All in favor of that motion will signify it by saying aye. Those opposed no. The motion is carried.

(Whereupon the encampment at 12.27 o'clock p. m. took a recess until 9.30 o'clock a. m. on Thursday, September 29, 1921.)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1921—MORNING SESSION.

The encampment convened at the Masonic Temple as per the recess taken on yesterday, Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham presiding.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. (9.30 a. m.) Comrades, you were very tolerant of me on yesterday, for which I am very grateful, but it was helpful to you in getting through. I trust that your patience is not exhausted and that you will cooperate with me in maintaining order and keeping silence so that we can have an orderly encampment.

I see no reason now to call attention to it, but you want to all remember that it is the law of this State, and the rule of courtesy and decency that when one man is with 50 or a 100 that object to smoking, he must do his smoking later in the day.

The encampment will be in order. The comrades will take their seats. The officer of the day will temporarily close the doors, and the comrades will take their seats.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. The door is closed, Commander in Chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chaplain in chief will invoke the blessing of God upon the proceedings of this encampment. (Encampment called to its feet by the gavel.)

Chaplain in Chief WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we render Thee our thanks for the events of yesterday that have kindled to a new flame the fires of patriotism in our breasts. We thank Thee for the great and successful parade of yesterday.

We thank Thee, our Heavenly Father, for the words that we have heard, for the songs that we have heard, and for Thy blessing that has rested upon this encampment. We thank Thee for the order maintained here. We thank Thee, our Father, for the resolutions and the decisions that have been made in the line of patriotic endeavor.

Now, our Heavenly Father, we pray Thee for Thy presence and Thy guidance this day. Bless all that shall be done, every measure that shall be taken.

Unite us, O God, more closely as our ranks are thinning. May we stand shoulder to shoulder in brotherhood, in unity, in love. Keep us, our Father, under Thy sheltering care. Preserve our lives and our health so far as it is Thy will, and bring us together again in the next encampment. We ask for Jesus' sake. Amen. (Encampment seated.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, we have with us, not the oldest Grand Army man, not the oldest soldier, not the only major general, but a man of years and dignity and accomplishment, and I will ask Gen. J. Warren Keifer, a division commander of the Sixth Corps, a Speaker of the House of Representatives, an honored member of this Grand Army of the Republic, to stand and make his bow to this encampment, and if he wants to say two or three words—mark it, two or three—we will listen to him with patience, and after that he will be called down.



Comrade J. WARREN KEIFER, of Ohio [great applause]. As a soldier of the Civil War I obeyed orders, but I am proud to be here and look you in the face. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars are here. May they be admitted, one man, and only one, to speak for them, and he not very long? May I admit them? [Cries of "Yes."] Let them come in.

While they are coming in I wish you would read this to the encampment. I haven't got voice enough to read it.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey (reading) :

BOSTON, MASS.

Comrade WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic, Indianapolis, Ind.*

The sympathy of my husband's comrades has ever consoled me in my sorrow, and I and both my sons value exceedingly your loving message. Please express to the encampment our grateful thanks.

MRS. JOHN E. GILMAN.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. Commander in Chief, I have the honor to present to you Comrade George S. Geis, past senior vice commander in chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Sons of Veterans.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Commander, I am glad to meet you, and I am glad to show you the finest looking body of men you have ever had the opportunity to look upon.

Mr. GEORGE S. GEIS, of Chicago, Ill. Commander in Chief, I agree with you that it is not only the finest looking body of men, but it is the finest looking bunch of men that we have in our whole country. It has been my privilege to meet them many times, but to-day I have the distinguished honor of meeting them, for I bring to you from the national encampment at Detroit, Mich., which met last week, of the organization which represents foreign service, the organization that represents three or four million of boys like you were 50 years ago, of boys who will be like you are 50 years from now, 100 per cent Americans and trying to follow the principles which your organization in years past set up for us; I come to bring the greetings from the boys who served in the Philippines, in China, in France, in Germany, in Siberia, and who carried the flag on foreign soil. Every one of them has served in the Army in time of war on foreign soil. It is the organization of Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

During the past year we have organized 26 departments. During the past year we have put in 600 new posts in many States and cities in the country. During the past year the national council of administration admitted the Grand Army of the Republic as honorary members, so you boys, all of you, are honorary members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. [Applause.]

I shall not take your time. You have lots of work to do. I want to say that my father is a comrade of yours, a member of Lyon Post, No. 11, of the Department of Nebraska, for many years. It has been my privilege to meet you in many national encampments. One year I was senior vice commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans.

If I should ask you how many of you had relatives in the late war among our 4,000,000 young men, I will bet that over 90 per cent of you had relatives in that war. We are carrying on the work that



you have begun. We wish you Godspeed, good luck, and good-by, and hope to meet you all in Detroit. I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade—I think I may say “Comrade” to you, although you are a little bit young to carry that designation—I will ask, on behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, Col. Clarendon E. Adams, who served in many wars, and with distinction and honor wherever he served, and who as a private citizen has earned the respect and honor of his neighbors, to respond to your welcome.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. Commander in chief, commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, I was very much impressed, commander in chief, with your introduction in representing to this young commander this mighty host of men that answered the call of Lincoln and performed one of the mightiest historical events that have come to any people. Your ancestors were the men that did that great and valiant duty. You are the lineal descendants of those men. I was glad, indeed, as was just stated——

(At this point there was a disturbance at the door when a comrade attempted to force an entrance against the efforts of the guard to keep the door closed.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want order and quiet at the rear. If I can not get it any other way I will ask the officer of the guard and the officer of the day to see that the offending members are removed. [Applause.] I want order.

Past Commander in Chief ADAMS. I have just gone down the line of the record of the men that this young comrade represents. I find that 67 per cent of them were the lineal descendants of the Grand Army of the Republic. That is the record in Washington, and they are among the noblest of our Nation to-day. Mr. Commander, will you take back with you the compliments and the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic and say to them that there is always a welcome for them at our meetings?

You might also say, sir, that the great implements that they used in their service which were so destructive were also used in our Army. We had flying machines, we had submarines, we had smoke screens. Now, that flying-machine proposition, every one of you was equipped with a Liberty motor. I was there and know what I am talking about. I flew. [Laughter.] The command flew; the division flew; and we would have been flying yet, sir, if the Johnnies hadn't quit shooting at us. You had your smoke screen, but you didn't know how to use it. You put it down in front of you and obscured your position. We put ours down, it was a dust screen, and we put our dust screen down in the rear of us, and we kept up a mighty good screen, too. [Laughter.] I thank you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The officer of the day will now admit everyone entitled to admission in the hall. [Applause.] The comrades will find seats as quickly as possible so that the business of the encampment may proceed, and it can not proceed until we have order.

Comrade CYRUS A. B. FOX, of South Dakota. Where does the committee on resolutions meet?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. They have met and are ready to report, and they will report just as soon as these boys get seated. If



the boys can not find seats on the floor, put them up in the gallery. They ought to have been here earlier and then they would have got their seats.

The commander in chief will now recognize Past Commander in Chief Burton with his supplemental report from the committee on resolutions.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in chief and comrades, under the authority conferred by the encampment, and with the help, aid and assistance of Comrade Cole, I have gone through the various resolutions that have been committed to the committee since its adjournment, and we offer as follows:

A resolution from the Department of Massachusetts asking the encampment to recommend the enactment by Congress of a bill now pending to pension the blind children of the veterans of the Civil War. We move its adoption.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Unless there is objection it will be acquiesced in by the encampment.

(Following is the resolution:)

*Resolved*, That the encampment indorse House bill 2882 to pension blind or partially blind children of persons who served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps during the Civil War.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. A petition rather than a resolution in regard to the demotion of Civil War veterans holding positions under the civil service. Referred to the committee on legislation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It will be so ordered unless objection is made.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution asking Congress to pass a law prohibiting the use of any language other than the English language in all public assemblies. This would cut out our professors at Harvard and Yale from talking in Greek and Latin, and might very seriously disturb other organizations. We move that it be indefinitely postponed, and for the further reason that Congress has no such power.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. It will be approved if there is no objection.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution in regard to the Lee Mansion in the Arlington Cemetery. The Lee Mansion was taken possession of by the Government. The heirs of Gen. Lee brought suit against the United States and under the Constitution recovered. Subsequently it was purchased by the Government and the title thereto is now in the Government, and the control of Arlington Cemetery, including the Lee Mansion, is under a board of commissioners. We entertain no doubt that either Congress or that commission will ever permit any desecration of the National Cemetery at Arlington; and we therefore move that it be indefinitely postponed.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Lee never owned that property. It was his wife's. The Government settled with the wife.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The action of the committee will be approved if there is no objection. I hear none.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution authorizing the Sons of Veterans to change their name. Your committee are

of the opinion that the Grand Army of the Republic has nothing to do with the domestic affairs of any of these organizations. They select their own name, and we therefore move it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so ordered unless there is objection.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. Commander, Past Commander in Chief Van Sant has submitted to me the following resolution with the request that I present it to this encampment in his absence, and ask that the resolution may be formally adopted by this encampment.

(Following is the resolution referred to :)

The Grand Army of the Republic takes a just pride in the splendid monument erected and maintained by the State of Indiana to keep alive the memory of her "Silent victors."

While this monument is by and for Indiana alone, its beauties affect not only that State and the Grand Army generally, but the visitor from every land that has the privilege of seeing it, and speaking in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic and for all soldiers living and dead, whose memory is honored by this monument, we learn with regret that suggestions are made to erect on the circle fronting it, buildings that, however beautiful in themselves, may tend to mar and belittle the monument.

So far as we have the right to do, we protest against any such action. To surround the monument with buildings of a greater height than those now there maintained would have a tendency to dwarf and belittle the monument itself, and we, in national encampment assembled for the fifth time in this city of Indianapolis, respectfully recommend to the authorities of the State of Indiana that there shall be no desecration by lofty buildings fronting this beautiful monument.

I move the adoption of the resolution by a rising vote.

(Which motion was duly seconded and thereupon was adopted by a rising vote of the encampment, without a dissenting voice.)

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution that was offered in connection with that photograph that I spoke of on yesterday. It is to provide recognition for a new organization in California known as the Women and Girl Workers of the Civil War. It was already disposed of by your action on another resolution. We therefore move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is so ordered.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. That is all, my comrades, except a resolution of thanks prepared by a subcommittee, which resolution Comrade Cole will now read unto you.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey (reading) :

This encampment extends to the city of Indianapolis our sincere and grateful thanks for coming to our rescue in entertaining the encampment this year when all efforts to secure invitations from other cities had failed. She came to our rescue in 1920 and she again, with commendable patriotism, came to our assistance this year and saved the encampment from a possible failure, which in the language of the commander in chief "illustrated to us the splendid character of her patriotism, loyalty, and devotion to the Grand Army of the Republic."

We extend to the citizens our thanks and appreciation for their hospitality for furnishing automobiles for our comrades and allied bodies, about the city. We also extend thanks to the street railways for their kindness in furnishing free transportation in their cars.

The Girl and Boy Scouts, ever active and diligent in looking after the wants of our comrades and visitors at this encampment, are deserving of our highest commendation for their services, and we therefore extend our sincere and grateful thanks for such service.



We feel thankful to the different passenger associations for the concession made in rates to this encampment, and wish to return our grateful acknowledgment for finally conceding the rates to this encampment. And to the representatives of the Transcontinental and Central Passenger Associations for their courteous attention and patience in the efforts to assist the commander in chief and executive committee to secure uniform rates to all attending this encampment. And finally we should not forget the press of this city which has so generously offered their columns to swing great publicity to our meetings, and to them we give our most sincere and grateful thanks.

We especially thank Governor McCray who gave to our executive committee \$7,500 from the State contingent fund and the mayor and city council who donated \$12,000, thus enabling the proper arrangements to be made.

We are particularly grateful to the United Mine Workers of America, who generously allowed us the use of Tomlinson Hall for two evenings.

I wish to add one more section to this resolution. These resolutions were prepared by the subcommittee in somewhat of a hurry and they do not include as much as should be included. I move to be allowed to add here our thanks to the Masonic brotherhood of Indianapolis for their great assistance in giving us this hall.

I move the adoption of the resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion. If there is anybody wants to have anything to say on it?

Comrade CYRUS A. B. Fox, of South Dakota. I just wish to state this. That last annex on there is perfect with one exception. I want to say to you, commander in chief and comrades, this is the best acoustic hall we have ever had. We can hear everything if we keep a little still.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What is the comrade's motion?

Comrade Fox. I want to say this hall has the best accoustics of any hall we have ever been in. We want the Masons here to know it. We can hear.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is all right. That goes with this.

Comrade COLE. I ask that this resolution as amended be adopted by a rising vote.

(Following is the amendment added:)

We thank the Masonic brotherhood for the use of their hall.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion and the request. All in favor of the adoption of these resolutions will stand to their feet. They are adopted unanimously.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. The committee on the address of the commander in chief is now ready to report.

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief George A. Hosley took the chair.)

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE (reading):

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 29, 1921.*

Your committee on the address of the commander in chief submits the following report:

"For brevity, completeness, forcefulness, and clearness of statement the address of the commander in chief stands unrivaled in the official annals of our order. From beginning to close it reveals a heart dominated by a spirit of true patriotism, a mind unaffected by ancient sophistries or modern follies, and a judgment unerring in detecting and exposing the perils that lie in the path of the Nation's progress and safety. That portion of the address condemning all organizations, public or private, that have for their object the open defiance of the laws of the land, as advocated by Bolshevists and I. W. Ws.,

or the usurpation of the power of government under the masked garb of Ku Klux Klans and Imperial Wizards is heartily approved.

"While the duties imposed upon the commander in chief were in some respects unusually burdensome and annoying, his courage and patience proved sufficient to overcome all obstacles and to crown the close of his administration with entire satisfaction.

"The Grand Army of the Republic is deeply indebted to him for the great service he has rendered his comrades during his official year.

"Your committee recommends that the address of Commander in Chief Ketcham be in all things approved."

Respectfully submitted.

ELL TORRANCE.

C. G. BURTON.

W. J. PATTERSON.

I move the adoption of the report.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that the report be received and adopted by this encampment and that the incoming commander in chief appoint a suitable committee to prepare a recognition and extend it to the outgoing commander in chief on behalf of this encampment.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The motion has been made and seconded as you have heard. All in favor of the motion prevailing, and as a courtesy to the commander in chief, will manifest it by rising. Opposed, the same sign. The motion is unanimously carried.

(The commander in chief resumed the chair.)

The OFFICER OF THE DAY. A delegation from the daughters, the same who brought to the encampment yesterday the beautiful basket of roses for yourself, are in waiting to embrace you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Admit the delegation from the Daughters of Veterans, but say to them that while pleased to see them in our encampment we will hear one speech and only one.

Past Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. The committee to whom was referred the reports of officers other than the address of the commander in chief and the report of the quartermaster general are ready to report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will be glad to hear the committee while the ladies are taking their time to come in.

Past Commander in Chief HALL (reading):

WM. A. KETCHAM, *Commander in Chief*.

COMRADE: Your committee, to whom the reports of the following officers were referred, namely, of the senior vice commander in chief, the junior vice commander in chief, the surgeon general, the chaplain in chief, the adjutant general, the judge advocate general, the inspector general, the national patriotic instructor, and the chief of staff, beg leave to state that as far as time has permitted, they have performed the duty assigned to them. All these officers have discharged to the best of their ability and with efficiency the duties incumbent upon their several offices.

Among the items in these reports that seem to deserve special mention is the wholesome advice given by the surgeon general respecting the means by which men who have attained the advanced age of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic may continue to preserve their health and strength during their remaining years. Careful attention to this advice will undoubtedly benefit all our comrades.

Special mention should also be made of the report of the chaplain in chief, who has taken the duties of his office very seriously and has extended his work



along lines not generally touched upon. His efforts to come into personal relations with all the departments and many of the posts throughout the country has involved a large correspondence, and his suggestions concerning a better observance of Memorial Day are worthy of all commendation.

It is therefore our pleasure to commend the activities of our officers in all their efforts in the interests of our beloved organization.

D. M. HALL.

PHILIP A. NORDELL.

C. H. WILLIAM RUHE.

(At this point the encampment was called to its feet by the gavel, and committees from the Daughters of Veterans and the Auxiliary to the Spanish War Veterans were escorted to the front by the officer of the day.)

(The committee from the Daughters of Veterans, composed of Miss Katharine R. A. Flood, of Massachusetts, Mrs. Lola Elliott, national senior vice president, of Iowa, and Miss Grace Hurd, of Washington and Alaska, was then presented to the commander in chief on the platform.)

MISS KATHARINE R. A. FLOOD, of Newton, Mass. Commander in chief and comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, there is an old saying, or rather the florists advertise it widely just now, "Say it with flowers." Yesterday we came over here prepared to come in with our greetings. We were told to come back to-day, so we said it with flowers and sent in our basket of flowers yesterday.

I bring you this morning, comrades, the greetings from our national president and our national convention. We know that you are busy and that you have much business to transact. They are holding up our election of officers until we return. So I simply bring you, commander in chief, and to the comrades of this encampment, the loving greetings and best wishes of your daughters in convention assembled. We feel for you all that a daughter should feel for her father. And so, comrades, we say with Tiny Tim, "God bless us every one." [Applause.]

THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will ask Past Department Commander McBride to respond to the greetings of the Daughters of Veterans.

Comrade ROBERT W. McBRIDE, of Indiana. I know I express the sentiment of every comrade present when I say to this committee from the Daughters of Veterans that no other organization holds or ever can hold a warmer place in our hearts than the Daughters of Veterans. You are our girls, our own flesh and blood. At your birth you each of you brought joy and sunshine into the home of some one of our comrades, and to-day you come to us as a national encampment again bringing joy and love and a promise of service. May your organization long live and prosper, and when the flowers bloom above the grave of the last of our comrades may your organization be great and strong and strew flowers above the grave of that as well as other comrades.

(The delegation from the Daughters of Veterans then retired.)

THE OFFICER OF THE DAY. Commander in chief, I have the honor to present to you two ladies representing the Auxiliary of the United Spanish War Veterans.

THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I desire to present for your inspection and hearing these representatives of the Auxiliary to the Spanish American War Veterans.

Mrs. MARIE C. WILLIAMS, of Indianapolis. Commander in Chief Ketcham and comrades of this grand body of the Grand Army assembled in your national convention, it is an honor for me to-day to respond and to represent the National Auxiliary of the United Spanish War Veterans. I heard the beautiful words of tribute just now from the organization of the Daughters of Veterans. The department president of Indiana, Sister Elser, of Huntington, is very much impressed, as she is the daughter of a Grand Army man. Her father died somewhere 11 years ago. I also am a granddaughter of a Civil War veteran. My grandfather entered the service from Wisconsin. I feel that because of the grand work that the Grand Army has done, and the daughters are in line to keep on for years after you have passed away, it would be our duty, having been impressed this morning with the ceremonies, through these daughters, that we should join that grand band of ladies, and I pledge to you that I mean that I shall put my membership in that organization.

I want to extend to you the greetings of the National Auxiliary of the United Spanish War Veterans, and to tell you that we love you, and we always shall love you, and after you have passed out that we shall go on loving you and trying to do for you as you would like for your own to do, as we believe, comrades, that we are your own, because in 90 per cent of the cases of enlistment of the Spanish War Veterans they were either sons or grandsons of the Civil War veterans, and they showed that they were in their grand volunteering. I do wish that you would let me extend to you the greetings also of the department president of Indiana. I know that you are busy, and I will not take any more of your time.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will ask the comrade from Montana, who has served in so many wars that I can not keep count of them, to respond to your greetings, Col. Wood.

Comrade M. W. Wood, of Idaho. I was told that Montana was in the northwest corner of the State in which I lived—Idaho.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. They are idem sonans.

Comrade Wood. Commander in chief, I had the good fortune to be in the Spanish-American War, as some of you remember, because it was only yesterday. That was not all beer and skittles by any means, as you all know. Although we had between 1,100 and 1,200 wounded from one of the battles, we had woman's tender ministrations with us in our care for them, for I had them under my charge. We are glad to see the Auxiliary of the Veterans of the Spanish-American War. We are glad to have you with us. We are glad to have all of these auxiliaries. We respect you highly. We keep you in our heart of hearts. I thank you.

Mrs. CLARA E. ELSER, of Huntington, Ind. My father loved you all with his whole heart, and it breaks my heart to think that he is not with you. But he is waiting over Yonder to greet you. My husband was a Spanish War Veteran, and my son fought across the seas.

(The delegation then retired.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I want to say that I have a deep sympathy for the lady who last spoke, for from my youth up, when there was no reasonable excuse for tears coming to my eyes, for the choking of my throat, I have been outraged and embittered many times, and I sympathize with the poor girl.



We have a report here that was not adopted on officers' reports. Past Commander in Chief LEO RASSIEUR. I move its adoption. (The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor of that signify it by saying "aye." Opposed, "no." The report is adopted.

Next is the report of the committee on the report of the quartermaster general.

Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa (reading):

*To the commander in chief, officers, and members of the Fifty-fifth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic:*

COMRADES: We, your committee to whom the report of the quartermaster general was referred, beg leave to state, that we have examined said report, including the financial exhibits reported therewith.

We find that the report of receipts and expenditures, including former balance on hand, is correct; that his accounts have been audited by proper subcommittee and reported to your executive committee, and thence to the council of administration, and each of said committees in turn has approved same.

Therefore your special committee recommends that the financial report of the quartermaster general be approved by this encampment.

Your committee further reports that we have examined the written part of said report as distinguished from the financial statement, and find same in harmony with present conditions of our organization, and we recommend that same be approved.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

J. W. WILLETT.  
WILLIAM P. WRIGHT.  
R. L. CHASE.

I move the adoption of the report.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the report on the quartermaster general's report be approved and adopted. All in favor of that will signify it by saying, "aye." Contrary, "no." It is a vote.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I desire, sir, simply to report that your committee appointed to visit the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and to take the greetings of this encampment to them have performed that duty. We found a noble body of women there that are performing their duties. We were received by them with due honors, and they desired that their greetings should be returned.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The report of the committee is received, and the committee is discharged.

Any further business?

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. Your committee appointed to convey the greetings of this encampment to the surviving Civil War Nurses desire to report that they have endeavored to discharge that duty to the best of their ability. We found but few of them left. The youngest is 81, and the oldest in her ninetieth year. It is the only bunch of girls I ever saw where each one seemed anxious to give her age. [Laughter.] They are cheery in the evening of life, grateful for what they were able to perform in their early womanhood, and proud to be associated in their declining years with the members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The report of the committee is received and the committee is discharged from further consideration of the Army Nurses, their ages or anything else.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. The committee to prepare a memorial to Comrade Somers desire to state (reading the memorial to Past Commander in Chief Orlando A. Somers, which will be found at p. 247 of this Journal).

Commander in chief, I move the adoption of the report of the committee.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the report of the committee be adopted. All of that opinion will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." It is adopted. The encampment will stand to their feet and with bowed heads pay mute tribute to his memory. (The comrades stand for a brief period in silence, with bowed heads.)

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. While on my feet, comrades, I desire to call attention to the centenary celebration of Gen. Grant. You remember well the report made yesterday by the chairman of the committee in detail as to the observance of that. You also recall the statements made by Comrade Bishop Fallows, president of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee and the only surviving member of the original commission appointed to secure this monument to Gen. Grant. They have been 18 years in its execution, under the direction of Congress. It is not ready yet, but it is so far ready that my belief is it can be inaugurated as a part of the centenary. The statute equestrian is in position. The positions of the artillery, the infantry, the cavalry—the groups—are all completed and in position. There are only, I am told, three panels yet uncompleted. A layman going there to-day would not know but what the monument was finished. It seems to us, as Comrade Torrance said yesterday, that the dedication of this monument at the seat of government by the high officials of the United States would be the crowning glory of the centenary of our great chieftian.

Now, I move, commander in chief, that this body accept the report of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee as their action and recommend that the statue be dedicated on the 27th of April next, finished or unfinished, as a part of the memorial exercises to Gen. Grant.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Does the bishop desire to be heard on that proposition?

Comrade SAMUEL FALLOWS, of Illinois. No; I have nothing to say, commander in chief and comrades, except that such action by the Grand Army of the Republic will be perfectly proper and in full harmony with the sentiments of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee, and I hope such action will be taken.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion, comrades, and I assume understand it. All in favor of that motion will signify it by saying "aye." The ayes are so numerous it is hardly worth while to suppose that there are any noes. The motion is carried.

Past Commander in Chief CLARENDON E. ADAMS. Commander in chief, we have just honored the name of the greatest soldier ever produced by this Nation. Alongside of that great name I wish to also remember the greatest intellectual giant and President that this Nation ever produced. I will read:

The name of Abraham Lincoln stands at the head of the world's elect and it is inimitably fixed. He lived to save his country; he died to consecrate it with his life's blood. He was truly American in spirit and in truth. And this brings



him closer to the hearts of all our people than any other man. From no other man has come such sublime sentiments of freedom and love, sentiments that have not only become the pulse beat of America, but have become the beacon light of liberty for the world: Therefore be it

*Resolved by this encampment*, That the life and public services of Abraham Lincoln should be taught in the public schools of our common country; and be it

*Further resolved*, That the various departments of the Grand Army of the Republic are hereby directed to appoint committees in their various departments, whose duties shall be to go before the legislatures of the various States of the Union and ask them to pass laws making the study of the life of Abraham Lincoln a part of the curriculum to be taught in the high schools of their respective States; also be it

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed by this encampment to prepare a model bill as a guidance for the committees of the various departments in carrying out this laudable undertaking, that such model bill be printed by our national organization and distributed to the various departments through the office of the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor of the adoption say, "aye." Contrary, "no." It is a vote.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. Commander in chief and comrades, your committee charged with carrying the greetings of this organization to the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary have performed their duty, sir, and I am charged by them to return the same to this body, and further to say they have changed their name to the "Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic." [Applause.] And further, that they were not satisfied, sir, with that check for \$250 which they handed to you last Monday night, but they have charged me with the very pleasant duty of presenting you with \$250 more. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report of the committee and the motion to adopt that report, which will in terms include the acceptance of the additional check. All in favor of the motion will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." The check is accepted.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in chief and comrades, the committee on rules and regulations report as follows:

An amendment is offered authorizing each post, if necessary, to employ a secretary. The object is this: A great many of the boys are unable physically to perform the duties of a secretary in noting the proceedings of the post. We have one here. Many of the departments have them. The post asks the same right. We move the adoption of the amendment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion and the recommendation of the committee. Unless objection is made it will be accepted as the action of the encampment.

(Following is the amendment:)

Whereas the advanced age and growing infirmities incident thereto render the work of post adjutants in many cases laborious: Therefore

*Resolved*, That the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic be so amended as to authorize posts of the order to employ a secretary or stenographer to be present at their meetings to record and transcribe the proceedings of the same in the journal kept for that purpose.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is another amendment of a specific article, chapter, and section, which provides that the quartermaster may be appointed by the post commander instead of

being elected. In many of the posts, owing to the limited number of comrades, the adjutant acts as quartermaster. Your committee are of the opinion that the amendment ought to be adopted, and we so report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report. Unless objection is made it will be assumed to be assented to.

(Following is the amendment:)

Amend chapter 2, Article VII, section 1, by adding the word "Quartermaster" after the word "Adjutant" in the first line, in the parenthesis, so that the section shall read: "Section 1. The post officers (the adjutant, quartermaster, sergeant major, and quartermaster sergeant excepted) shall be elected at the first stated meeting in December \* \* \*," et sequiter.

Add the word "quartermaster" after the word "adjutant" in second paragraph of the section 1 so as to read: "At the installation of officers, the post commander shall appoint the adjutant, quartermaster," et sequiter.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. At the last annual encampment held in this city one year ago you adopted a resolution providing that a suitable testimonial be given to the outgoing commander in chief. You will remember that he succeeded to the office made vacant by the death of Commander in Chief Bell, of New York. The great responsibilities of that office came upon him suddenly and unexpectedly, and we perhaps, some of us, in our minds—especially those of us who were so devoted to Commander in Chief Bell—feared that the Grand Army might possibly suffer loss. But we were happily disappointed, for this comrade of ours, coming out of the great body of our order, took upon himself the duties of that office and won the hearts and affections of every comrade who had the pleasure of meeting him, and performed his duties with great ability and acceptance.

You also directed that this testimonial be presented to him during the holidays, and as chairman of the committee I requested Comrade Matthews, former commander of the Department of Ohio, and assistant adjutant general at one time to Commander Hall, to perform that duty, and I will now ask him to supplement this report by advising you of the happy circumstances under which your orders were complied with.

Comrade W. S. MATTHEWS, of Ohio. Commander in Chief and comrades, as Past Commander in Chief Torrance has stated to you, the Fifty-fourth Encampment provided for the appointment of the committee to procure and present to Past Commander in Chief Hall a testimonial in recognition of his very valuable and important services during his administration. It was left with the discretion of the committee as to the nature or character of the testimonial to be presented. After due consideration and exchange of views on the part of the committee it was decided that we would present him, not with a silver dinner set or a piece of jewelry embellished with diamonds, but we would give him something that was more easily handled and taken care of or would be more practical.

So about the middle of December I received a communication from Past Commander in Chief Torrance, a communication in which was inclosed a New York draft for \$500. [Applause.] He suggested that this presentation might take place at some public function arranged for the purpose. But about that time I understood that



Past Commander in Chief Hall and Mrs. Hall would attend the Christmas festivities at the Xenia Soldiers and Sailors Orphans' Home. So I went to that institution on Christmas Day, and immediately after we had partaken of a very sumptuous feast of turkey, and while the guests were seated around the table, about 50 in number composed of many comrades and a large number of members of auxiliary organizations, I asked the privilege of addressing a few remarks to Past Commander in Chief Hall.

Now, whether Past Commander in Chief Hall was particularly surprised when I handed him this draft, I am not certain. I simply know that his eyes filled with tears, and there was a little choking in his throat, and he expressed very feelingly, indeed, his great thanks and gratitude to the comradeship of the Grand Army of the Republic for this very generous remembrance. Further than that this deponent sayeth not.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. Commander in Chief, I move the approval of the report.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It seems to be left in doubt from the report of Assistant Adjutant General Matthews as to whether that transaction met with the approval of Past Commander in Chief Hall, and so, as the Grand Army don't want any doubts about anything, I will ask Past Commander in Chief Hall to say whether the action of that committee meets with his approval.

Past Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. Commander in Chief and comrades, Comrade Matthews has told you correctly what happened on Christmas Day of last year. You all know how I came to be commander in chief, and I want to tell you what I said when the Department of Ohio indorsed me for senior vice commander in chief. I said to them, "Had I any idea that whoever you shall elect for commander in chief would not live out his term of office, under no circumstances would I take it, for I do not consider myself capable to fill that high and exalted position." But what I dreaded most, as you all know, happened in about five minutes. It came to me as a great shock. There was nothing for me to do but go to Brooklyn, attend the funeral, and be installed as commander in chief.

And without taking your time, comrades, I will say that during that year I did the best I could. Angels can do no better. [Applause.]

The committee that you authorized to procure a testimonial for me asked me what I wanted. I told them it was up to them—anything at all but a silver set, as I had no use for it. And as Comrade Assistant Adjutant General Matthews of the Department of Ohio has told you, they enticed me to Xenia on Christmas Day. I told him I was not going. I told another comrade that he sent to me to entice me down there that I was not going. But finally I think they got the superintendent of that institution to write me that they wanted me to come down there, and so I went. It was rather embarrassing to me and somewhat of a surprise when he presented me with that draft for \$500.

I want to say to you, comrades, that I have not the language to appreciate and to thank you and the committee for what they did for me. I will put that draft away and aim to use it in such a way



that I will always remember the generosity and always remember my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. I thank you. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I hope the comrades will all remain with us. We won't be very long. The past commander in chief did not categorically answer the question whether he had approved of the action of the committee, but it is fair to assume that he did so approve.

The next thing in order will be the selection of a place for the holding of the Fifty-sixth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, and on that question I will recognize Commander Jerome A. Watrous. In order that there may be no misapprehension about it, those who present a place will have five minutes to talk about it and no more, and if anybody wants to second any particular nomination he may have one minute and no more.

Comrade JEROME A. WATROUS, of Wisconsin. Commander in Chief and comrades, Milwaukee's delegation is here to extend you an invitation to meet in that city in 1922. It brought with us an invitation from the governor, the mayor of Milwaukee, the president of the common council, an invitation from the largest commercial club outside of Chicago in the West, an invitation from 18 mayors of the State, an invitation from all of the patriotic societies, and they all meant just exactly what they said. They want you to come to Milwaukee.

We began our campaign late. For various reasons which I shall not take the time to explain—to you people of Iowa, our neighbor, our sister State that we have been sending governors to and United States Senators to ever since your admission—you have chosen a few outside of Wisconsin men. We will admit that. We want perfect harmony in Wisconsin, and we want now, after having said what I have said, to make the motion that Iowa wins in the selection and that we meet there in 1922. We want you all to come and do likewise for Milwaukee in 1923.

I move, Mr. Commander in Chief, that Des Moines, Iowa, be chosen for our next place of meeting. [Applause.]

Comrade R. L. CHASE, of Iowa. I must say, Commander in Chief and comrades, that Milwaukee has kind of knocked the stuffing out of us. We did not expect it. And in behalf of the State of Iowa I thank them for this kind motion and taking my motion away from me. But I do feel like saying where we stand. I want you to come to Iowa knowing not only that we want to receive you with open arms, but we have the money to pay all expenses. [Applause.] I am not going to read these. I am going to file them with the secretary that they may be put on record. The last general assembly of the State of Iowa appropriated \$20,000 for part of your expenses. This money is put in the hands of our executive council, the governor, secretary of State, auditor, and treasurer. They are all Sons of Veterans, and they have said to me, "Doc, you O. K. the bills and we will pay them." Now, the city of Des Moines comes forward, and it is here, and it is going to be governed entirely by the committee representing the Grand Army of the Republic, and whatever they ask, Commander in Chief, the city of Des Moines is going to grant. I thank you.



(Following are the communications referred to by Comrade Chase:)

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, STATE OF IOWA,  
Des Moines, September 14, 1921.

Hon. W. A. KETCHAM,  
207 Statehouse, Indianapolis, Ind.

MY DEAR SIR: On behalf of the entire citizenship of Iowa I extend a most cordial invitation to the Grand Army of the Republic to hold its next annual encampment in the city of Des Moines. The general assembly of the State has made abundant appropriation out of the public treasury for the suitable entertainment of the meeting and every heart and hearthstone will be open with a most generous welcome for the gallant survivors of the great war.

I earnestly hope that this invitation may be accorded favorable consideration, and always with personal regard to you, I am,

Very truly, yours,

N. E. KENDALL, *Governor.*

CONVENTION BUREAU, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,  
Des Moines, Iowa, September 12, 1921.

Mr. R. L. CHASE,  
Past Department Commander of Iowa Grand Army  
of the Republic, Des Moines, Iowa.

DEAR Mr. CHASE: In cooperation with the State of Iowa, the Department of Iowa, local committees, the convention bureau of the chamber of commerce joins in extending a most cordial invitation to the G. A. R. to hold the national encampment for 1922 in the city of Des Moines.

In the event Des Moines is selected for the national encampment, the convention bureau will furnish without cost all required meeting places, guarantee adequate and satisfactory housing for delegates and members who will attend, organize local committees and attend to the necessary details involved in preparation for and during the encampment while in session.

The State of Iowa has appropriated the sum of \$20,000 for general expenses of the encampment. In addition to this appropriation and the above stipulations, the convention bureau of the chamber of commerce will assume such additional expenses as may be hereafter mutually agreed upon by this organization and the proper representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic.

As soon as the selection of Des Moines has been announced the convention bureau, under the direction of the national officers, will begin at once the organization of the local committees to the end that nothing may be left undone to make the 1922 reunion a complete success, meeting in every possible way the requirements and desires of the members of the Grand Army and auxiliary organizations.

The city of Des Moines and the State of Iowa will thoroughly appreciate this national honor and may be depended upon to do their part.

Yours, very truly,

G. E. HAMILTON,  
Secretary Convention Bureau.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE,  
Des Moines, Iowa.

STATE OF IOWA,  
County of Polk, City of Des Moines:

I, A. E. McGlothlen, city clerk of said city, hereby certify that at a meeting of the city council of said city of Des Moines held on September 19, 1921, among other proceedings, the following was adopted:

"Be it resolved by the city council of Des Moines, Iowa, The city council of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, in general session, learning that the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States will hold its Fifty-sixth Annual National Encampment during the fall of 1922, join the State of Iowa and others, including the Grand Army of the Republic of Iowa and their auxiliaries, and invite the National Grand Army of the Republic to hold said Fifty-sixth Annual Encampment at Des Moines, Iowa, in 1922.

"Moved by Barton the invitation be approved and extended to the Grand Army of the Republic at their national encampment.

"Motion carried.

"Yeas: Elliott, Frase, Miller, Barton. (4)

"Nays: None.

"Budd absent."

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written.

[SEAL]

A. E. MCGLOTHLEN, *City Clerk*.

CITY OF DES MOINES, DEPARTMENT PUBLIC AFFAIRS,

H. H. BARTON, *Mayor*,

*September 10, 1921.*

FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT,

*Grand Army of the Republic, Indianapolis, Ind.*

HONORED VETERANS: On behalf of the city of Des Moines, I desire to invite the Grand Army of the Republic to hold its 1922 encampment in our city. Des Moines would welcome an opportunity to be host to your great organization at that time.

Our city is centrally located. It is easily reached from any of the Northern States. Iowa's people are anxious to be hosts to the boys of 1861-1865. Des Moines has proved its ability to care for the largest conventions. This summer alone it entertained the National Shrine Conclave, the Northern Baptist Convention, and the National Educational Association.

Should you honor our city by a visit in 1922 Des Moines will do its utmost to make you welcome. We will outdo ourselves to see that no element of entertainment or hospitality its lacking. Des Moines invites the Grand Army of the Republic for 1922.

Respectfully submitted.

H. H. BARTON, *Mayor*.

DEPARTMENT OF IOWA, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

*Des Moines, Iowa, September 22, 1921.*

The Department of Iowa, Grand Army of the Republic, at the encampment held at Waterloo, Iowa, June 8, 9, and 10, 1921, unanimously adopted the following resolution, viz:

"Resolved, That the Department of Iowa earnestly request the national encampment to be held at Indianapolis September 26 to 29 to select the city of Des Moines, Iowa, for the national encampment in 1922."

J. B. HARSH, *Department Commander*.

J. Z. BENSON, *Assistant Adjutant General*.

Comrade WATROUS. I want to say that the council of Milwaukee immediately after we asked them—I want my friend here, Alderman Hase, to state that Milwaukee raised \$25,000 at once.

Comrade CHASE. We had \$40,000 raised.

Comrade HENRY HASE, of Wisconsin. I desire to say, comrades, that I am a member of the common council of the city of Milwaukee, and have been for 20 years. I speak for them and in behalf of Milwaukee. We have appropriated \$25,000 to carry us through, if we get this encampment this year or next year. We also have the assurance of the Association of Hotels that they were going to give up \$25,000 provided we succeeded in getting the encampment. We have the finest auditorium in this United States, I don't care whether it is in California or New York. [Calls for the question.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade is out of order for we are now proceeding to select the meeting place for 1922, and not for 1923. The encampment that meets at Des Moines in 1922 will settle that and we will have nothing to do with it. Are there any other



cities desiring to get into this game? If not, the motion of Comrade Watrous of Wisconsin that Des Moines, Iowa, be selected as our next meeting place is up. Are you ready for a vote? All in favor of that say "aye." It is a vote.

The next thing in order is the election of officers. Just a moment. Comrade Burton seems to want to make a report.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. A motion was made here on yesterday or this morning on the report of the committee on the address of the commander in chief that a committee of three be appointed to procure a testimonial for the present commander in chief. Comrade Stowits, the quartermaster general, is a mind reader. He knew that Frank Cole would make that motion and that it would be adopted. And therefore, assuming authority, he appointed Past Commanders in Chief Torrance, Adams, and myself. Anticipating the action, the committee have procured the testimonial and it has been delivered. I merely make the statement in order that our record may show that the thing has been done.

Comrade D. C. ZIMMERMAN, of Illinois. Is there a legislative committee to report?

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. The report of the legislative committee is already in print and a part of the reports before this body.

Comrade ZIMMERMAN. I ask for this reason. One year ago in this city I introduced a resolution to cut down the number required for a representative. At present it requires 300 in each department to have a representative to the national encampment. If that prevails next year it will cut down that representation very low. I introduced a resolution one year ago to cut that down to 200. The committee on resolutions had that resolution. They said it had not been considered previously, had not come before any department, and they passed it. I introduced the resolution in the Department of Illinois and it was carried unanimously. It was sent to this encampment or to the headquarters with a resolution that has already been brought before this encampment, but it does not seem to have been brought up here. I think it is very vital that that question be considered and I do not understand, as it was sent from the Department of Illinois to the national department, why it does not come before this encampment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Will the adjutant general inform the comrade?

Adj. Gen. MAHLON D. BUTLER. I have no recollection of having received that communication. However, if it has been misplaced, it is a very easy matter for the encampment to take it up this morning.

Comrade ZIMMERMAN. We haven't any copy of that resolution here, but the resolution was that in place of requiring 300 members in each department to entitle us to representation that it be in the future 200 in each department—shall entitle each department to representation.

I move you, sir, that that resolution be adopted. We will furnish a copy of that resolution as passed by the Department of Illinois.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, comrades. All in favor of that say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is adopted.

(Following is the amendment as later supplied by Comrade Zimmerman:)

Whereas the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic are being so rapidly thinned by the Grim Reaper that the representation of the national encampment will soon reach the minimum; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the number of members entitling the departments to a representative in the national encampment be reduced to 200.

Comrade CALVIN S. BRAINARD, of New York. The same thing happened with the Department of New York in regard to a resolution which I presented in my post. It was a resolution empowering or permitting the Sons of Veterans to attend post meetings. It was passed unanimously in the Department of New York and I have heard nothing of it here.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You take that up with your Department of New York.

Comrade S. W. HOPKINS, of California and Nevada. Judge Chipman, of Sacramento, Calif., is now on his deathbed and not liable to live long. He was one of the first adjutants general of the Grand Army of the Republic. I move that the adjutant general send a telegram to Judge Chipman.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the adjutant general send a telegram to Judge and Gen. Norton P. Chipman. All in favor of that say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is carried.

Past Commander in Chief W. J. PATTERSON. I am chairman of the committee to visit the Daughters of Veterans, and I ask the privilege of submitting a report in writing, as we have not yet visited them. I expect to this afternoon. I ask the privilege of submitting a report in writing to the stenographer.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The request is granted, unless there is objection.

(Following is the report of the committee:)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO CONVEY GREETINGS TO THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF  
THE DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 29, 1921.*

Owing to the absence of the other members of the committee, the chairman secured the services of Past Department Commander L. F. Arensberg, of Pennsylvania, to join him in the visitation.

The committee thus constituted visited this splendid body of ladies while in session and were royally received.

The greeting of the Grand Army of the Republic was extended and cordially acknowledged and the committee escorted to the outpost with charming ceremony.

W. J. PATTERSON, *Chairman.*

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The next thing in order is the nomination and election of officers. It takes a good while to call the roll. Do I hear the nomination of a comrade for the position of commander in chief? If there are more than two or three names presented I will call the roll. If not, I will take the liberty, in order to expedite matters, to call for nominations.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Comrades of the encampment, viewing with the natural regret we all feel at the rapid depletion of our numbers through the effects of age and disease, yet as I look over the hosts of the Grand Army that remain I rejoice that we see so much evidence that there are plenty of comrades left who are capable of taking hold and, in the highest and most respon-



sible position in our order, carry it on to a glorious termination years to come, I hope.

We of New York come before you to-day with a candidate whom we have thoroughly tested in the relationship of the comradeship of the Grand Army. We tried him out for years as an individual member of the post. We found him always ready to do any duty that was his to perform. We tested him as commander of the post, and his administration was a brilliant one. We tested him as commander of the great Department of New York, and we found his administration in thorough harmony with all we desired in a department commander.

You honored him years ago by making him your surgeon general. He discharged satisfactorily every duty of that position. We have placed his record pretty fully before you in the circular that was issued in support thereof, but I have thought that it was desirable to make a brief mention more than was in that circular of his career in civil life.

In his chosen profession for 50 years he has been one of the ministering angels of God that hurt to heal. I speak whereof I know personally. In the years that have gone he has been honored to the fullest extent by his professional brethren. The most eminent men as surgeons and medical practitioners in the United States to-day are his confreres and associates. He has been president of his county medical society, of the State Medical Association, vice president of the Pan American Association of Surgeons, a member of many literary societies and scientific societies, and for 40 years the editor of the most eminent medical and surgical journal in the United States.

And so to-day, assuring you that with all the multitudinous duties that have come upon him in life, he has always found time to be a thorough Grand Army man, always at our beck and call in New York, and no duty too onerous; at the same time possessed of a lovable nature, a man of great heart, a man of brain, a man who, if you put that gavel in his hands, will hold it with absolute justice; and so, giving you all the assurance one comrade can give to another of his eminent fitness for the position, of the fitness of your bestowing the honor upon him, we of New York come before you once more and ask you that you honor us by electing as your next commander in chief Lewis Stephen Pilcher.

Comrade JOHN L. CLEM, of Georgia and South Carolina. I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination of my dear old friend, Dr. Pilcher, and I hope you will put him unanimously in office.

Comrade WILLIAM P. WRIGHT, of Illinois. Illinois seconds the nomination of Comrade Pilcher.

Comrade P. H. CONEY, of Kansas. Kansas was one of the first in response to the call for the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic. It has been one of the great departments of the Grand Army of the Republic from its organization to the present date. It has stood by New York for five candidates for commander in chief, from Palmer, Shaw, and Tanner. And now Kansas joins in seconding the nomination of Comrade Pilcher for commander in chief.

Though Kansas has never been given that honor, I move you, Commander in Chief, that the rules be suspended and the adjutant general be authorized and directed to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment for Comrade Pilcher for commander in chief.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the motion. Comrade SILAS H. TOWLER, of Minnesota. I second the motion.

Comrade HARMON BROSS, of Nebraska. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Has any comrade a desire to gild refined gold or paint the lily by additional speech?

Past Commander in Chief W. J. PATTERSON. I just want to say that Pennsylvania seconds the nomination of Comrade Pilcher.

Comrade WILLIAM H. NOLL, of California and Nevada. The delegation from California and Nevada heartily seconds the nomination of Comrade Pilcher, of New York.

[Cries of "Question."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You will not expedite the business of this encampment by hollering down the commander in chief. He will not be hollered down, and he will endeavor to see to it that the proceedings of this encampment are held decently and in order.

Comrade G. R. CASTNER, of Oregon. Commander in Chief, Oregon has a candidate to present for the position of commander in chief, a man who served his full three years of service in the Civil War——

A COMRADE. You are wasting your time.

Comrade CASTNER (continuing). Who has served his post honorably in all its different departments, who has been department commander and served with honor in all of the positions in that body. He has also served with honor in the position of senior vice commander of this grand body, and Oregon wishes to present the name of J. G. Chambers, of Portland, Oreg.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. J. G. Chambers of Portland, Oreg., is named in this connection.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that the departments be called, and that the commander of each department announce the choice of the delegation.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There being more than one candidate nominated I will direct the adjutant general to call the departments in order for nominations for this position. The comrades will take their seats and listen to the roll call. Will the comrade down there sit down?

Comrade ISIDORE ISAACS, of New York. I will not sit down. This comrade is dying, and he needs our attention.

(At this point Past Department Commander William F. Kirchner, of New York, who had suffered a stroke of apoplexy, was carried from the room, attended by Comrade Isaacs, Comrade Pilcher, and others.)

(The roll of departments was then called by the adjutant general for nominations for commander in chief, whereupon the names of Comrades Lewis S. Pilcher, of New York, and J. G. Chambers, of Oregon, were again presented by their respective departments.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrades will now vote in their departments and be prepared, so soon as the vote is taken, to send them up. The comrades want to bear in mind that in this encampment there is to be no phantom voting. No man shall be voted unless he is in this encampment. I want a distinct understanding on that subject now. Will the comrades from New York indicate who they desire to act as teller to take up the votes so soon as they have been cast, and the same thing with the Department of Oregon?



(Comrade Alfred Lyth, of New York, and Comrade S. F. Blythe, of Oregon, were then named by their respective departments as tellers.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. With the consent of this encampment, as soon as the comrades are surely through voting, I will ask the adjutant general to call the roll.

(Adj. Gen. Mahlon D. Butler then began calling the roll of the departments with the following result, as shown by the records of the tellers:)

Department.	Pilcher.	Chambers.
Alabama.....	9	.....
Arizona.....	.....	.....
Arkansas.....	10	.....
California and Nevada.....	24	.....
Colorado and Wyoming.....	6	.....
Connecticut.....	8	.....
Delaware.....	3	5
Florida.....	7	.....
Georgia and South Carolina.....	11	.....
Idaho.....	1	3
Illinois.....	27	1
Indiana.....	25	12
Iowa.....	28	.....
Kansas.....	22	.....
Kentucky.....	10	3
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	5	.....
Maine.....	9	.....
Maryland.....	11	.....
Massachusetts.....	21	.....
Michigan.....	22	.....
Minnesota.....	10	.....
Missouri.....	21	.....
Montana.....	.....	6

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Past Senior Vice Commander Chambers, of Oregon, desires the attention of the encampment for a moment.

Comrade J. G. CHAMBERS, of Oregon. Comrades, I see the handwriting on the wall, and to further expedite the business of this encampment, I move that the rules be suspended and that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment for Comrade Pilcher, of New York. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor of that motion will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." It is carried.

Adj. Gen. MAHLON D. BUTLER. I take great pleasure in casting the unanimous vote of the encampment for Lewis S. Pilcher for commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Lewis S. Pilcher of New York has been duly elected Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for the period of 1921-22, and he will report on the platform at once whether he accepts that election. (Comrade Pilcher ascends to the platform.)

Comrades, I congratulate him on his attaining an office to which, to my certain knowledge, there is nothing but honor and pleasure, and no duty and no responsibility whatever. [Applause.] I warn him as to that and then let him say what he will do.

Comrade LEWIS S. PILCHER, of New York. Commander in Chief and comrades, that which might be said at such a time as this is written in your hearts, I know, much better than any tongue of mine can express. What I feel I can not say, but I am sure that you know it.

I appreciate the honor which has come to the Department of New York. I accept it, Mr. Commander in Chief, appreciating well it is an honor; but notwithstanding these words of my predecessors I know that there are great responsibilities—an honor that for this period I shall have the privilege of standing at the head of this wonderful order in which is embodied the highest attainments of the patriotism of mankind, but responsibilities—not only responsibilities of ordinary duty but responsibilities that come from the fact that the hours and the years are but few, and that already the shades of evening are casting their cloak over us.

There are left for us only memories of the past and a few hopes for the future. But the Grand Army still lives. Let us go forward, my comrades, and as long as life still pulses through our veins let us carry on the work we began 60 years ago and which ever since has commanded our fullest and entire effort—the glory of our flag, the hope and prosperity of our Nation. For this year, comrades, I am your servant. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The next thing in order will be nominations for senior vice commander in chief. Is there a necessity for a roll call? Do I hear any nominations for senior vice commander in chief? If there is more than one there will be a roll call; if only one I will not burden you with a roll call.

Comrade COS ALTENBERG, of Arkansas. I take pleasure in presenting the name of a past commander of the Department of Indiana, Comrade McBride.

Comrade ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, of Indiana. Indiana seconds the nomination of Comrade McBride, a citizen of this glorious city of Indianapolis that has so generously and hospitably entertained us for the fifth time.

Past Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. In behalf of every member of the greatest and largest department of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States, I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade McBride for senior vice commander in chief.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief GEORGE A. HOSLEY. I rise to second the nomination of Comrade McBride.

Comrade J. G. CHAMBERS, of Oregon. Oregon seconds the nomination of Comrade McBride.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the rules be suspended and the adjutant general be directed to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment in favor of Comrade Robert Wesley McBride of Indiana. All in favor of that motion will say “aye.” Contrary, “no.” It is unanimously adopted. (The ballot was so cast.)

The comrades will be in order so that they can look into the eyes and face of their senior vice commander in chief, whom I now declare to have been duly elected for the ensuing year.

Comrade ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, of Indiana. Comrades, I have no words to express my appreciation of the honor you have done me,



but I have one request to make, and that is that each and every one of you shall pray to Almighty God that in His infinite mercy and goodness He will preserve the life of our newly elected commander in chief for the next 12 months a least. I thank you. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I never quite understood it, but I have always heard it said that the fervent, effectual prayer of the righteous availeth much. It must first be righteous, and next it must be fervent, and next it must be effectual. And if it is all that I don't care whether it avails or not.

We will now proceed to the nomination of a comrade for junior vice commander in chief, and as before, if there is more than one nomination the roll will be called of the departments for nominations, and if only one it will proceed on a viva voce vote.

Comrade W. M. Scott, of Georgia and South Carolina. I take pleasure in placing in nomination Comrade Frank A. Jones, of Georgia, for junior vice commander in chief, a man with a wonderful war record, a man who for the last 40 years has spent his money and his time in having decorated the 60,000 graves in our department, a man of ability, a man who is able to fill any position. I hope, sir, that he can be elected. That is all.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the name of Frank A. Jones. With other embellishments he is a good graveyard man.

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of the Potomac. Commander in Chief and comrades, one year ago I presented, with the hope of election, a very worthy comrade of the Department of the Potomac for junior vice commander in chief. In the interests of harmony and that that great country west of the Mississippi should not be unrepresented, I withdrew the name of Henry A. Johnson. I now renew the nomination of Comrade Henry A. Johnson of the Department of the Potomac for junior vice commander in chief. He was a splendid soldier, a man who carried his musket four years in the Twenty-sixth Infantry—a fighting regiment. He is a man to whom you are all indebted. When I first went to Washington it took months to get records for pension cases from the War Department. Under the splendid administration of Comrade Johnson, who is past department commander of the Potomac, you can get a record in 48 hours. We need a national officer at Washington. We are at the forefront of battle there with the aggressive southern Confederacy. They are fighting us continually. We have more strife and struggle there than in any other of the border departments, and it is very desirable for the interests of the order and highly essential that the order have a national officer in the District of Columbia. Comrade Johnson is comparatively a young man, full of activity, and is now at leisure, having retired from the Record and Pension Division of the War Department. He will make us a magnificent junior vice commander in chief. He will be of the highest possible use to the order in the National Capital where so many of the battles of the order have to be fought. I take great pleasure in presenting the name of Comrade Henry A. Johnson.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There being more than one nomination for the office of junior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general will call the roll for nominations—not for the election.

(The roll of departments was then called by the adjutant general and the names of Comrades Frank A. Jones, of Georgia and South

Carolina, and Henry A. Johnson, of the Potomac, were again presented by their respective departments.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The newly elected commander in chief desires to make an announcement before you prepare for this vote.

Comrade LEWIS S. PILCHER, commander in chief-elect. I take this opportunity, comrades, while you are all here, to call a meeting of the new council of administration. Will each department please note this and ask its member of the council of administration to be present on the twelfth floor of the Hotel Severin at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The room will be pointed out to them.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chair will announce that Comrades John B. Inman, of Illinois, and Charles G. Burton, of Missouri and Oregon, will act as tellers.

(Whereupon Adj. Gen. Mahlon D. Butler called the roll of departments for the election of junior vice commander in chief, and the following results were announced:)

Department.	Jones.	Johnson.
Alabama.....	4	.....
Arizona.....	1	.....
Arkansas.....	4	6
California and Nevada.....	.....	24
Colorado and Wyoming.....	9	.....
Connecticut.....	.....	8
Delaware.....	.....	5
Florida.....	.....	7
Georgia and South Carolina.....	11	.....
Idaho.....	.....	4
Illinois.....	27	.....
Indiana.....	17	12
Iowa.....	20	.....
Kansas.....	5	17
Kentucky.....	2	11
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	3	.....
Maine.....	.....	9
Maryland.....	.....	10
Massachusetts.....	21	.....
Michigan.....	22	.....
Minnesota.....	.....	10
Missouri.....	13	4
Montana.....	.....	6
Nebraska.....	.....	10
New Hampshire.....	6	.....
New Jersey.....	.....	18
New Mexico.....	4	.....
New York.....	22	23
North Dakota.....	.....	14
Ohio.....	3	32
Oklahoma.....	5	3
Oregon.....	.....	10
Pennsylvania.....	32	1
Potomac.....	.....	8
Rhode Island.....	1	8
South Dakota.....	.....	12
Tennessee.....	12	.....
Texas.....	.....	7
Utah.....	.....	3
Vermont.....	.....	9
Virginia and North Carolina.....	.....	9
Washington and Alaska.....	.....	11
West Virginia.....	2	8
Wisconsin.....	7	1
On platform.....	13	4



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If the comrades will take their seats we will now hear the result of this election.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Total number of votes cast, 590; necessary to a choice, 296; of which Comrade Jones received 266 and Comrade Johnson 324.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have elected Comrade Henry A. Johnson as your junior vice commander in chief for the ensuing year.

Commander FRANK A. JONES, of Georgia and South Carolina. I move that we make the election of Comrade Johnson unanimous.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All right, boys, make the election of Comrade Johnson unanimous. All in favor of that say, "aye." Contrary, "no." It is carried.

The next office to be filled is that of surgeon general.

Comrade W. S. HAWKES, of Idaho. Commander in Chief and comrades, Idaho presents Lieut. Col. M. W. Wood, retired from the medical service of the Army. He had a long service. As a boy he enlisted from New York, in the latter part of the war, and received two wounds in battle in the service of his country. He was in the Indian wars and was in the Spanish-American War, also in the recent war. Thus he has served in four of our wars. He received medals for his services in the first three wars, in each of which he was under fire, and was three times officially commended. Idaho presents for surgeon general for the coming year the name of Marshall W. Wood.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The name of Marshall W. Wood, of Idaho, is presented for surgeon general.

Comrade ALFRED LYTH, of New York. I move that nominations close.

Comrade P. H. CONEY, of Kansas. I move as an amendment to the comrade's motion that nominations close, that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the vote of the encampment for Comrade Wood.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There will be an additional interval allowed, and if there is no other name mentioned, and I hear none, I will recognize Comrade Coney and his motion, which is that the rules be suspended and that the adjutant general be directed to cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade Marshall W. Wood as surgeon general for the ensuing year. All in favor of that say "aye." The vote has been cast and I now declare him the choice of this encampment for surgeon general for the next year.

The next is now the chaplain in chief. Who do you want to pray for you?

Comrade P. H. CONEY, of Kansas. I rise to place in nomination the comrade who has been praying for us for one year and has been faithful. I put in nomination for chaplain in chief for the ensuing year, Comrade W. A. Ketcham, past commander in chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. As usual, the comrade from Kansas is out of order. Do I hear any nominations? I have never prayed on Kansas.

Comrade SILAS H. TOWLER, of Minnesota. I desire to place in nomination for the office a gallant soldier of Company K, Fifty-third Pennsylvania—Gen. Brooks's regiment. He is chaplain of the Minnesota Soldiers' Home, Rev. George B. Smith.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Rev. George B. Smith has been nominated. Are there any other nominations?

Comrade W. S. HAWKES, of Idaho. I move that the adjutant general be directed to cast the ballot for the comrade named.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the rules be suspended and that the Rev. George B. Smith be elected chaplain in chief for the ensuing year. All in favor of that motion will signify it by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." The ayes have it. Comrade George B. Smith is elected chaplain in chief for the next year.

Next in order is the selection of the council of administration. Adjutant General, have those names been sent up to you?

Adj. Gen. MAHLON D. BUTLER. All departments have reported.

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITS. I move that the comrades whose names have been reported by the several departments constitute the council of administration for the ensuing year.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the comrades designated by their respective departments for positions on the council of administration be elected by this encampment. All those in favor of that say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is carried.

(Following is the council of administration as reported by the several departments to the adjutant general:)

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	George F. Jackson.....	Birmingham.
Arizona.....	E. S. Godfrey.....	Cookstown, N. J.
Arkansas.....	Cos Altenberg.....	Little Rock.
California and Nevada.....	Chas. F. Derby.....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	M. S. Crawford.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	Harry L. Beach.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	William Kelley.....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	John DeGraw.....	St. Cloud.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	G. E. Whitman.....	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Idaho.....	Geo. F. Kimery.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	John B. Inman.....	Springfield.
Indiana.....	Alonzo Murphy.....	Greensburg.
Iowa.....	J. W. Willett.....	Tama.
Kansas.....	E. W. Phillips.....	Wichita.
Kentucky.....	Americus Whedon.....	Washington, D. C.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	Basile Ulgere.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Edwin Riley.....	Livermore Falls.
Maryland.....	Jacob R. Tucker.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Wilfred A. Wetherbee.....	Newton.
Michigan.....	H. A. Chapin.....	Lansing.
Minnesota.....	Levi Longfellow.....	Minneapolis.
Missouri.....	John M. Williams.....	California.
Montana.....	R. L. Cleveland.....	Great Falls.
Nebraska.....	W. H. Stewart.....	Geneva.
New Hampshire.....	Wm. Blair.....	Berlin.
New Jersey.....	Wm. O. Allen.....	Newark.
New Mexico.....	W. W. McDonald.....	Albuquerque.
New York.....	Geo. A. Price.....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	James McCormick.....	Devils Lake.
Ohio.....	John C. Roland.....	Cleveland.
Oklahoma.....	S. P. Strahan.....	Perry.
Oregon.....	S. F. Blythe.....	Hood River.
Pennsylvania.....	J. Andrew Wilt.....	Towanda.
Potomac.....	John Middleton.....	Washington, D. C.



Department.	Name.	Address.
Rhode Island.....	John A. Medbery.....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	J. C. Luce.....	Groton.
Tennessee.....	Newton Hacker.....	Jonesboro.
Texas.....	Henry W. Nye.....	Fort Worth.
Utah.....	Henry W. Charter.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	J. M. Hyde.....	Bennington.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	George W. Burchfield.....	National Soldiers' Home, Va.
Washington and Alaska.....	F. H. Hurd.....	Seattle.
West Virginia.....	S. R. Hanen.....	Glen Easton.
Wisconsin.....	Fred W. Wardrobe.....	Waukesha.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now there is one other office to be filled, and, as I now judge it, only one. A trustee of the permanent fund will have to be elected because of the election of Comrade Pilcher as commander in chief.

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITS. His term is up, too.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Do I hear mention of the name of some one to act as trustee of the permanent fund?

Comrade OSCAR A. JAMES, of Michigan. We present a candidate from Michigan for trustee of the permanent fund, and nominate Past Department Commander Frank R. Chase, an elegant business man, a banker in our State, a man of honor and integrity, who has the utmost confidence of the comrades of Michigan that ask his election.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The name of Comrade and Commander Frank R. Chase, of Michigan, is presented for the place of trustee of the permanent fund, formerly occupied by Commander in Chief Pilcher. Any other nominations?

Comrade THOMAS J. MCCONEKEY, of New York. The Department of New York heartily indorses the nomination of Comrade Chase.

Comrade C. H. HASKINS, of California and Nevada. I move that the rules be suspended and that the adjutant general cast the ballot of this encampment for the comrade named.

Comrade J. G. OULSON, of Illinois. Why can't the present commander in chief be named? If so, I nominate him.

Q. M. Gen. COLA D. R. STOWITZ. You can not do it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, that the rules be suspended and that Comrade Frank R. Chase be elected by this encampment to the office of trustee of the permanent fund, and that the adjutant general be required to cast the vote of this encampment for him. All in favor of that say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is a vote. The vote has been cast and I declare Frank R. Chase, of Michigan, elected to the office of trustee of the permanent fund.

Mr. Adjutant General, is there anything further that you know of?

Adj. Gen. MAHLON D. BUTLER. Nothing further, so far as I am informed, except the installation of officers.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, under a resolution presented by Comrade Adams for the appointment of a committee to see to the rising generation on Abraham Lincoln, I desire to indicate as that committee Comrade Washington Gardner, Comrade Charles G. Burton, and Comrade Samuel Fallows. This I have done, not simply on my own motion, but after conferring with the incoming commander in chief.

Commander in Chief-elect LEWIS S. PILCHER. I wish to make an announcement, comrades. I make it now with reference to these positions to which members or comrades are appointed by the commander in chief. While it has not been the habit, in all cases at least, for such appointees to be installed, nevertheless it seems to your commander that it would be highly proper and very desirable, if they are present, that they should, with the commander, be installed into office. I will now announce the appointments for such offices, and I will ask that these comrades as their names are called, or after I have finished the calling of these names, shall come to the platform and be installed with the other officials:

*Adjutant general:* William C. Peckham, of New York.

*Quartermaster general:* Cola D. R. Stowits, of New York.

*Judge advocate general:* Thomas S. Hopkins, of the Potomac.

*Inspector general:* R. A. Sarle, of California and Nevada.

*National patriotic instructor:* Levi Longfellow, of Minnesota.

*Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records:* J. Henry Holcomb, of Pennsylvania.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, our duties are nearly over. I will ask Past Commander in Chief Burton to install the incoming officers. I remember the ceremony of his installation a year ago, and I conceive of no one who could do it better, if as well. Comrade Rassieur is not in strong health, I understand, and thinks it would be too much of a burden for him, so I have taken the liberty of asking Comrade Burton to perform this pleasant duty.

Now it has been a delightful year to me, and it has been delightful to me because I have had the hearty support and cooperation of my comrades one and all, and I flatter myself that I have never had the privilege of attending a national encampment where there was preserved as good order and decorum as has been preserved by the Fifty-fifth Encampment of the Grand Army. I am proud of your service in this encampment. I am proud of the manner in which the Grand Army of the Republic passed in review on yesterday, and so, as I ask these installation proceedings to go on, I want to return to you from the bottom of my heart my sincere gratitude for all that you have conferred upon me.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON (installing officer). Comrades, it is requested that as many of you as can will remain during the installation. It won't take over 15 minutes. Those of you who can not remain will please retire at once. I would suggest that those who desire to remain come forward and occupy these front seats. Comrade Inman, of Illinois, will kindly act as officer of the day. Comrade Inman, slowly read the names of the officers elected and appointed, and as their names are called they will please form in line, the commander in chief elect on the right and down the line in the order of seniority.

(The following officers were then duly installed:)

*Commander in chief:* Lewis S. Pilcher, of New York.

*Senior vice commander in chief:* Robert W. McBride, of Indiana.

*Junior vice commander in chief:* Henry A. Johnson, of the Potomac.

*Surgeon general:* Marshall W. Wood, of Idaho.

*Adjutant general:* William C. Peckham, of New York.

*Quartermaster general:* Cola D. R. Stowits, of New York.

*Inspector general:* R. A. Sarle, of California and Nevada.

*National patriotic instructor:* Levi Longfellow, of Minnesota.



(During the installation, Past Commander in Chief Burton said, among other things:)

“Comrades, I know each and every one of you to be a comrade of many years’ service, and it would be an act of superarrogation for me to attempt to instruct each of you as to the duties of your several offices, and I shall take it for granted that each and every one are familiar with the duties and responsibilities which you have promised to perform.

“Just one word personal. Comrade Stowits, it is with personal congratulations to myself that I remember that when I was commander in chief I first appointed you to office as inspector general. The next year you were promoted and ever since you have been our quartermaster general. May God give you long life, for it is my belief that as long as you live you will continue to be the Quartermaster General of the Grand Army of the Republic.

“The installing officer will say that as to those who are not present, that the department commanders of their respective departments will be called upon to install them at such time and place as may be convenient to the officer-elect and the department commander.

“Now, comrades, I have said to you that you are all familiar with your duties. I am going to say no more except to ask each and every one of you, with the exception of the commander in chief, to take your respective stations in the rear, be seated, and, in the language of Comrade Ketcham, ‘keep still.’

“Comrade King, you will pin upon the breast of Comrade Pilcher the badge of his office. (Past Commander in Chief King does so.)

“Comrade Pilcher, you have been elected by the unanimous vote of your comrades to be the commander in chief for the ensuing year. Let me assure you, sir, that you were not elected because you were from New York. You were elected because the comrades, one and all, recognized in you the possession of those qualities and qualifications which eminently fit you to discharge the duties and responsibilities of the office. They knew that by your services in the past as a soldier and a comrade you had won the right to this promotion, and in their love and confidence and esteem they have placed the gavel of authority in your hands. God grant that many years yet may be given unto you. But whether, as I said in relation to Comrade Ketcham, those years be many or few, we know that that badge will be worthily worn. Accept from my hands this gavel, the instrument of authority, and take charge of the encampment. (Calling the encampment to its feet by the gavel.)

“Comrades, I present to you your officers elected and installed. Salute your commander in chief.” (Salute given and returned.)

Commander in Chief LEWIS S. PILCHER. Comrades, at this time I have nothing to add to what I have already said. We are desirous of terminating this session as soon as possible and returning to our respective homes. Is there any comrade who has at this time anything which he wishes to offer for our consideration?

Past Commander in Chief WILLIAM A. KETCHAM. Commander in Chief, when the citizens of Indianapolis were desiring to show their appreciation of the Grand Army and its coming here this year we were embarrassed. We have no Niagara Falls and no Lake Erie. We have no Detroit River or Lake Huron or Lake St. Clair. We

have no ocean. We have very little except a monument, cascades, and the fort. I got into communication with Gen. Read to see what he could do for use in the line of a dress parade and drill. He said he had no band, didn't have enough soldiers to make a dress parade, and couldn't offer anything very attractive, but would give the boys whatever he could. With that as a starting point I began to confer with the comrades as to whether they wanted to take their chance on an excursion to Fort Benjamin Harrison, which is all we could have.

One and all, without exception, said: "As soon as we see the incoming commander in chief installed, it is our purpose to return to our homes"; and I did not feel at liberty to ask Gen. Read to make a special effort to amuse, enlighten, and entertain 100 or 200 men out of the many thousands that have been here.

So I regret to report, Commander in Chief, that so far as I know the city of Indianapolis has done everything for the Fifty-fifth Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic that it could do. [Applause.]

Comrade J. A. Osgood, of California and Nevada. As a fitting conclusion to this encampment, can we not have the pleasure of singing the last verse of "America" before we go?

(The members of the encampment then sang "America.")

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is now closed (1 p. m.).





# REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND OF COMMITTEES

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GEORGE A. HOSLEY  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief





JOSEPH E. GANDY  
Junior Vice Commander in Chief

## REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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CHESTER, N. H., *August 13, 1921.*

Comrade MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

DEAR COMRADE: Time in its rapid strides has brought us all to the end of another year, and conformable to the usual custom, and in compliance with your request, I herewith most respectfully submit my report for the fiscal year.

The year has been a delightful one to me personally. Although my duties have been very light, I accompanied the commander in chief in his visits to the Departments of Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire and had the pleasure of representing him at the department encampment of Vermont, where I received a most cordial welcome. I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the great honor conferred upon me by my comrades of the last national encampment, and trust in some small degree I have measured up to the requirements of the hour. To the commander in chief and yourself and to the other members of the official family, I wish to express my sincere thanks for the kind support I have received from each and every one, for we know that recognition of services of those holding office in any order is as important to the organization as to those who are honored. It helps us all to acknowledge what has been done by anyone of us and it makes others more willing to serve. Let us, therefore, stimulate one another to good works by frank expressions of appreciation. This is the kind of criticism that best deserves the name, for real criticism is just valuation and not simply condemnation.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

GEORGE A. HOSLEY,  
*Senior Vice Commander in Chief.*



## REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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SPOKANE, WASH., *August 24, 1921.*

MAHLON D. BUTLER,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

DEAR COMRADE: In compliance with the rules and regulations of our beloved order, and following the example of my predecessors, I have the honor to submit my report of the duties performed by me during the past year as junior vice commander in chief.

Under the instructions of the commander in chief, I have visited the Department of South Dakota, at Mitchell, June 2 and 3; the Department of Idaho, at Nampa, June 8 and 9; and the Department of Montana, at Anaconda, June 17 and 18, at which encampments I represented the commander in chief.

I found the Department of South Dakota in a very healthy condition. While the membership of South Dakota is small, the enthusiasm is very commendable.

In regard to my report on the Idaho Encampment at Nampa, I found the attendance quite small, but the earnestness of the membership was very satisfactory.

In Montana, at Anaconda, I found a larger attendance than at Nampa, and at the great smelter city the hospitality of the citizens was greatly to be appreciated.

I also visited with Past Commander in Chief Burton, of Portland, Oreg., at our own encampment at Olympia, June 21 and 22, at which more than six hundred G. A. R. comrades were present.

In all these encampments visited by me as representative of the commander in chief I did what I could in my weak way as a representative of our beloved Commander Ketcham to impress the desirability of teaching patriotism to our younger people in and through the public schools, many of which I visited during the last year. I visited the Soldiers' Home at Retsil, Wash., and Orting, both of which I found under a healthy administration by the resident commanders of those encampments. I also informed myself with regard to the Soldiers' Home in South Dakota, at Black Hills, having met the superintendent at the Mitchell Encampment in South Dakota. I believe, generally, our homes in the Northwest for soldiers are being conducted in a satisfactory manner for the relief of our old comrades in their declining years.

In retiring from the office with which you have honored me, I wish to thank Commander in Chief Ketcham, Adjt. Gen. Mahlon D. Butler, and Q. M. Gen. Stowits for the many favors extended to me in the past year.

Yours in F., C., and L.

JOSEPH E. GANDY,  
*Junior Vice Commander in Chief.*

## REPORT OF SURGEON GENERAL.

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KANSAS CITY, Mo., *August 16, 1921.*

MAHLON D. BUTLER,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: I wish first, through you, to express my sincere thanks to all members of the Grand Army for the distinction conferred upon me by my election as Surgeon General of the Grand Army of the Republic at the Fifty-fourth Annual Encampment in Indianapolis, Ind. I assure you I appreciate it more than words can express.

After my election, I hoped I might, during the year, do something really worth while for our noble order, but I have been able to accomplish but little. And now as I come to make a report, it occurs to me I can only do as some of my predecessors in this office have well done, namely, give some recommendations and advice to our aging comrades, which, if heeded by them, I am sure, will add to their comfort and prolong their years. In doing this, I may repeat some of the suggestions which may be found in my reports as medical director of the Department of Missouri in 1920 and 1921.

"Undoubtedly, the longer we live the older we grow," but there are many things which we can do to prevent the condition usually spoken of as "old age."

So long as we can keep up proper nutrition, and properly eliminate waste, we are going fine. An exact equilibrium in this respect must be maintained. That means that our food must be carefully selected, taken in proper quantities, well digested and assimilated. And then that the waste and effete material from the whole body be eliminated. Thus our bodies are being renewed each day and old age is delayed.

The digestive organs are not as reliable as they once were, hence it is very necessary that we be more careful what and how much we eat. The quantity of food, and to a certain extent the quality, must be regulated to each individual according to his occupation, exercise, and individual peculiarities; but it should always consist only of easily digestible, nourishing foods, and never taken in excessive quantities. Milk, cream, butter, eggs, cereals, vegetables and fruits are best for the aged. We should avoid much meats, pastries or highly seasoned foods.

If the digestive organs are kept in good condition, the first factor in the prevention of old age is solved. We should eat slowly, masticate the food thoroughly, drink plenty of water, and not very much coffee, and under as cheerful circumstances as possible.

The alimentary canal, beginning with the mouth, must be kept clean and sweet. If there are bad teeth, they should be corrected or



removed. Daily evacuation of the bowels is absolutely essential, and this should be accomplished by habit and diet, rather than by medicine.

The lungs supply oxygen to the blood, and eliminate impurities from the body. In order that they may be proficient in this, they must be supplied with an abundance of pure air, and that should be by night as well as by day. We should straighten up, expand the lungs to their limit three or four times, and several times each day, out of doors if possible. And the atmosphere of the sleeping room, should be as nearly like out of doors as possible.

The skin and kidneys are eliminating organs. The skin should be kept clean and warm. Clean, so the millions of pores may be active; warm, so that the surface of the body and the extremities may be properly supplied with blood. And this will also help to prevent internal congestions. Flannels should be worn in cold weather by the aged. The kidneys will be protected, and will best perform their function of elimination, by avoiding irritating foods, and drinking large quantities of water. Avoid ice water, but drink lots and lots of cool or warm water.

In addition to the above, I wish to say, that mental attitude has a great influence over the preservation of health, especially over digestion. A cheerful, contented disposition will help very greatly.

We have all passed the three-score and ten period, and, according to the good Book, are living "Because of strength," and may, as many already have, go on to the four-score period.

In 1861 and 1865 we were given to participate in a great work. We "saved a nation and freed a race," and during the long years since we have steadily used our influence in building up this great Nation. We are proud of our achievements and should be happy.

Let us continue to be interested in the things of the present, taking an active participation in them, and we will approach that sunset of human life with courage and equanimity, blessed by all.

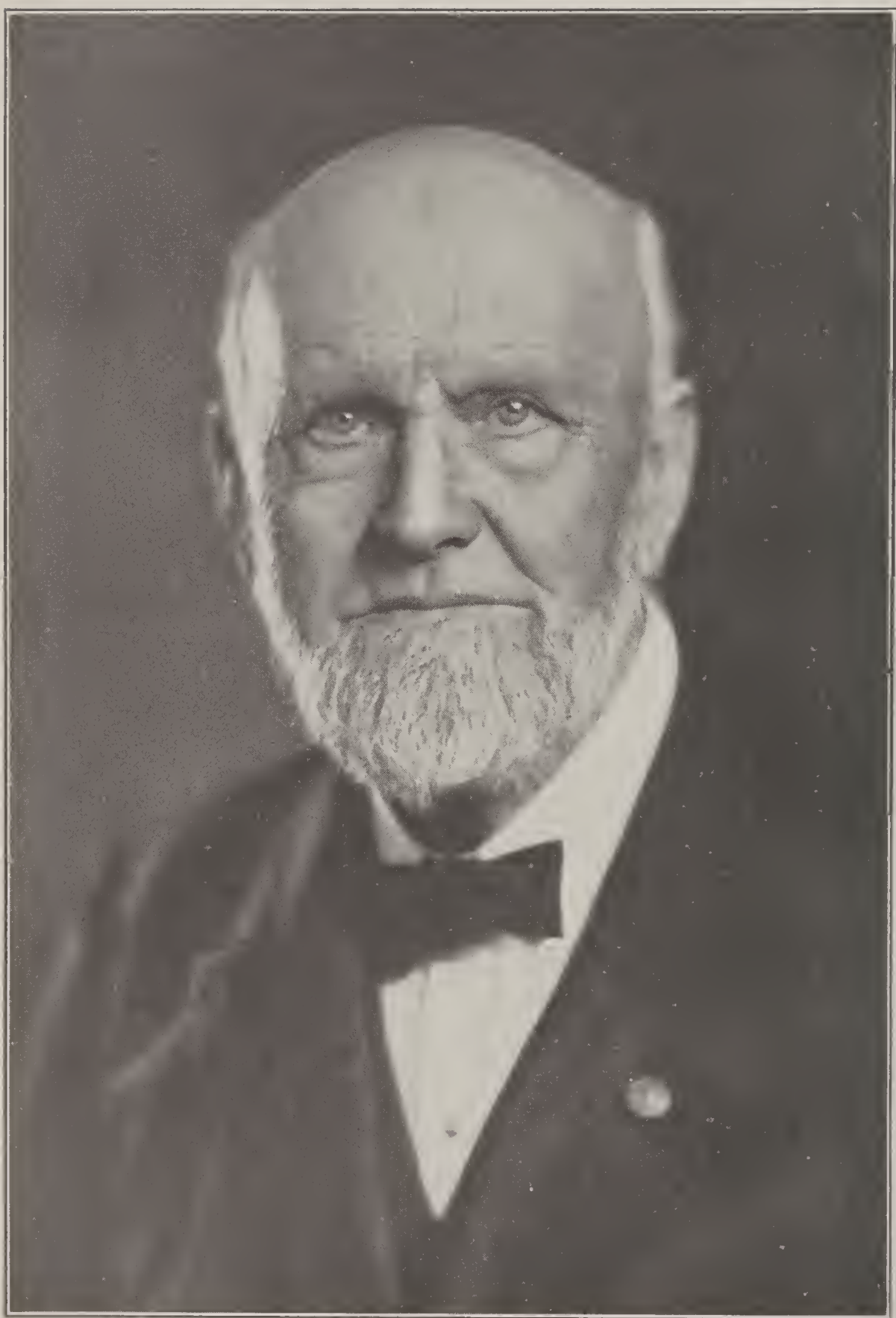
Sincerely yours in F., C. and L.,

CHARLES W. BURRILL,  
*Surgeon General, G. A. R.*



CHARLES W. BURRILL  
Surgeon General





WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH  
Chaplain in Chief

## REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF.

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WICHITA, KANS., *August 15, 1921.*

MAHLON D. BUTLER,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

DEAR COMRADE: In presenting to you and the Fifty-fifth Encampment of the Grand Army my report as chaplain in chief, I wish first of all to express my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me in my election to this office. To be the chief pastor and spiritual leader of 100,000 men, such men as compose the present Grand Army of the Republic, is a position second to none in the religious world.

If I judge correctly, there is a notion in the minds of many of the comrades that the principal business of the chaplain is to pray—not merely in leading their devotions at the national encampment, but in public and in private to pray unceasingly for the country we love, for the Grand Army and its auxiliaries, for the officers, and the individual members, so far as lies in his power. To this idea I give my hearty assent with a single qualification. Let the chaplain set the pace and lead the way, but let all join together in praying often and earnestly for one another, for our own dear land and all the nations and people of earth, and for the coming of the Kingdom of God. Comrades, the infirmities of age are coming upon us, aggravated in many cases by wounds or disabilities incurred in the service of our country. Death is making great inroads upon our ranks, and many, very many comrades or their families are in deep sorrow from recent bereavements.

Then there are new problems continually arising. Some of them are of vast importance and very perplexing. Our responsibility with relation to these questions is great because our influence is great. Our attitude may be decisive; it may sway the balance in either direction. Surely in these distracted times we need wisdom from above, and therefore we need to pray. I can truthfully say that if you chose me as your chaplain to pray for you, I have discharged my duty, not because it was a duty officially, but because I felt the strong impulse and the great need of prayer at this time.

The services I have rendered during my term of office may easily be counted. I have visited a few posts, made a few addresses, and assisted in the dedication of memorials in one of the cemeteries of my home city. Perhaps the most valuable service I have rendered in this line is the preparation of a dedication program in which the ladies of an affiliated organization had an equal part with the comrades. This may serve as a model for use on similar occasions, and I should be pleased to send a copy to anyone desiring it.

My principal work has been in the way of correspondence. I have written a number of letters for the comfort of the sorrowing, or



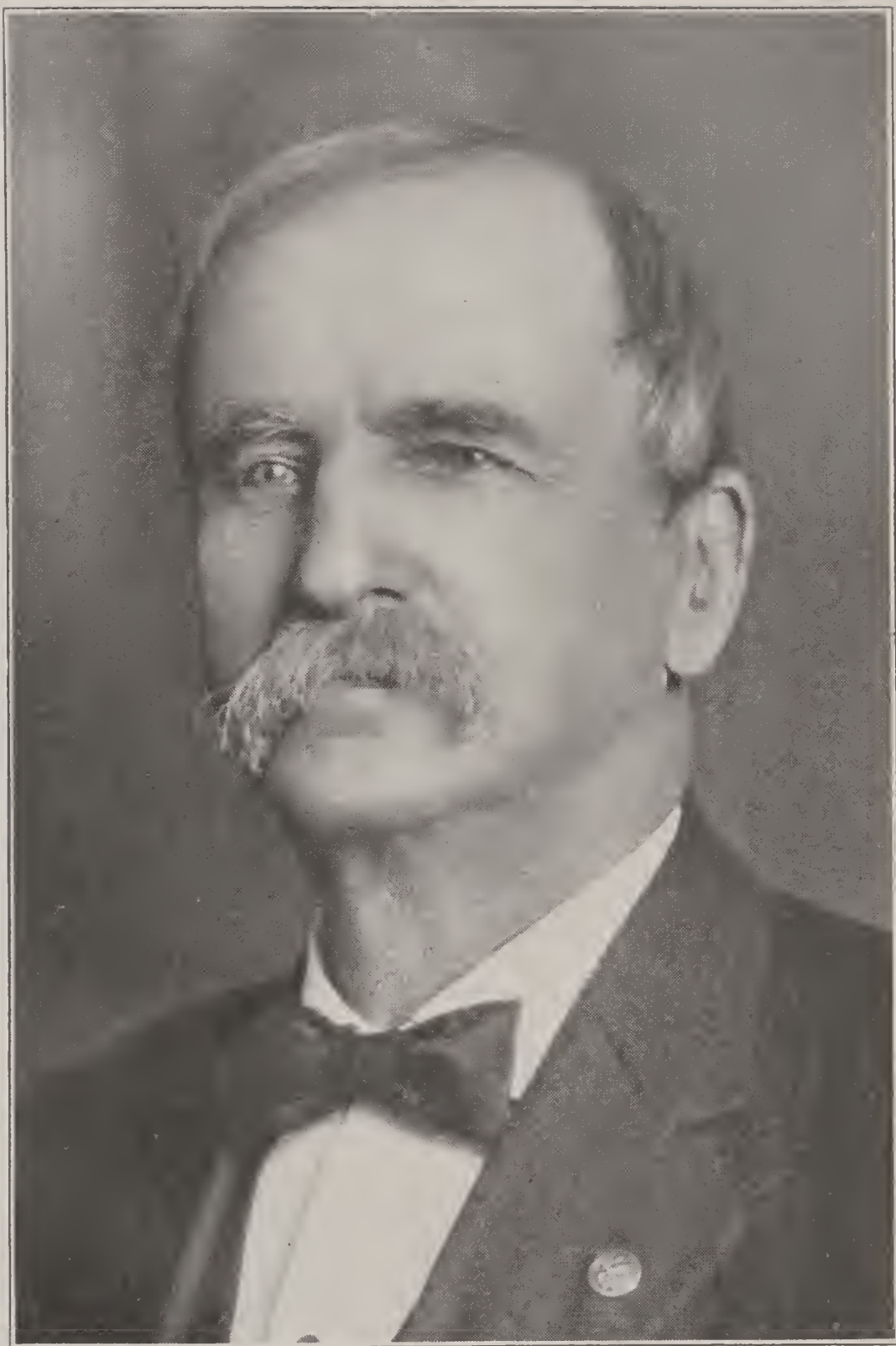
for the general "Good of the order." The gathering of statistics for my report of memorial services has required an extensive and somewhat voluminous correspondence. That report is here given:

Departments-----	44	Members observing Memorial	
Departments reporting-----	36	Day services-----	39, 371
Posts in the departments-----	4, 113	Woman's Relief Corps-----	1, 610
Posts reporting-----	2, 065	Members, Relief Corps-----	105, 206
Posts attending Sunday serv-		Circles, Ladies of G. A. R-----	155
ices-----	1, 943	Members, Ladies of G. A. R--	6, 800
Sermons to posts-----	1, 855	Camps of Sons of Veterans---	562
Sermons by veterans-----	111	Members of Sons of Veterans--	17, 847
Sermons by Sons of Veterans--	183	Tents of Daughters of Vet-	
Comrades present-----	29, 144	erans-----	167
Woman's Relief Corps partici-		Members of Daughters of Vet-	
pating-----	14, 510	erans-----	14, 287
Members of W. R. C. partici-		Cemeteries decorated-----	8, 842
pating----- (Not given)		Graves decorated-----	518, 179
Circles of Ladies of G. A. R--	152	Graves unmarked by head-	
Members, Ladies of G. A. R--	6, 477	stones-----	874
Tents of Daughters of Veter-		Public schools participating--	4, 095
ans-----	167	Pupils participating-----	377, 923
Members, Daughters of Vet-		Other organizations-----	4, 087
erans-----	16, 208	Addresses to posts-----	1, 685
Camps of Sons of Veterans---	562	Addresses by veterans-----	145
Members, Sons of Veterans---	11, 034	Addresses by Sons of Veter-	
Posts observing Memorial Day		ans-----	271
services-----	2, 060	Burial plots owned by posts--	913

Imperfect as this report is, it shows some advance upon former reports; for instance, that of five years ago, which is the only one I have before me for comparison. The figures are all larger this year except the attendance of comrades, which of course is a constantly diminishing number. That there is still room for improvement is shown by the reports from several of the departments, e. g., New York, which has secured reports from 425 of its 460 posts, and South Dakota 51 out of 55. Louisiana sends reports from every one of its 19 posts, and Alabama, which has only 2 posts remaining alive, gives a splendid report from these. It is pleasant to observe that in many parts of the country the American Legion is taking hold vigorously and rendering great assistance in the memorial observances and that the public generally are showing more interest than they have for many years. Also, that in several southern cities Memorial Day has been observed with far greater interest than ever before and that in some of them at least the place of honor has been given to the veterans of the Union and their Relief Corps, the Confederate Veterans and their daughters taking the second place.

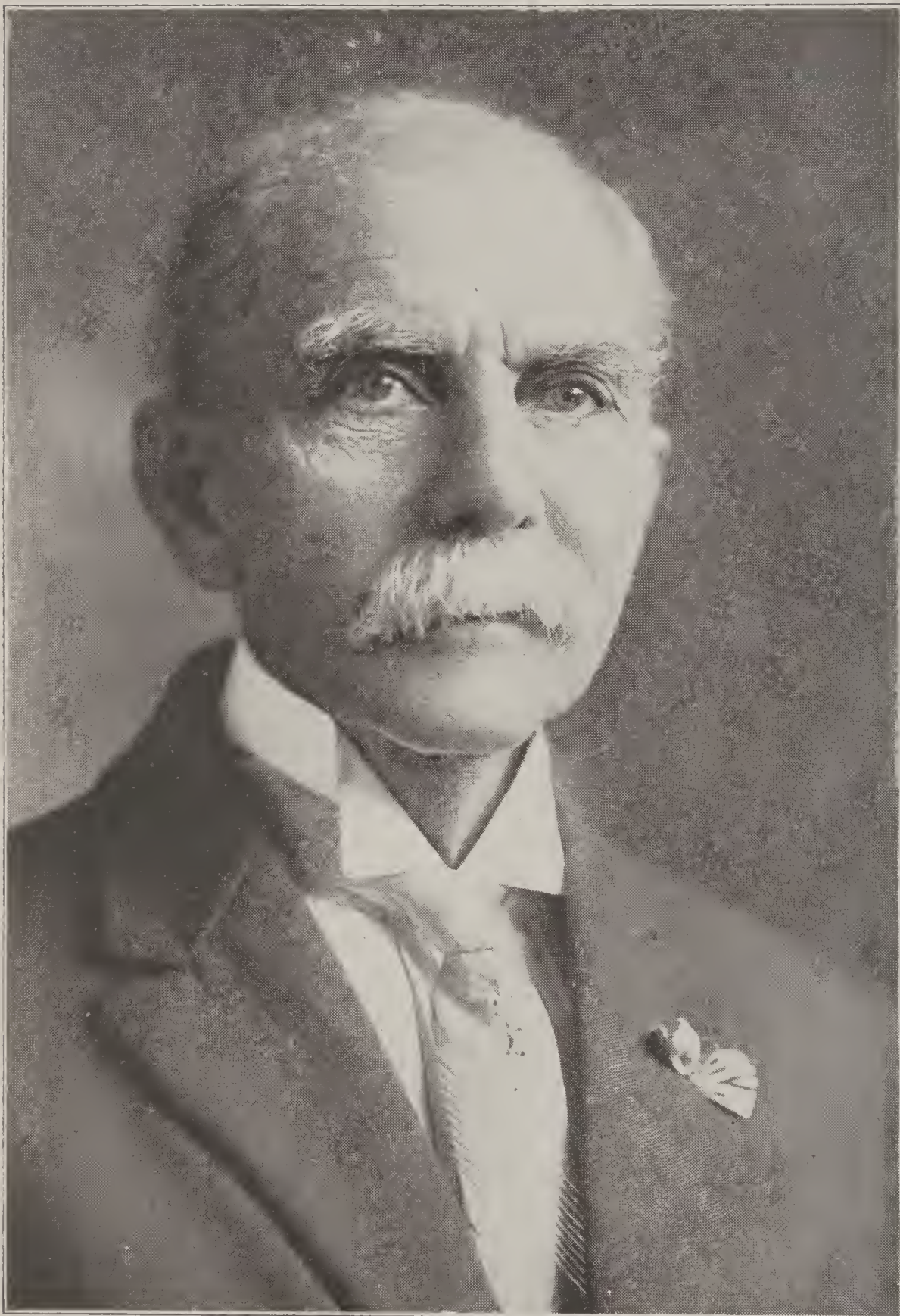
In conclusion, I wish to thank the officers of the Grand Army, both State and national, for their uniform courtesy and kindness and their friendly help and counsel. My work has been a great pleasure to me, and I trust I have rendered faithful service.

WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH,  
*Chaplain in Chief.*



MAHLON D. BUTLER  
Adjutant General





FRANCIS M. VAN PELT  
Assistant Adjutant General



## REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., August 15, 1921.

W. A. KETCHAM,

*Commander in Chief, G. A. R.*

DEAR COMRADE: I have the honor to submit my report and give an account of my stewardship.

First, I want to thank you for the honor conferred when you appointed me to the position I now hold and for the opportunity given me to represent you at the department encampment at Galesburg, Ill., May 17, 18, and 19, and at Greenville, Ohio, June 14, 15, and 16. Both of these encampments were well attended and in every way successful and profitable.

I attended the meetings of the executive committee at Chicago in April and June, where you made such valiant efforts to secure reduced railroad rates for our auxiliary and other allied organizations, even offering to have the rates to Grand Army of the Republic veterans increased if thereby additional concessions could be secured for them.

In this connection I want to express my appreciation of the courtesy and fair treatment accorded us by the chairmen of all the passenger associations.

The Grand Army of the Republic should, and no doubt does, appreciate the task you have so happily accomplished in finding a meeting place for the Fifty-fifth National Encampment. Owing greatly, no doubt, to the chaotic conditions confronting the country, money stringency, etc., no city conveniently located, railroad rates considered, felt justified in extending an invitation and your "own home town," the "no mean city" of Indianapolis came to the rescue and will receive and entertain us the last week in September.

We bow in humble submission to the immutable law of the Grand Architect of the Universe which has brought us so many visits of the Grim Reaper and thank "The Giver of all good and perfect gifts" that so many of us have been spared to pass the Bible limit of three-score years and ten, many in the enjoyment of health and strength.

The reports show a membership in good standing December 31, 1920, of 93,171, a loss during the year of 10,087. Gains from all sources during the year were as follows:

### Gains:

By muster	2,018
By transfer	1,348
By reinstatements	2,474

Total	5,840
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### Losses:

By death	9,301
By honorable discharge	185
By transfer	912
By suspension	3,271
By dishonorable discharge	12
By delinquent reports and surrender of charter	2,246

Total	15,927
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Net loss	10,087
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Consolidated report of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, showing gains and losses for year ending Dec. 31, 1920.

Departments.	Dec. 31, 1919.		Dec. 31, 1920.		Posts.		Members.	
	Posts.	Members.	Posts.	Members.	Gain.	Loss.	Gain.	Loss.
Alabama.....	3	55	3	50	.....	.....	.....	5
Arizona.....	5	75	4	65	.....	1	.....	10
Arkansas.....	11	243	12	257	1	.....	14	.....
California and Nevada.....	92	4, 852	92	4, 838	.....	.....	.....	14
Colorado and Wyoming.....	57	1, 406	48	1, 321	.....	9	.....	85
Connecticut.....	57	1, 489	56	1, 342	.....	1	.....	147
Delaware.....	16	225	12	180	.....	4	.....	45
Florida.....	19	607	23	687	4	.....	80	.....
Georgia and South Carolina..	7	116	8	114	1	.....	.....	2
Idaho.....	18	356	17	356	.....	1	.....	.....
Illinois.....	347	7, 625	326	6, 868	1	22	.....	757
Indiana.....	231	6, 309	220	5, 949	1	12	.....	360
Iowa.....	265	5, 977	254	4, 930	.....	11	.....	1, 047
Kansas.....	256	5, 359	255	4, 637	4	5	.....	722
Kentucky.....	52	535	54	485	2	.....	.....	50
Louisiana and Mississippi....	19	242	23	239	9	5	.....	3
Maine.....	111	1, 828	102	1, 580	1	10	.....	248
Maryland.....	46	820	44	774	.....	2	.....	46
Massachusetts.....	196	6, 097	190	5, 356	.....	6	.....	741
Michigan.....	227	4, 667	212	4, 000	.....	15	.....	667
Minnesota.....	128	2, 015	126	1, 836	.....	2	.....	179
Missouri.....	144	2, 953	136	2, 765	.....	8	.....	188
Montana.....	13	271	13	254	.....	.....	.....	17
Nebraska.....	159	2, 241	157	2, 060	.....	2	.....	181
New Hampshire.....	63	921	59	820	.....	4	.....	101
New Jersey.....	90	1, 833	86	1, 644	.....	4	.....	189
New Mexico.....	8	86	8	70	.....	.....	.....	16
New York.....	471	9, 739	459	8, 795	.....	12	.....	944
North Dakota.....	16	155	16	155	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio.....	428	11, 029	421	10, 241	1	8	.....	788
Oklahoma.....	55	1, 039	49	831	.....	6	.....	208
Oregon.....	62	1, 660	62	1, 538	.....	.....	.....	122
Pennsylvania.....	430	10, 019	416	9, 122	.....	14	.....	897
Potomac.....	12	782	11	686	.....	1	.....	96
Rhode Island.....	22	664	22	599	.....	.....	.....	65
South Dakota.....	55	633	55	592	.....	.....	.....	41
Tennessee.....	24	500	24	435	2	2	.....	65
Texas.....	8	242	10	234	2	.....	.....	8
Utah.....	5	162	5	134	3	3	.....	28
Vermont.....	83	1, 147	76	1, 003	.....	7	.....	144
Virginia and North Carolina.	20	287	18	263	.....	2	.....	24
Washington and Alaska.....	78	2, 185	78	1, 706	.....	.....	.....	479
West Virginia.....	27	699	25	659	.....	2	.....	40
Wisconsin.....	168	3, 113	158	2, 701	4	14	.....	412
	4, 704	103, 258	4, 445	93, 171	36	195	94	10, 181

Members in good standing, December 31, 1920.....	93, 171
Posts in good standing, December 31, 1920.....	4, 445
Net loss during the year (members).....	10, 087
Total number remaining suspended.....	2, 757
Number dropped during the year.....	2, 246
Number of posts that surrendered charters.....	195
Number of posts mustered.....	36
Expended in relief during the year.....	\$29, 801. 29
Members and families relieved.....	666
Others than members relieved.....	263

The number of Civil War veterans on the pension roll December 31, 1920, was 232,280. Comparing this with our membership of 93,171 shows that we have only a little more than 40 per cent of the pensioners in our organization. This is not as it should be, and every Grand Army man should take active steps to bring in as many as possible of those remaining outside from any cause whatever.

Many, no doubt, have not been solicited, and the lengthening shadows admonish us that the time for recruiting will soon be ended. I therefore feel fully justified in calling the attention of every comrade to the urgent need of renewed activity in this line.

Whatever of success has attended my conduct of the office is due almost entirely to the splendid support of Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary to the commander in chief, who graciously came to our relief when we were in dire need, and by her efficient work has kept the affairs of the office running in a perfectly satisfactory manner. By her courteous manner she has made permanent friends of all with whom she has come in contact. She is the daughter of a veteran of the Eleventh Pennsylvania, one of the leading regiments of the Army of the Potomac, and is the national vice president of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary.

For 8 or 10 years before her marriage she served in a similar capacity in the office of the assistant adjutant general of the Department of Indiana, and by that experience was admirably fitted for the position she now occupies.

I can not close this report without a word of appreciation of the privilege I have enjoyed of being associated with such a number of eminent and congenial spirits as those who have graced the staff and executive committee of the commander in chief, and shall always cherish pleasant memories of my term of service with them.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*



## REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

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BUFFALO, N. Y., August 15, 1291.

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,

*Commander in Chief, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

MY DEAR COMMANDER: Again it becomes my privilege in accordance with the rules and regulations to submit my annual report for the term ending August 15, 1921.

The current year has been an eventful one in various ways, and one fraught with much worry and anxiety to the commander in chief and his staff, brought about by two very important factors—the question of locating the next national encampment and the very important question of rates of transportation to and from the said encampment. The commander in chief has been called upon several times, and in some instances with his executive committee, to meet the traffic managers of all the principal associations, in an endeavor to secure a rate of fare that would be acceptable to our membership and also to our auxiliary and allied organizations. We did succeed in getting a rate of one cent per mile for the veteran soldier and his wife and the widows, and also for the army nurses of the Civil War; but the best that could possibly be done for the other organizations was a fare and one-half for the round trip. This, of course, seemed out of the usual order of things and caused much extra anxiety and labor and some additional expense, but be assured that everything has been done that could possibly be done, notwithstanding the fact that we did not accomplish the desired result.

We had invitations to accept entertainment from several cities, but on account of the rates of railroad fare we were compelled to locate at some central point, to and from which the traveling expense would be a minimum; and while it seemed hardly feasible for us to accept the kind invitation extended to us by the good city of Indianapolis, yet, on account of its being near the center of our Grand Army population and its following, we were obliged, in justice to all concerned, to return to the city that so splendidly entertained us in 1920.

We beg to call attention to our financial condition, which at the present time is all that can be expected under the circumstances. Had it not been for the increase in our per capita tax we would have been far behind in meeting our necessary obligations, and at the same time conduct our business affairs with that dignity demanded of the world's greatest organization. As you will notice, our membership is decreasing quite rapidly and will continue to do so from year to year, and I would therefore respectfully recommend that the per capita tax remain as at present, as it would be a very difficult matter to reduce our operating expenses below the basis of the current year.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt during the year, as shown in the supplemental and account current reports, the sum of \$2,000 from our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps; \$973.50 from the Daughters of Veterans; \$250 from the Sons of Veterans Auxiliary, and \$253.80 from the Ladies of the G. A. R. This was all gratefully received and appreciated, and had it not been for the timely aid of



COLA D. R. STOWITS  
Quartermaster General





the Relief Corps we would have been unable to meet the demands made upon us.

And now, my dear commander, you will please accept my personal congratulations and full appreciation of your splendid efforts in behalf of our noble order. The memory of my social and official relations with you and my associate officers and comrades will always be a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

COLA D. R. STOWITS,  
*Quartermaster General.*

### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

*Transcript of books, Aug. 10 to Sept. 30, 1920.*

BUFFALO, N. Y., *September 30, 1920.*

Cash balance in all funds, as reported to the Fifty-fourth	
National Encampment-----	\$2,862.21
Subsequent receipts:	
Sale of supplies-----	\$302.83
Per capita tax-----	1.52
Interest—permanent fund-----	1,000.00
Southern memorial fund-----	27.50
Woman's Relief Corps-----	1,000.00
Daughters of Veterans-----	600.00
Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary-----	250.00
Sale of old canvas-----	15.00
Sale of furniture-----	50.00
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	3,246.85
Total-----	6,109.06
Disbursements:	
For traveling-----	\$225.19
For salaries-----	191.66
For expenses—incidentals-----	475.27
For expenses—1,500 rolls-----	292.50
For expenses—1,500 reports-----	339.00
For transfer to W. J. Patterson, treasurer-----	600.00
For transfer to W. J. Patterson, treasurer-----	250.00
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	2,373.62
Total cash in all funds Sept. 30, 1920-----	3,735.44
To be credited as follows:	
General fund-----	\$2,247.44
Southern memorial fund-----	1,488.00
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	3,735.44

### *Account current.*

#### DEBIT.

Cash received for term ending Aug. 10, 1921; balance in all funds	
as reported in the supplemental report, Sept. 30, 1920-----	\$3,735.44
Subsequent receipts:	
Sale of supplies-----	\$2,237.17
Per capita tax-----	9,260.57
Southern memorial fund—	
Department of Indiana-----	\$74.15
Department of Missouri-----	5.00
Ladies of G. A. R.-----	253.80
Daughters of Veterans-----	383.50
Woman's Relief Corps-----	1,000.00
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	1,716.45
Interest from bank-----	89.19
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	13,303.38
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	17,038.82



CREDIT.

Cash paid out, term ending Aug. 10, 1921:			
For supplies.....	\$2, 163. 91		
Traveling .....	2, 050. 14		
Salaries .....	3, 562. 00		
Expenses .....	2, 979. 41		
Southern memorial fund.....	1, 580. 00		
			\$12, 335. 46
Total cash in all funds, Aug. 10, 1921.....			4, 703. 36
To be credited as follows—			
General fund .....	3, 078. 91		
Southern memorial fund.....	1, 624. 45		
			4, 703. 36

ASSETS.

Cash, general fund.....	3, 078. 91	
Cash, southern memorial fund.....	1, 624. 45	
Supplies on hand.....	1, 050. 00	
Furniture on hand.....	200. 00	
Lithograph stone .....	20. 00	
Gun metal.....	75. 00	
Free blanks .....	80. 00	
		6, 128. 36

*Sale of supplies, per capita tax, southern memorial fund, interest, etc., received for term ended Aug. 10, 1921.*

Departments.	Supplies.	Feb. 1, 1921.	July 15, 1921.	Southern memorial fund.	General fund.
Alabama.....	\$3. 00	\$2. 50	\$2. 50		
Arizona.....		3. 25	3. 30		
Arkansas.....	2. 00	12. 85	12. 85		
California and Nevada.....	17. 50	241. 90	241. 90		
Colorado and Wyoming.....	34. 40	66. 05	66. 05		
Connecticut.....	55. 20	67. 10	67. 10		
Delaware.....	. 57	9. 00	9. 00		
Florida.....	16. 25	34. 30	34. 35		
Georgia and South Carolina.....	5. 35	5. 70	5. 70		
Idaho.....	27. 68	17. 80	17. 80		
Illinois.....	100. 70	343. 40	343. 40		
Indiana.....	72. 81	297. 45	297. 45	\$74. 15	
Iowa.....	42. 88	246. 50	246. 50		
Kansas.....	44. 55	231. 85	231. 85		
Kentucky.....	15. 55	24. 25	24. 25		
Louisiana and Mississippi.....		11. 95	11. 95		
Maine.....	33. 75	79. 00	79. 00		
Maryland.....	50. 58	38. 70	38. 70		
Massachusetts.....	117. 30	267. 80	270. 10		
Michigan.....	43. 00	200. 00	200. 00		
Minnesota.....	34. 83	91. 80	91. 80		
Missouri.....	56. 35	138. 25	138. 25	5. 00	
Montana.....	44. 20	12. 70	12. 70		
Nebraska.....	39. 11	103. 00	103. 00		
New Hampshire.....		41. 00	41. 00		
New Jersey.....	44. 40	82. 20	82. 20		
New Mexico.....	6. 48	3. 50	3. 50		
New York.....	226. 10	439. 75	439. 75		
North Dakota.....	4. 06	7. 75	7. 75		
Ohio.....	165. 13	512. 05	512. 05		
Oklahoma.....	11. 10	41. 55	38. 55		
Oregon.....	5. 00	76. 90	76. 90		

*Sale of supplies, per capita tax, southern memorial fund, interest, etc., received for term ended Aug. 10, 1921—Continued.*

Departments.	Supplies.	Feb. 1, 1921.	July 5, 1921.	Southern memorial fund.	General fund.
Pennsylvania.....	\$242. 61	\$456. 10	\$456. 10	.....	.....
Potomac.....	23. 15	34. 30	34. 30	.....	.....
Rhode Island.....	27. 40	29. 95	30. 20	.....	.....
South Dakota.....	12. 75	29. 60	29. 60	.....	.....
Tennessee.....	12. 50	43. 50	.....	.....	.....
Texas.....	8. 10	11. 70	11. 70	.....	.....
Utah.....	17. 25	6. 70	6. 70	.....	.....
Vermont.....	7. 40	50. 15	50. 15	.....	.....
Virginia and North Carolina.....	4. 28	13. 15	13. 15	.....	.....
Washington and Alaska.....	43. 75	85. 30	83. 70	.....	.....
West Virginia.....	12. 05	32. 95	32. 95	.....	.....
Wisconsin.....	29. 85	80. 57	135. 05	.....	.....
Aids-de-camp.....	293. 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ladies of G. A. R.....	26. 25	.....	.....	\$253. 80	.....
Daughters of Veterans.....	.....	.....	.....	383. 50	.....
Woman's Relief Corps.....	.....	.....	.....	1, 000. 00	.....
Interest from bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$89. 19
Total.....	2, 237. 17	4, 625. 77	4, 634. 80	1, 716. 45	89. 19

*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expense.	Southern Memorial fund.
1920.							
Oct. 1	1	Wm. A. Ketcham, commander in chief, traveling expense.....	.....	\$200. 00	.....	.....	.....
6	2	Central Phone Co., service, long-distance, September.....	.....	.....	.....	\$6. 30	.....
	3	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges and buttons....	\$180. 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
	4	Wm. H. Horstmann, flag ribbons.....	187. 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	5	M. Lockwood, envelopes and voucher checks.....	.....	.....	.....	17. 75	.....
30	6	Katherine R. A. Flood, secretary, salary for October.....	.....	.....	\$150. 00	.....	.....
	6½	Refund of amount advanced account aids ..	.....	.....	.....	50. 00	.....
	7	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for October ..	.....	.....	100. 00	.....	.....
		Expense for October.....	.....	.....	.....	8. 75	.....
	8	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for October ..	.....	.....	41. 66	.....	.....
		Expense for October.....	.....	.....	.....	7. 50	.....



*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expense.	Southern Memorial fund.
1920.							
Nov. 1	9	Gordon L. Elliott, reporting Fifty-fourth National Encampment, 3 copies.....				\$200. 00	
29	10	W. B. Burford Co.: Desk, chair, etc.....				90. 00	
	11	Office supplies.....				27. 55	
	12	Harrington & Folger, 10,000 General Orders, No. 2, letterheads, stamped envelopes, etc.....				294. 88	
	13	Office Supply Co., cabinet and basket.....				28. 85	
	14	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for November.....			\$100. 00		
		Expense for November.....				31. 26	
	15	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for November.....			41. 66		
		Expense for November.....				9. 15	
	16	Baker Bros., two desks and chairs.....				55. 00	
	17	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, stenographer, salary for November.....			32. 00		
	18	Office Supply Co., folders and index cards.....				6. 68	
Dec. 4	19	J. H. Holcomb, assistant quartermaster general: Salary, September, October, and November.....			75. 00		
		Expense, September, October, and November.....				22. 15	
	20	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges and buttons.....	\$237. 88				
15	21	Ell Torrance, chairman, testimonial for Past Commander in Chief Hall.....				500. 00	
	22	Ruth Genier, stenographer, services, October and November.....				50. 00	
	23	Katharine R. A. Flood, secretary: Salary, Nov. 1-10.....			50. 00		
		Expenses, traveling, express, etc.....				60. 29	
24	24	John B. Inman, attending executive committee meeting, Dec. 13-14.....				34. 28	

*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expense.	Southern Memorial fund.
1920. Dec. 24	25	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, attending executive committee meeting, Dec. 13-14.....				\$59.57	
29	26	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for December.....			\$100.00		
		Expense for December.....				38.70	
	28	C. D. R. Stowitz, quartermaster general: Salary for December.....			41.66		
		Expense for December.....				6.20	
	28	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for December.....			125.00		
	29	Smith-Hecht Co., 500 mailing tubes.....				15.00	
	30	Harrington & Folger, printing notices, circulars, etc.....				21.25	
	31	Edgerton & Co., decorating national headquarters.....				40.20	
30	32	J. W. Willett, attending executive committee meeting, Dec. 13-14.....				75.90	
1921. Jan. 6	33	Town Printing Co.: 3,000 leaves of absence.....	\$24.00				
		Letter heads, blanks, etc.....				281.70	
24	34	H. A. Price, Brooklyn, engrossing memorial album for J. D. Bell.....				175.00	
29	35	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for January.....			100.00		
		Expense for January.....				31.59	
	36	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for January.....			41.66		
		Expense for January.....				6.25	
	37	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for January.....			125.00		
Feb. 2	38	Wm. A. Ketcham, commander in chief, traveling expense.....		\$300.00			
9	39	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges, buttons, etc....	531.08				



*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expense.	Southern Memorial fund.
1921. Mar. 3	40	Harrington & Folger, 8,100 General Orders No. 3.....				\$126. 93	
	41	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for February.....			\$100. 00		
		Expense for February.....				10. 00	
		Trip to Pittsburgh.....		\$44. 21			
	42	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for February.....			125. 00		
	43	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for February.....			41. 66		
		Expense for February.....				5. 00	
4	44	J. H. Holcomb, assistant quartermaster general: Salary, December, January and February.....			75. 00		
		Expense, December, January and February.....				16. 25	
31	45	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for March.....			41. 66		
		Expense for March.....				4. 20	
	46	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for March.....			100. 00		
		Expense for March.....				18. 88	
	47	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for March.....			125. 00		
Apr. 27	48	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges, buttons, etc.....	\$366. 20				
	49	Town Printing Co., descriptive book, rituals, etc.....	423. 00			9. 00	
29	50	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for April.....			100. 00		
		Trip to Chicago, Apr. 26.....		20. 40			
		Expense, April.....				17. 45	
	51	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for April.....			125. 00		
	52	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for April.....			41. 66		
		Expense for April.....				8. 20	
		Trip to New York, Apr. 16-19.....		76. 60			
		Trip to Chicago, Apr. 25-26.....		70. 13			

*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expense.	Southern Memorial fund.
1921. Apr. 29	53	John B. Inman, trip to Chicago, Apr. 24-26.		\$40. 24			
	54	Harrington & Folger, General Orders Nos. 4 and 5, etc.				\$113. 63	
May 4	55	Department Virginia and North Carolina, Chas. H. Haber, commander.					\$600. 00
	56	Department of Texas, Max Hart, commander.					50. 00
	57	Department Louisiana and Mississippi, Lewis Herman, commander.					175. 00
	58	Department Georgia and South Carolina, C. J. Hitch, commander.					300. 00
	59	Department Florida, G. W. Brown, commander.					80. 00
	60	Department Alabama, Jas. Ashworth, commander.					50. 00
	61	Department Tennessee, O. L. Thompson, commander.					200. 00
	62	Department Arkansas, Geo. W. Clark, commander.					125. 00
10	63	W. A. Ketcham, commander in chief, traveling expenses.		300. 00			
16	64	J. W. Willett, trip to Chicago, Apr. 26-27.		42. 58			
23	65	George A. Hosley, senior vice commander in chief, attending Vermont Encampment.		16. 20			
31	66	W. A. Bosworth, chaplain, expense, postage.				5. 00	
31	67	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for May.			\$100. 00		
		Expense for May.				32. 31	
		Trip to Galesburg, Ill.		41. 37			
	68	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for May.			41. 66		
		Expense for May.				5. 50	
		Trip to Chicago, May 27-28.		78. 15			
	69	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for May.			125. 00		



*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expense.	Southern Memorial fund.
1921. May 31	70	J. H. Holcomb, assistant quartermaster general: Salary, Mar., Apr., and May.....			\$75. 00		
		Expense, Mar., Apr., and May.....				\$9. 92	
	71	John B. Inman, trip to Chicago, May 27-28....		\$29. 45			
	72	J. W. Willett, trip to Chicago, May 27-28 ..		43. 81			
	73	Charles G. Burton, past commander in chief, representing commander in chief at encampment of California and Nevada.....		68. 90			
June 6	74	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges and buttons....	\$170. 00				
14	75	W. A. Ketcham, commander in chief, traveling expenses.....		300. 00			
29	76	W. A. Ketcham, commander in chief, by wire, care Hartford Club, Connecticut....		51. 11			
	76½	H. R. Bird, trip to Chicago, May and June....		25. 90			
	77	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for June.....			125. 00		
	78	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for June.....			41. 66		
		Expense for June....				10. 20	
	79	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for June....			100. 00		
		Travel to Chicago, Ill., and Greenville, Ohio.....		31. 43			
		Expense for June....				21. 30	
		Floral tribute, "Holland," assistant adjutant general.....				10. 00	
	80	Charles G. Burton, past commander in chief, representing commander in chief at Washington and Alaska encampment, June .....		10. 25			
	81	C. E. Adams, past commander in chief, representing commander in chief at Colorado-Wyoming encampment, June 21-23.....		57. 60			

*Disbursements for the term ending Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.—Continued.*

Date.	No.	To whom paid and for what purpose.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expense.	Southern Memorial fund.
1921.							
July 6	82	John Rieman floral tribute, "Somers".....				\$25. 00	
8	83	J. E. Gandy, jr., vice commander in chief, representing commander in chief at South Dakota. Idaho, and Montana encampment.....		\$141. 11			
30	84	Margaret Adams, extra services, stenographer.....			\$10. 00		
	85	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary, salary for July.....			125. 00		
	86	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for July.....			41. 66		
		Expense for July.....				3. 50	
		Trip to Indianapolis, July 20, 21, 22.....		60. 30			
	87	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for July.....			100. 00		
		Office expense, July.....				46. 33	
Aug. 10	88	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, officers' badges.....	\$43. 75				
	89	C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general: Salary for August.....			41. 66		
		Salary for September (term).....			41. 74		
		Office expense.....				7. 50	
	90	Mrs. Emma S. Finch, secretary: Salary for August.....			125. 00		
		Salary for September (term).....			125. 00		
	91	J. H. Holcomb, assistant quartermaster general, salary, June, July, and August.....			75. 00		
	92	Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general: Salary for August.....			100. 00		
		Expense for August.....				30. 02	
		Salary for September (term).....			100. 00		
	93	Margaret Adams, stenographer, services to date.....			20. 00		
	94	Ruth Genier, stenographer, extra services.....			50. 00		
	95	Harrington & Folger, General Orders, Nos. 6, 7, and 8.....				168. 00	
		Parcel post charges.....				12. 79	
		List of officers.....				10. 75	
		Total.....	2, 163. 91	2, 050. 14	3, 562. 00	2, 979. 41	\$1,580.00



*Supplies on hand, purchased, issued, and remaining on hand for the term ended Aug. 10, 1921, by Cola D. R. Stowits, Quartermaster General.*

	Rules and regulations.	Rituals.	Officers' cards.	Service books.	Odes.	Applications.	Leaves of absence.	Transfers.	Discharges.
On hand Aug. 10, 1920.....	1,770	.....	1,908	989	400	2,948	195	2,061	975
Purchased as per schedule.....	.....	1,000	.....	.....	.....	6,000	3,000	.....	.....
Total to be accounted for.....	1,770	1,000	1,908	989	400	8,948	3,195	2,061	975
Issued.....	217	167	68	313	.....	3,317	895	1,162	100
Balance on hand Aug. 10, 1921.....	1,553	833	1,840	676	400	5,631	2,300	899	875

	Post charters.	Descriptive books.	Badges.	Rank straps.	Buttons.	Ribbons, pieces.	Electrotypes.	Blue books.	Cost.
On hand Aug. 10, 1920...	189	.....	240	1,039	663	24	35	143	\$900.00
Purchased as per schedule.....	.....	100	2,502	320	7,360	27	.....	.....	2,172.91
Total to be accounted for.....	189	100	2,742	1,359	8,023	51	35	143	3,072.91
Issued.....	3	17	2,043	844	7,528	20	5	24	2,540.00
Balance on hand Aug. 10, 1921...	186	83	699	515	495	31	30	119	1,050.00

*Supplies purchased by C. D. R. Stowits, Quartermaster General, during the term ended Aug. 10, 1921.*

From whom purchased.	Rituals.	Leaves of absence.	Applications.	Descriptive books.	Badges.	Rank straps.	Buttons.	Strap ribbon, pieces.	Cost.
W. H. Horstmann Co.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	\$187.50
Joseph K. Davison's Sons.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	.....	2,300	.....	180.50
Do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300	30	2,000	.....	237.88
Town Printing Co.....	.....	3,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.00
Joseph K. Davison's Sons.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,112	290	600	.....	531.08
Do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	650	.....	1,460	2	366.20
Town Printing Co.....	1,000	.....	6,000	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	432.00
Joseph K. Davison's Sons.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	.....	1,000	.....	170.00
Do.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	.....	.....	.....	43.75
Total.....	1,000	3,000	6,000	100	2,502	320	7,360	27	2,172.91

*Statement of total number of posts, membership, and financial condition of the departments of the Grand Army of the Republic, Jan. 1, 1921.*

[Compiled by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.]

Departments.	Posts.	Mem- bers.	Value of real estate.	Cash, post and relief.	Furnishings.	Total value of property.
Alabama.....	3	50	\$260. 00	\$212. 24	\$152. 00	\$624. 24
Arizona.....	4	65	-----	97. 22	30. 00	127. 22
Arkansas.....	12	257	1, 000. 00	348. 20	290. 40	1, 638. 60
California a n d Nevada.....	92	4, 838	5, 644. 60	30, 861. 84	5, 595. 15	42, 101. 59
Colorado a n d Wyoming.....	48	1, 321	9, 560. 00	11, 762. 25	3, 108. 00	24, 430. 25
Connecticut.....	56	1, 342	63, 248. 25	42, 310. 36	12, 709. 27	118, 267. 88
Delaware.....	12	180	-----	1, 081. 18	1, 438. 80	2, 519. 98
Florida.....	23	687	2, 980. 00	938. 68	571. 66	4, 490. 34
Georgia and South Carolina.....	8	114	1, 050. 65	285. 70	150. 00	1, 486. 35
Idaho.....	17	356	11, 033. 47	1, 036. 80	530. 00	12, 600. 27
Illinois.....	326	6, 868	46, 410. 00	43, 245. 59	20, 340. 24	109, 995. 83
Indiana.....	220	5, 949	7, 650. 15	9, 321. 21	8, 342. 59	25, 313. 95
Iowa.....	254	4, 930	22, 360. 00	26, 872. 84	11, 520. 00	50, 752. 84
Kansas.....	255	4, 637	16, 020. 00	8, 567. 92	7, 550. 00	32, 137. 92
Kentucky.....	54	485	150. 00	225. 00	800. 00	1, 175. 00
Louisiana a n d Mississippi.....	23	239	400. 00	371. 49	531. 31	1, 302. 80
Maine.....	102	1, 580	55, 615. 00	20, 068. 14	15, 682. 34	91, 365. 48
Maryland.....	44	774	2, 000. 00	12, 268. 16	1, 900. 00	16, 168. 16
Massachusetts.....	190	5, 356	150, 000. 00	239, 993. 41	4, 000. 00	393, 993. 41
Michigan.....	212	4, 000	13, 800. 00	8, 995. 42	20, 250. 00	43, 045. 42
Minnesota.....	126	1, 836	2, 220. 00	5, 624. 07	665. 00	8, 509. 07
Missouri.....	136	2, 765	7, 870. 00	52, 545. 18	4, 081. 25	64, 496. 43
Montana.....	13	254	412. 50	3, 393. 24	318. 00	4, 123. 74
Nebraska.....	157	2, 060	34, 300. 50	20, 157. 63	4, 854. 00	59, 312. 13
New Hampshire....	59	820	31, 132. 50	17, 286. 29	14, 731. 13	63, 149. 92
New Jersey.....	86	1, 644	26, 106. 00	31, 022. 28	15, 916. 87	72, 045. 15
New Mexico.....	8	70	199. 44	-----	100. 00	299. 44
New York.....	459	8, 795	43, 424. 65	220, 750. 40	62, 674. 34	326, 849. 39
North Dakota.....	16	155	992. 25	-----	-----	992. 25
Ohio.....	421	10, 241	35, 210. 62	50, 232. 38	24, 073. 84	109, 516. 84
Oklahoma.....	49	831	4, 000. 00	716. 52	855. 96	5, 572. 48
Oregon.....	62	1, 538	3, 270. 00	11, 275. 17	2, 240. 60	16, 785. 77
Pennsylvania.....	416	9, 122	190, 000. 00	58, 717. 26	12, 000. 00	260, 717. 26
Potomac.....	11	686	-----	12, 958. 82	2, 224. 00	15, 182. 82
Rhode Island.....	22	599	-----	18, 927. 53	5, 385. 00	24, 312. 53
South Dakota.....	55	592	200. 00	522. 07	-----	722. 07
Tennessee.....	24	435	-----	-----	700. 00	700. 00
Texas.....	10	234	1, 100. 00	619. 97	361. 00	2, 080. 97
Utah.....	5	134	150. 00	920. 89	-----	1, 070. 89
Vermont.....	76	1, 003	600. 00	11, 724. 61	4, 541. 85	16, 866. 46
Virginia and North Carolina.....	18	263	-----	114. 28	240. 00	354. 28
Washington and Alaska.....	78	1, 706	4, 356. 00	1, 033. 72	2, 166. 50	7, 556. 22
West Virginia.....	25	659	100. 00	2, 279. 14	135. 25	2, 514. 39
Wisconsin.....	158	2, 701	10, 206. 70	13, 024. 55	14, 527. 75	37, 759. 00
Total.....	4, 445	93, 171	802, 841. 59	993, 901. 34	278, 284. 10	2, 075, 027. 03



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PHILADELPHIA, PA., August 10, 1921.

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

COMRADE: I have the honor to present this, the twenty-sixth consecutive annual report for the year ending as above.

Since turning over all my records and documents that had accumulated during the past 25 years to the Library of Congress at Washington, I have been receiving pretty regularly the minutes of the several department encampments, all of which I have forwarded to the above-named Library to be filed in the department which was organized for Grand Army records, and which I was permitted to look over on the occasion of a visit to Washington last spring. I again recommend to all those who have Grand Army literature that they want safely cared for to forward the same to the Librarian, for which franked envelopes will be sent on application.

I have purchased and sent out all supplies needed by the Grand Army of the Republic under the supervision of the quartermaster general, full schedules of which, together with account of all supplies purchased, sent out, and remaining on hand, will appear in the report of the quartermaster general.

I have had printed and distributed to the various departments supplies for free blanks, a memorandum of which is appended below:

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Thanking a Gracious Providence that has spared my life for this service, and acknowledging, with thanks, the kindness and courtesy of all those with whom I have been brought in official relations, I am,

Fraternally yours in F., C., and L.,  
J. HENRY HOLCCMB,  
*Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian.*



J. HENRY HOLCOMB  
Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian





THOMAS S. HOPKINS  
Judge Advocate General

## REPORT OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., *August 1, 1921.*

MAHLON D. BUTLER,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: I beg to submit this, my report as judge advocate general.

The most of the cases referred to me by the commander in chief, for my opinion, have been of minor importance. None of them has involved contests between individuals, as has sometimes happened in the past. They have simply been requests for information.

The following opinions were rendered by me in response to requests from the commander in chief:

### I.

The department commander of Illinois asks:

1. In the case of a post that is delinquent in payment of dues, and whose members have been reduced to a very few, has the department power to remit all but a year's dues, in order that such members might again be in good standing and qualified to surrender its charter?

2. Would the council of administration have the power to take such action?

### OPINION.

The department commander in his letter does not make himself clear as to whether the delinquencies to which he refers are dues owing by members of the post, or per capita tax owing by the post to the department, but I assume he has in mind the latter.

I am unable to find any specific authority for departmental action in the matter of remittance of the per capita tax due the department from a post. But in the absence of any prohibition in the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I think the whole subject of per capita tax imposed upon the posts is subject to the action of the department, provided such action does not in any way interfere with or change the amount properly due from the department to the national headquarters.

As to question No. 2, chapter 3, article 7, paragraph 64, of the rules and regulations provides that "The council of administration shall have charge of the working interests of the department. \* \* \*."

I am of the opinion that the council of administration of a department has the power to act in such a matter as is referred to above.

### II.

In this case Comrade Allan C. Bakewell, by his will, devised \$2,000 to "The permanent fund of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic."

The executor declined to pay over the legacy to Comrade L. S. Pilcher, chairman of the permanent fund of the Grand Army, on



the ground that the Grand Army, being an incorporated body, the money should be paid to the corporation. The Grand Army, as every comrade knows, has not as yet been incorporated. The commander in chief asked for an opinion as to what should be done.

#### OPINION.

As the executor of the will of Comrade Bakewell has rendered a decision based on a mistaken premise, it is not possible to know what he will decide when he learns that the Grand Army is not an incorporated body. Perhaps he will pay the amount involved to Dr. Pilcher without further question.

The situation as it appears to me is this: I believe the surrogate of Queens County, N. Y., when his attention is called to the matter, will take official cognizance of the fact that the Grand Army of the Republic is a lawfully organized association, composed of veterans of the Civil War. The law-making powers of the Government have repeatedly recognized it as such, through acts of Congress, duly signed by the President. For example, the act of Congress authorizing the printing at the Government Printing Office of the proceedings of the annual national encampment of the Grand Army. If the sovereign power recognizes the lawful existence of the organization, I do not see how the courts can fail to do so.

If, then, a certified copy of the act of the Grand Army, at one or more of its regular encampments, in making custodians of its permanent funds, be furnished, it seems clear to me that the surrogate would be justified in directing the executor in this case to pay over the legacy to Dr. Pilcher, chairman of the permanent fund.

If, however, the surrogate declines to do so, after being fully informed as to the facts, then I suggest that the matter be placed in the hands of some New York lawyer.

#### III.

The following questions were submitted to me:

1. Can a department commander who has lost his honors as such by being dropped from the rolls of his post be reinstated to his lost honors by joining another post?

2. If that course is permissible, what, if any, obligation or duty is there on him, the post which he has recently joined, or the officers of the Grand Army to take the matter up with the post from which he was dropped or the department in which that post is located?

3. Can a department properly establish and maintain a post in another department or in a foreign country, and, if so, what steps are necessary to be taken; if not so, what steps are necessary to question the validity of such an organization?

#### OPINION.

Par. 1. Under the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic has power to restore the rank of past department commander to a comrade who has lost such honor. Blue Book, 1912 edition, chapter 3, article 2, page 59, paragraphs 6 and 7: "But this power should not be exercised in cases where the rank has been forfeited by the voluntary act of the comrade." Ibid. His application to the national encampment must be addressed to the commander

in chief, in accordance with the rules prescribed by the Denver encampment, Journal, 1883, page 128.

I am of the opinion that if a comrade be dropped for nonpayment of dues he comes within the term "voluntary act," as used above, although the actual act of being dropped from the rolls may be involuntary, so far as he is concerned.

Par. 2. The answer to this is contained in my opinion concerning paragraph 1.

Par. 3. The rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic provide that:

"The commander in chief may authorize the organization of posts in a foreign country and attach them to any department where there is a sufficient number of persons eligible to membership to maintain a post, who, notwithstanding their residence there, still hold their allegiance to the United States. Blue Book, 1912 edition, chapter 2, article 1, page 27, paragraph 4."

The provision, as quoted, is so clear that nothing further need be said on the subject, except in response to that part of the third question as to the power of a department to establish and maintain a post in another department, to say that a department has no such power.

#### IV.

Comrade Frank M. Sterrett, commander of A. H. Coleman Post, No. 159, Department of Ohio, asks, in substance, by what method a post may sever its relations with the auxiliary of the Woman's Relief Corps.

#### OPINION.

Probably the members of the post realize that it is easier to form an alliance with the other sex than to withdraw from it. Experience teaches this. However, the case is not hopeless, provided the members, as the lawyers say, "come into court with clean hands." Ordinarily, when a husband seeks to have the marriage contract annulled, he must prove affirmatively that he has been guilty of no wrongdoing himself. But in this case I would not go so far as to say that it will be necessary for each individual member to be questioned under oath as to whether he is guiltless of all offenses. To hold thus might cause consternation in some posts. It may be taken for granted that the members' hands are "clean" and that their souls are white.

I will, however, give my opinion in a more serious manner, and it is this:

If the recognition of the body of women forming the auxiliary was through a vote of the post, then the union may be dissolved by action of the post repealing that vote.

It will be observed that the post commander has not advised as to the manner in which this auxiliary became attached to the post. But I have no doubt it was by a formal vote.

I beg to thank the commander in chief and the adjutant general for their uniform courtesy and consideration in our official relations, and I tender to them both my best wishes for happiness and length of days.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

THOMAS S. HOPKINS,  
*Judge Advocate General.*



## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

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BOISE, IDAHO, *August 15, 1921.*

MAHLON D. BUTLER,

*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

1. Since my appointment by the commander in chief as inspector general, G. A. R., my duties have consisted only in forwarding for appointment by the commander in chief as assistant inspector generals the several comrades who have been nominated for these positions by the department commanders.

2. All of the comrades thus appointed, save two, appear to have regarded the honors thus conferred upon them as not worthy, even of perfunctory compliance with the Blue Book.

3. Of the thirty assistant inspector generals nominated and recommended for such appointment, two only have reported to me, and their reports are herewith forwarded without an abstract thereof.

4. Fourteen department commanders failed to report to me a nomination for such appointment.

5. To me it seems of great importance that the adjutant general should be supplied with the information which it was the plain duty of the appointees to furnish.

6. I would recommend that, in a paragraph of a general order, the attention of such appointees be called to the necessity of prompt and full performance of their duties, if we are to continue to be worthy of our great heritage.

7. If my successor were to be thus deprived of data from which to compile a report, he would be deprived, as I am, of the opportunity for usefulness in the order of which we should all be proud.

MARSHALL W. WOOD,  
*Inspector General.*



MARSHALL W. WOOD  
Inspector General





SMITH STIMMEL  
National Patriotic Instructor

## REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

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FARGO, N. DAK., *August 15, 1921.*

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General, Indianapolis, Ind.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I have the honor of submitting to you my report as national patriotic instructor of the Grand Army of the Republic.

On assuming the duties of the office of national patriotic instructor, it occurred to me that in order to acquaint myself with the patriotic conditions of the different parts of the country, it would be well to open direct correspondence with members of our several departments and our kindred organizations, and to that end I proceeded to send out a series of circular letters to comrades and friends in every department of the order. These letters brought many very helpful and gratifying responses, and in order that you may know something of the scope of that correspondence, I herewith submit copies of those letters in the order in which they were sent out:

LETTER NO. 1, DATED DECEMBER 2, 1920.

*To the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and kindred organizations, greeting:*

We are living at a time that calls for the highest type of American patriotism. The world-wide disturbed condition, incident to the close of the great World War, is an urgent call for better things.

The American people are in a position to render a great and notable service in molding and shaping a new and better world civilization, by fixing a high moral standard of citizenship. Our splendid representative form of Government, our public school system, and the liberty and freedom we enjoy afford every individual man and woman, boy and girl, an opportunity to develop and bring out the best there is in them, by which to build up a high standard of American citizenship; not a proud and austere citizenship, but an appreciative and helpful citizenship.

In America we have become accustomed to such a large measure of personal liberty that there is a possible danger of our failing to realize how great and how many our civic blessings are. So much so is this the case that we are liable to become careless and wasteful in the use of our great freedom; that is to say, we are liable to forget the price that was paid for these privileges, and thoughtlessly throw away many of our beneficent opportunities. It must be conceded that our most fruitful field for growth and development in good citizenship is in our public schools. There is where we reach the masses. We must keep close to them.

In dealing with the youth in our schools, we must bring to their attention in an impressive and persuasive manner the plain and simple methods of developing good citizens by the every-day practice of truthfulness, honesty, and industry, and instill into the mind and heart of our youth the high moral principles set forth in the decalogue; also such as are contained in the Boy Scout oath, which reads as follows: "On my honor, I will do my best, (1) to do my duty to God and to my country, and to obey the scout law; (2) to help other people at all times; (3) to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight." The 12 points of the scout law are along the same line. Character built upon an obligation like that would develop a citizenship that would at



once become the joy and pride of humanity everywhere. Every boy may not be inclined to become a scout, but every boy may and should become imbued with the high ideals comprehended in the scout oath.

As national patriotic instructor, I earnestly appeal to all members of the Grand Army of the Republic, and our kindred organizations, to join hands in one united effort to make our American citizenship what it ought to be, and that unitedly we call upon all fraternal orders, teachers, and ministers of the gospel, the press and the public, to join in the work of making our people 100 per cent American citizens, which is the highest civic honor to which any man or woman can attain.

If this appeals to you, let me hear from you, as I have further plans to suggest.

Sincerely yours in F., C. and L.,

SMITH STIMMEL,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

LETTER NO. 2, DATED JANUARY 15, 1921.

I am glad to note that there is much interest being taken in patriotic lines of work by all patriotic bodies in America at this time. The Americanization of the foreigners who come to our shores, and the training of the youth in our public schools along the lines of good citizenship, are the points of special interest.

The beautiful custom of placing the flag in our public school rooms, or floating it from the top or in front of school buildings, and having the pupils salute the flag, prevails in most of the States. It should be in all of them. But lest that should become a custom only, and we should lose the spirit and love of country for which the flag stands, we suggest that a line of teaching that makes for good citizenship should be emphasized in our schools, beginning with the lower grades. Where the minds of our youth are impressed with ideas that inspire and develop good citizenship at an early age, it is apt to become lasting.

This teaching of the principles of good citizenship can only be done effectively through the direction of our school boards, principals and superintendents of the schools. We believe that this should be a necessary part of our educational system, as much as music, or any other branch of study. Indeed, we believe that the chief aim and object of our public schools should be the development of 100 per cent American citizens. In the last analysis the teacher in the school room, next to the home, comes closest to and has more to do with the training of our youth than any other person. Let none but true blue American teachers have a hand in molding and shaping our coming citizens.

We suggest that the due observance of all our national holidays be kept up in good form. In many places the celebration of the Fourth of July has gone out of practice, except in the matter of making a noise. We suggest that where possible the community should plan to celebrate the Fourth of July in some impressive and educational way as well as in making a joyful noise. On every such occasion some one who is well qualified to do so should be secured to make a plain and instructive talk on what the observance of that day means, a talk that is easily understood by the children and the common people. Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays should be celebrated in much the same way, emphasizing the high moral character and integrity of those two great pillars of our American Republic, and their patriotic and unselfish devotion to the welfare of their country.

It must be remembered that there are a great many enemies of our Government abroad in the land, and we should be vigilant in promulgating the fundamental principles on which our free institutions stand. Doubtless many of you feel that you have contributed your full share of patriotic work, and in a large sense that is true; but it is not so much what any of us old veterans may be able to do that counts as what we may be instrumental in getting others to do. Almost all communities stand ready and willing to lend a helping hand in carrying out the wishes of the old soldiers, if they know what those wishes are. Hence, I would respectfully urge that you call upon your valued auxiliaries and kindred organizations to join in special efforts to secure the

active cooperation of the school officers and good citizens of your respective communities in your patriotic enterprises.

Kindly let me hear from you and oblige,

Very truly, yours in F., C., and L.,

SMITH STIMMEL,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

LETTER NO. 3, DATED APRIL 19, 1921.

"Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." There has probably never been a time since the Civil War when that dictum should command attention more than it should to-day.

We are not pessimistic. We have an abiding faith in the patriotism and the good sense of the American people; but the anarchists are abroad in the land, and their purpose is to do all in their power to undermine and overthrow our American Republic. They are un-American, cruel, and inhuman. Their agitators work their way into the labor unions, and there seek to create prejudice against their employers and engender class hatred. They go among the farmers and through all sorts of chicanery try to create prejudice in their minds against men in other lines of business. They instruct their agitators—their field men—how and what to do to create class hatred by false and fraudulent representations. They are told to "lie like horse thieves" in order to deceive the farmers, and they are plainly told that it is not shorter hours or more wages they want, but that it is revolution they are after.

Doubtless there are many reforms needed in our social and industrial life—reforms that are being worked out; but the anarchist does not want reform, he wants revolution for the purpose of plunder. In their published declarations the anarchists say: "The working class and the employing class have nothing in common. \* \* \* Between these two classes a struggle must go on until the workers of the world organize as a class, take possession of the earth and the machinery of production and abolish the wage system. \* \* \* Instead of the conservative motto, 'A fair day's wage for a fair day's work,' we must inscribe on our banner the revolutionary watchword, 'Abolition of the wage system.'"

They are opposed to religion, and would destroy the unity and sanctity of the home. This and much more of the same kind is their propaganda. Fortunately the labor unions do not all agree with these radical and un-American ideas. The average wage earner believes in the sacredness of his home, and will fight if need be to maintain it. It behooves every law-abiding, liberty-loving American to awake and line up against the encroachments of the anarchists, and in the meantime establish a course of training along the lines of patriotism and true Americanism in all our public schools.

Sincerely yours, in F., C., and L.,

SMITH STIMMEL,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

I would be glad to give many of the replies received in response to these letters, but it would make this report too voluminous; suffice to say, our people are awakening to the great needs of the hour. Every patriotic organization in the country is actively interested in promoting patriotic lines of work. In some States they have secured legislation providing for courses of instruction in American citizenship in their public schools. Our national holidays are being more generally observed than formerly, and Memorial Day this year was observed with deeper reverence and more in keeping with the sacred memories of the day than has heretofore been the custom in many places.

AMERICAN LEGION.

Recently we have acquired a new and valuable addition to our patriotic forces in the organization of the American Legion, which



joined us and greatly aided us in our Memorial Day services. This young patriotic order has all the strength and vigor of youth, and is 100 per cent American. It can be depended upon to the limit to uphold and maintain our American institutions as preserved and handed down to them by their fathers. *All honor to our American Legion boys!*

In conclusion, I wish to thank our beloved commander in chief for honoring me with this appointment, and for the uniform courtesies shown me by the members of his official staff.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours in F., C. and L.,

SMITH STIMMEL,  
*National Patriotic Instructor, G. A. R.*

## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO, *August 10, 1921.*

Comrade MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: My official duties as chief of staff during the past year have been very limited; in fact, I do not know of anything that I have done, unless it was an effort on my part to induce the good people of Toledo to have the encampment at Toledo this year; and, notwithstanding my efforts, the proposition was turned down. I have held myself in readiness to perform any duty of which I was capable when called upon by the commander in chief.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

S. G. HARVEY,  
*Chief of Staff.*



REPORT OF THE SENIOR AID-DE-CAMP.

DENVER, COLO., *August 6, 1921.*

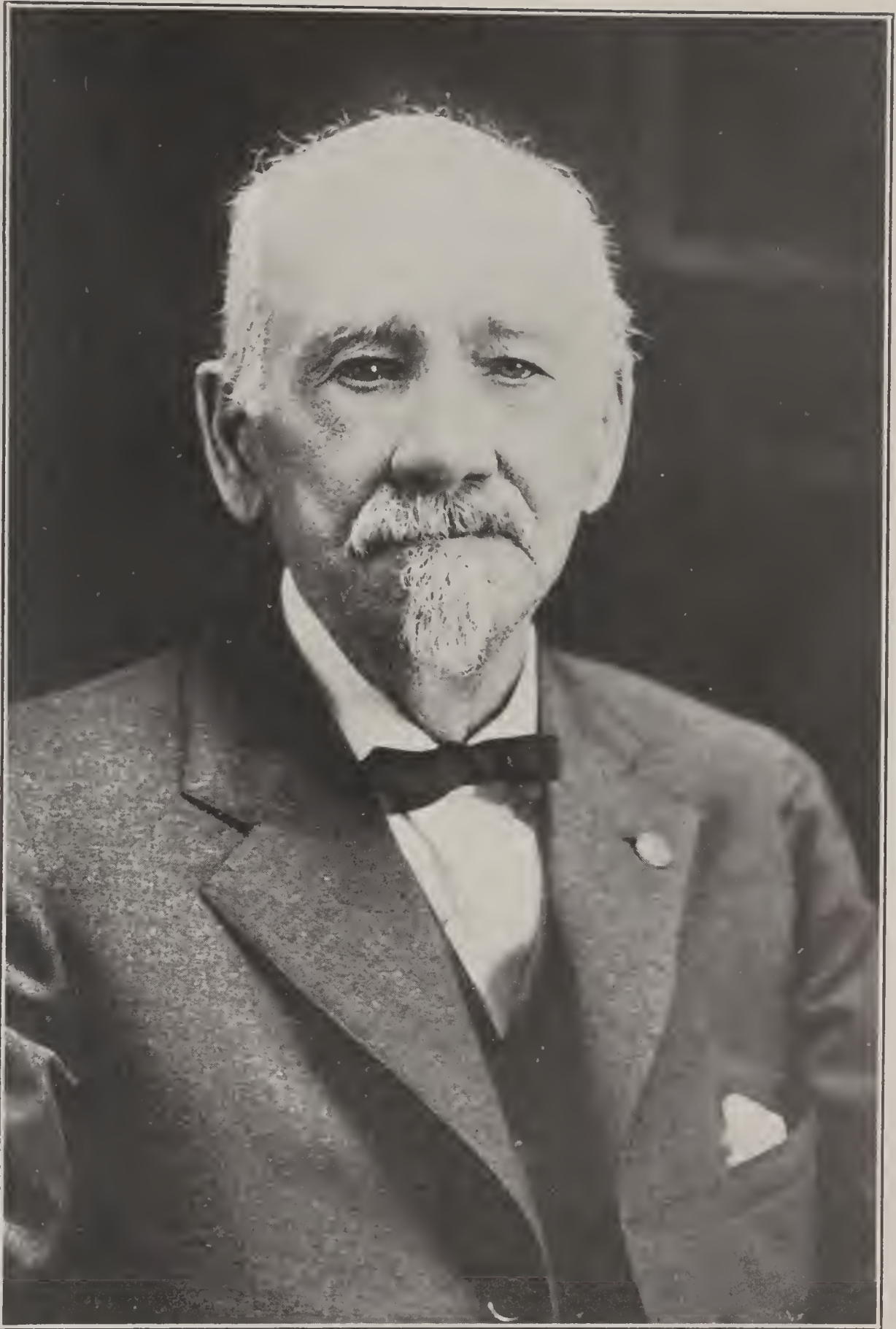
Comrade MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R., Indianapolis, Ind.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: I have visited—

Grand Army of the Republic posts-----	15
Woman's Relief Corps-----	9
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Most respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

W. H. COMSTOCK,  
*Senior Aid-de-Camp.*



S. G. HARVEY  
Chief of Staff





WM. H. COMSTOCK  
Senior Aid-de-Camp

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PERMANENT FUND.

*Account of Wm. J. Patterson, treasurer of the permanent fund, Grand Army of the Republic, for the year ended Aug. 1, 1921.*

### SECURITIES ON DEPOSIT WITH THE UNION TRUST CO.

1921.		
Aug. 1.	4½ per cent corporate stock, city of New York-----	\$17,000.00
	4½ per cent Cleveland school bonds-----	4,000.00
	4 per cent Philadelphia registered loans-----	9,800.00
	4¼ per cent United States Liberty loan, No. 3-----	500.00
Total-----		<u>31,300.00</u>

### INCOME.

1920.		
Aug. 1.	To balance of cash on hand with Union Trust Co-----	920.23
Aug. 21.	To interest, Cleveland school bonds-----	\$90.00
Sept. 16.	To interest, United States Liberty loan-----	10.63
Nov. 1.	To interest, New York City corporate stock-----	382.50
1921.		
Jan. 4.	To interest, Philadelphia registered loans-----	196.00
Feb. 23.	To interest, Cleveland school bonds-----	90.00
Mar. 16.	To interest, United States Liberty loan-----	10.62
May 2.	To interest, New York City corporate stock-----	382.50
July 1.	To interest, Philadelphia registered loans-----	196.00
		<u>1,358.25</u>
1920.		
Sept. 29.	To donation, Daughters of Veterans-----	600.00
	To donation, Sons of Veterans Auxiliary-----	250.00
	To interest on balance in Union Trust Co-----	22.76
1921.		
July 14.	To legacy of Allen C. Bakewell, deceased-----	2,000.00
Total income-----		<u>5,151.24</u>

### EXPENDITURES.

1920.		
Aug. 25.	By check to quartermaster general-----	\$1,000.00
1921.		
Aug. 1.	By 5 per cent to Union Trust Co. for collections-----	67.92
		<u>1,067.92</u>
Cash balance on deposit with Union Trust Co-----		4,083.32

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES,  
LEWIS S. PILCHER, *Chairman.*  
WM. J. PATTERSON, *Treasurer.*  
WALTON WEBER.

The Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, depository for the trustees of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic, hereby certifies that the foregoing annual statement to August 1, 1921, showing \$31,300 in securities and \$4,083.32 cash on deposit with this company, is correct.

THE UNION TRUST CO. OF PITTSBURGH,  
By W. W. GRINSTEAD, *Assistant Trust Officer.*



## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., *August 24, 1921.*

Comrade MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Your committee on legislation would respectfully report that in compliance with the instructions of the national encampment held at Indianapolis in September, 1920, the request to change the name of "Mount Rainier" to "Mount Lincoln," was brought before the Geographic Board of the city of Washington at two different sessions of that body. The request of the encampment was ably presented by Comrade Chase of the State of Washington, and was supported by the commander in chief and other members of the committee, but after due consideration the Geographic Board declined to make the change.

The bill to incorporate the Grand Army of the Republic prepared by Comrades Robert McBride, Stanton J. Peelle, and John M. Williams, was presented to the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives at the present session of the Congress. After the hearings and the committee had made some amendments, which do not entirely meet with the wishes of your committee on legislation, the bill received the unanimous approval of the Committee on the Judiciary and was placed on the calendar, but has not yet been passed but probably will be during the present Congress.

A concurrent resolution has passed the Congress for the publication of the Journal of the encampment soon to convene in Indianapolis. It is to be regretted that the Journal of the last encampment was so long delayed in publication, but circumstances over which your committee had no control caused the unusual lateness of its appearance.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

WASHINGTON GARDNER, *Chairman.*

ELL TORRENCE.

JOHN L. CLEM.

D. S. ALEXANDER.

STANTON J. PEELLE.

**NATIONAL COUNCIL *and*  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF  
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, HELD  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1921, AT HOTEL SEVERIN,  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

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This meeting, which had been called for 4 o'clock p. m., Monday, September 26, 1921, in General Orders, No. 9 (series 1920-21), was by direction of the national council of administration held beginning at 2.20 o'clock p. m. on September 26, 1921. (See minutes of meeting of national council of administration, September 26, 1921, p. 171.)

The following members of the executive committee were in attendance: Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham; Senior Vice Commander in Chief George A. Hosley; Adjutant General Mahlon D. Butler; Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits; and Comrades John B. Inman, J. W. Willett, George A. Price, John C. Roland, J. Andrew Wilt, and H. R. Bird.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The first thing is the report of the auditing committee.

Comrade PRICE (reading):

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 26, 1921.*

We, the undersigned, having been appointed as a committee to examine the books of the quartermaster general, having performed that duty do hereby certify that they found them correct and the balance in bank to be forty-seven hundred and three dollars and thirty-six cents (\$4,703.36.)

GEO. A. PRICE, *Chairman.*

J. W. WILLETT.

JOHN B. INMAN.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report.

Adj. Gen. BUTLER. I move that it be approved.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the report of the auditing committee on the quartermaster general's accounts be approved. All in favor say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is a unanimous vote.

Is that all that is before us?

Comrade INMAN. I desire to offer the following resolution.  
[Reading:]

*Resolved*, That all acts of Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham pertaining to the location and other arrangements of the Fifty-fifth National Encampment are hereby approved by the executive committee.

*Resolved*, That we especially commend the masterful manner in which he pleaded before the chairman of the various passenger associations for a 1-cent rate for our auxiliary and other allied societies, and when that failed, how, with the consent of the executive committee, he offered to divide our privi-



lege of a 1-cent rate with these bodies, establishing a 2-cent rate for all, but without avail. "We must not desert our allies," was his contention.

However, the widows and nurses were included in the 1-cent rate, much to our gratification.

I move the adoption of the resolutions.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

Senior Vice Commander in Chief HOSLEY (presiding). You have heard the resolutions as read, comrades. All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." They are unanimously adopted.

(Upon motion of Comrade Willett, duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, the meeting of the executive committee adjourned.)

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION, HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1921,  
AT THE HOTEL SEVERIN, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.**

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The national council of administration met at 2 o'clock p. m. on Monday, September 26, 1921, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief. Those present were:

Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief George A. Hosley, Boston, Mass.  
Chaplain in Chief William A. Bosworth, Wichita, Kans.  
Adj't. Gen. Mahlon D. Butler, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
Comrade George F. Jackson, of Alabama.  
Comrade E. S. Godfrey, of Arizona.  
Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.  
Comrade Charles F. Derby, of California and Nevada.  
Comrade James E. Jewell, of Colorado and Wyoming.  
Comrade William Kelley, of Delaware.  
Comrade George E. Whitmann, of Georgia and South Carolina.  
Comrade George F. Kimery, of Idaho.  
Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.  
Comrade F. M. Van Pelt, of Indiana.  
Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.  
Comrade Americus Whedon, of Kentucky.  
Comrade Alphonzo Rollins, of Maine.  
Comrade Wilfred A. Wetherbee, of Massachusetts.  
Comrade Levi Longfellow, of Minnesota.  
Comrade John M. Williams, of Missouri.  
Comrade George A. Price, of New York.  
Comrade John C. Roland, of Ohio.  
Comrade F. E. Hills, of Oklahoma.  
Comrade J. G. Chambers, of Oregon.  
Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.  
Comrade John Middleton, of Potomac.  
Comrade Henry W. Nye, of Texas.  
Comrade H. W. Charter, of Utah.  
Comrade J. A. Thwing, of Vermont.  
Comrade H. W. Weiss, of Virginia and North Carolina.  
Comrade F. H. Hurd, of Washington and Alaska.  
Comrade H. R. Bird, of Wisconsin.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF (after the roll call). There seems to be a quorum present. Is there any business especially to come before this general council this afternoon? I would be glad to hear of anything because we have some other things to do this afternoon that we can't very well put off. Do you know of anything, Comrade Inman?



Comrade INMAN. No, sir; nothing that I can think of until the executive committee have met, as far as I know, and deliberated upon their regular business that they have to transact during the year.

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Commander, as a majority of the executive committee is present, I move that they report now, and that will save having another meeting at 4 o'clock.

Adj. Gen. BUTLER. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Have you anything to report from the executive committee?

Adj. Gen. BUTLER. I have nothing.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Inman, have you?

Comrade WILT. We haven't had a meeting yet.

Comrade INMAN. The fact is the committee has not had a meeting. I believe, as the quartermaster general says, we could combine the two. If you would declare a recess and let us hold a meeting, and then bring in a report right here, it would save meeting again later.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. How many of them are here?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Six of the appointed ones.

Comrade WETHERBEE. I move that we take a recess of 15 minutes, and this committee be requested to report at that time.

(The motion was duly seconded, put to the council by the commander in chief, and carried. A recess was then taken, during which time the executive committee retired and held a meeting.)

(Upon the return of the executive committee the council of administration was called to order by the commander in chief, and the shorthand reporter read the minutes of the proceedings of the executive committee at the meeting just previously held. See p. 169 of this Journal for the minutes of said meeting of the executive committee.)

Comrade WILLETT. Recognizing the rule that has been observed in all organizations similar to ours, I ask for a division of the subject matter included in that report so that the resolution which was last read may be submitted separate and apart.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Demand being made for a separation, the question will now come on the report of the committee as to the approval of the auditing committee's report on the accounts of the quartermaster general. A motion on that with reference to that report is now in order. Do I hear it?

Comrade WHITMAN. I move that the report be adopted.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, and carried.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. On the question as to the adoption of the rest of the report of the executive committee, obviously the commander in chief ought not to participate in it, and I will ask the senior vice commander in chief to take the chair with reference to that.

(Senior Vice Commander in Chief Hosley took the chair.)

Comrade WILLETT. Senior Vice Commander in Chief, I move the adoption of the resolution, and, if necessary, call for the reading of it anew.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Is it the wish of the council of administration to hear this read anew?

Comrade INMAN. It has been read.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Then the question is on the adoption of this resolution. All in favor of this resolution being adopted, manifest it by the usual sign. Contrary minded. It is a unanimous vote.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now is there anything further to come before this meeting of the general council? The probabilities are we have done all the work to-day that there is to be done until the new council is elected, but something might come up before the new council is elected and I suggest that a motion to adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief, in the event something should come up that required action, would be in order. Do I hear that motion?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I make that motion.

(The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief to the council, and unanimously carried.)

Comrade INMAN. The executive committee will understand that the meeting called for 4 o'clock will not be held?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Yes.

(Whereupon at 2.45 o'clock p. m., the meeting of the national council of administration stood adjourned subject to the call of the commander in chief.)



## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, HELD THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1921, AT THE HOTEL SEVERIN, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

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The new council of administration met on the thirteenth floor of the Hotel Severin at 3 o'clock p. m., Friday, September 29, 1921, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief.

Upon roll call the following members of the council were found to be present:

Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Robert W. McBride, Indianapolis, Ind.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Henry A. Johnson, Washington, D. C.

Surg. Gen. M. W. Wood, Boise, Idaho.

Adj. Gen. William C. Peckham, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.

Comrade Chas. F. Derby, of California and Nevada.

Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut.

Comrade William Kelley, of Delaware.

Comrade G. E. Whitman, of Georgia and South Carolina.

Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.

Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.

Comrade E. W. Phillips, of Kansas.

Comrade Americus Whedon, of Kentucky.

Comrade Edwin Riley, of Maine.

Comrade Jacob R. Tucker, of Maryland.

Comrade Wilfred A. Wetherbee, of Massachusetts.

Comrade H. A. Chapin, of Michigan.

Comrade Levi Longfellow, of Minnesota.

Comrade John M. Williams, of Missouri.

Comrade W. H. Stewart, of Nebraska.

Comrade Wm. O. Allen, of New Jersey.

Comrade W. W. McDonald, of New Mexico.

Comrade George A. Price, of New York.

Comrade John C. Rowland, of Ohio.

Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade John Middleton, of Potomac.

Comrade John A. Medbery, of Rhode Island.

Comrade J. C. Luce, of South Dakota.

Comrade O. C. Kinley,<sup>1</sup> of Tennessee.

Comrade Henry W. Nye, of Texas.

Comrade Henry W. Charter, of Utah.

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<sup>1</sup>Appointed by the department commander of Tennessee to act at this encampment for Newton Hacker.

Comrade George W. Burchfield, of Virginia and North Carolina.  
Comrade F. H. Hurd, of Washington and Alaska.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the roll shows a quorum present for the transaction of business. The first business will be the fixing of the number of the executive committee for the following year. The past year the executive committee of the council of administration has consisted of the commander in chief, the senior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and seven members to be appointed by the commander in chief from the council of administration. A motion on the subject is in order.

Comrade WILT. I move that the executive committee for the present year consist of the same officers and the same number of members of the council of administration to be appointed as last year, the seven over the officers to be appointed by the commander in chief.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are there any remarks upon this motion?

Comrade NYE. As I understand, he says the same members from the council of administration.

Comrade WILT. The same number of members.

Comrade NYE. I did not hear the speaker. I do not hear as well as I used to.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade labors under the same disability that most of us do. We do not hear as well and as quickly and as readily as we used to. We can sympathize with you. Comrades, are there any other remarks? Are you ready for the question? All in favor of the resolution that the executive committee of the council of administration for the following year shall be constituted as for the year previous will say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is so ordered.

The next thing for the consideration of the committee will be the fixing of appropriations for the use of the various officials of the Grand Army for the coming year.

Comrade WILLERT. Commander in Chief, at page 197 of the proceedings of last year there is a resolution which we have boiled down the last few years on this committee that reads:

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief be authorized to draw on the quartermaster general for the sum of \$1,800, or as much thereof as may be necessary to pay actual traveling expenses; that the salary of the adjutant general be fixed at \$1,200 per year; that the salary of the quartermaster general be fixed at \$500 per year; that the bond of the adjutant general be fixed in the sum of \$1,000, and the bond of the quartermaster general be fixed in the sum of \$5,000, to be executed by surety companies and the expense thereof to be borne by the national encampment; and that the salary of the custodian of records be fixed at \$300 for the ensuing year.

I move the adoption of that resolution.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. Are there any remarks upon it? Are you ready for the question? All who are in favor of the resolution as presented will say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is a vote.

Now, comrades, there is a little matter which may involve our attention for a moment only, I think. One of our comrades from the



South—Mississippi—a colored comrade, has had the misfortune to have all the money he had and his tickets stolen. He is down and out here upon the community. There is no other body representing the Grand Army at this time available except this. I asked him here this afternoon with the thought that possibly our hearts might be stirred to supply his needs, and if it is your will I would ask him to state his case to you. Have I your permission?

(Permission being granted, the comrade was requested by the commander in chief to come forward and state his situation, which he did, as follows:)

Comrade HENRY ANDERSON, of Edwards, Miss. Commander in chief and comrades, I am from the State of Mississippi, and a minister. Yesterday I was in the procession with the sum of \$31.15 in my pocket. I did not miss it until I got where I was going last night. I am without my board being paid, and it is too far for me to walk home.

Comrade WILLETT. Where are your tickets?

Comrade ANDERSON. They didn't give me any.

Comrade WILLETT. I mean your railroad tickets. Have you got them?

Comrade ANDERSON. I paid full fare. I paid full fare one way, and pay the other fare going back. Here is the fare, \$19.66. I come on a minister's coupon.

Comrade WILLETT. Somebody pass the hat.

(Whereupon a collection was taken up among the members of the council for Comrade Anderson.)

Comrade INMAN. I beg to offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief is hereby authorized to employ a secretary at national headquarters at such price as he may deem necessary, and not to exceed \$1,800.

This is exactly a copy of the resolution passed at the session last year.

Quartermaster Gen. STOWITS. I move the adoption.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, comrades. Any remarks? All in favor will say "aye." Opposed, "no." The motion is carried.

Comrade INMAN. The matter of the compensation of the reporter, \$200. That is the same as last year.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that \$200 be appropriated for the payment of the stenographer for the present year. All those in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is carried.

Comrade INMAN. I have the honor to present a resolution that we appropriate \$200 for the editing of the Journal. This is the same as last year. (The motion was duly seconded.)

Comrade ALTENBERG. Do I understand that is for the past year?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. Incoming. The editing of the Journal this year is all settled. You have got to make a resolution to-day for next year.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrades will probably have in mind that the terms "this year" and "last year" are susceptible of misunderstanding. This is for the editing of the transactions of the encampment that has just closed. Do you hear the motion? Are

you ready for the question? All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is carried.

Is there any other business to come before this meeting? If not there is a matter or matters which I would like to seriously consider with these representatives of the various departments. It is the very great desire of every department, I know, that if possible it should be favored with the presence of the commander in chief at the time of its session. It is equally the desire of the commander in chief that he should have the privilege and opportunity of meeting his comrades in their various department encampments. There are over forty such departments and encampments. They are all bunched—have been all bunched practically within the three months, their meetings within the three months of April, May, and June. Not only that but upon the same date they will be in different parts, very distant parts of the country, from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic coast, from the South to the North, the interior and the exterior, so that it is practically impossible for the commander in chief, with his utmost desire to make the necessary arrangements, to see his comrades in the various encampments.

Comrade NYE. I represent Texas. I know the difficulties. If you will write us a letter something like you make a speech, and mail it to us before our department meeting, we will excuse you from travel and expense.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We want to go to Texas and we want to go to Minnesota, and we want if possible to have it so arranged that we can go to both, so that we won't have to pass one by in order to reach the other. The point I want to make here—each one of you represents your department and in a very marked degree can influence the action of your department in fixing the date of your encampment. Now, if the commander in chief should early in the year block out an itinerary such as he could follow, and notify the assistant adjutants general of the various departments as to the time which it would be possible for him to be in his section of the country, it might develop that a larger number of departments could be visited by the commander in chief. If they could make arrangements, in a few days, more or less, it would be easily possible to visit New Mexico, Texas, Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and so on around.

That is the point I am wishing to bring before you, and in the carrying out and execution of it I would be glad to have the cordial cooperation of my comrades. I know it is impossible to carry it out fully, but I believe that a very much greater amount of cooperation can be secured if we start early and do what we can to carry it out.

Our commander in the past year has told us how much he has been handicapped by his having to zigzag and go back and forth, how much of his time and energy have been expended, and how much of the money of the order has been wasted in covering his tracks over and over again. Now, it is my earnest desire that that should be avoided this year, and that in an orderly and systematic manner we may make the best of what we have.

Now still further. There has always been very dear to my heart the interests of our disabled comrades who have to seek the shelter



of the various homes that are provided for such comrades in various parts of the country, and it has seemed to me that it would be a very lovely thing, a very proper thing and helpful in every way, if the commander in chief should find it possible to visit most or all of these homes as he passed through the country, and carry to these our disabled comrades the greetings of their comrades throughout the country and give them some indication that they were not forgotten by us. That I would like to do.

It, however, I know, will involve a little more expenditure of time upon the part of the commander in chief and will involve a little more expenditure of money than we have done in the past. I do not think, personally, however, that a few hundred dollars devoted to such a purpose as that would be lost, especially at this time. We have a certain amount of available funds in our permanent fund. If it was necessary—I don't know that it would be necessary—but if it was necessary to take a few hundred dollars from the permanent fund in order to secure such a visit as I am now speaking of to our disabled comrades throughout the homes in the country, I am inclined to think it would be money well spent, and money spent for purposes for which this permanent fund was intended. That is my thought. I would like to present the whole subject to you and would like to have an expression of opinion upon these matters by this committee at this time.

Comrade WILLETT. I move you, sir, that it is the concensus of opinion of this council of administration that the commander in chief make out his itinerary, first of the several State encampments that he wishes to visit, parceling them out in zones or in the course of travel as is ordinary and most expeditious, and in that connection add to it the homes, to figure out what the additional expense may be, and leave it up to the commander in chief to conduct this matter in harmony with the better course of procedure to make the most out of his itinerary.

Now as an illustration, when you come to Iowa, to Iowa City, the old capital, at our State encampment, the expense of your visiting the Soldiers' Home of that State would not exceed \$25 in addition.

My thought is, if you take in a circuit of States that you can go to at a time of year when the climatic conditions are all about alike that it would work out best, and I think that it is proper to leave the itinerary to the commander in chief, and then in circular form communicate with the different assistant adjutants general and let them act accordingly.

I would even go further than that. If they can not accommodate themselves to the situation, skip them and go somewhere else. That is my position in regard to it because I think it was a great hardship for us to yank, if I may use the language of the street, the preceding commander in chief from Allentown, Pa., to Waterloo, Iowa, in 24 hours to meet with us, and then a delay in a train of only a few hours makes him miss the engagement.

Surg. Gen. WOOD. May I tell you what has been in my mind? I think that the commander in chief should arrange his own itinerary, and in order to do that he must know, if he wishes to visit the encampments of the various States, the dates that have been already set of the encampments for next year. I live in a central State in the Northwest. Comparatively few members of the Grand Army

live in Idaho. Utah, Montana, Washington, and Oregon all border on our State. If I am authorized by the commander in chief to do so, I will get in communication with these departments and find out when their encampments are to be held and the location of their homes, and then he may select—if he can make an itinerary through that part of the country—he may select his route so as to take those in. Or he may remember that Comrade Burton lives in Portland, Oreg., and his heart is full of this work, as is my own, and then if you decide that you want Comrade Burton to visit this encampment, or wish me to visit, as your representative, this or that encampment, I am at your service. We will be disappointed, however, if we can not have you there. We want you.

Comrade WETHERBEE. In New England we have always tried to get our encampments as close together as possible. In Massachusetts we already have our dates set for the 11th and 12th of April. Our contracts are all made for that time. I would state that a visit to our soldiers' home in Massachusetts at that time will not cost a cent. That is part of our program with the commander in chief when we get him, to take him there. We occupy the time of the commander in chief for two days, and we don't give him much chance to sleep during the two days. New Hampshire always follows us, and as a rule Rhode Island comes the day before.

Comrade BEACH. And Connecticut right afterwards.

Comrade WETHERBEE. So it will be easy work there, and you are so near home you can probably make your itinerary very easily. You will receive notice very soon to reserve the 11th and 12th of April for Massachusetts.

Comrade MEDBERY. I was just waiting for Massachusetts. The little State of Rhode Island is too small to go alone, so we have bowed to our fate and wait on Massachusetts and either go the day before or the day after they have theirs.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You had the day after this last year.

Comrade MEDBERY. Last year the commander in chief came to Massachusetts and Rhode Island and went back to Maryland, and from Maryland back to Connecticut. Of course we don't want to do that, as I understand you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. No; we don't want to do that.

Comrade MEDBERY. I do not see why all of the New England States can not be arranged. In regard to the soldiers' homes, I think it won't cost you a cent to go there. but if it should you can go there by public conveyance and back again for 75 cents, and I am sure you will get a good dinner while you are there.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is in Rhode Island.

Comrade HURD. The Department of Washington and Alaska is very much gratified to receive the commander in chief and entertain him at any time that he can come, but in order that they may comply with the conditions that they may meet in that locality I think the suggestion made by the comrade here is a good one, that there be an itinerary mapped out, and before a department names a date for holding their encampment it should hear from the commander in chief what is his wish. I assure you that the wish of the commander in chief as to the date of holding the encampment will always be considered and treated as a command in our department.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I appreciate highly the great cordiality with which the suggestion of the commander in chief has been received, and you may rest assured that in carrying out the scheme for the coming year we will endeavor to conform both to the wishes and to the interests of all parts of the country as far as is possible to do so. I want to say also that I shall feel free to call upon the senior vice commander and the junior vice commander to help carry out any program which shall be adopted. The present commander in chief does not intend that the junior and senior vice commanders shall have a walk away without anything to do this year.

Comrades, is there any one who has anything to bring before us?

Comrade WILLETT. We have been informed that you have in your inside pocket a statement that we would like to have as regards your office and the location of national headquarters, etc., and we jog your memory. We are anxious to hear from you.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am just in receipt of a telegram which, unfortunately, I have left in my room below, from U. S. Grant Post 327 of New York, offering for the use of the national headquarters during the coming year its commodious building in Brooklyn. I feel sure that it will be greatly to the advantage of the Grand Army to be quartered there and have assured them we would accept, and I now announce 489 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn as the headquarters for the coming year.

Comrade WILLETT. Perhaps the comrades here don't understand that that is a donation. I understand it is a donation. That is what we are getting at, that we don't have to spend any money for it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. As far as the commander in chief knows, it is a free-will offering.

Comrade LUCE. It is quite a jump to Battle Mountain Sanitarium. I understand that it is the intention of this large Government to remove all the soldiers from the Battle Mountain Sanitarium away down South, I have forgotten the place, and devote that sanitarium to the tuberculosis subjects, service men I suppose in this last war, and all that. The soldiers that have been there several years don't want to be moved away down in a hot climate. I wonder whether you could not have some influence perhaps in keeping there the soldiers that are there, instead of having them all moved away down South and other comrades sent there to the Battle Mountain Sanitarium. Of course Hot Springs, S. Dak., is a very healthy climate. That is their excuse for doing that. But the soldiers that are there and have been there several years in the Battle Mountain Sanitarium don't want to be sent into a hot southern climate.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This is our representative from South Dakota. He brings to us the statement that it is the intention of the authorities to abandon the Battle Mountain Sanitarium as a Soldiers' Home for Civil War Veterans and transfer them to a southern home and utilize the plant at Battle Mountain for tubercular patients and for others who have been disabled in the recent World War. He wants to know whether we as a body can take any action upon the matter. He presents the feelings of the comrades there who dislike the change. Have you anything to suggest?

Q. M. G. STOWERS. How many are there?

Comrade LUCE. Four hundred.



Comrade NYE. I move that the matter be left to the executive committee of the council of administration.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is what we call "passing the buck" in other places.

Comrade NYE. We can not act intelligently and you, with your legislative committee, some of them living at Washington, can get right at the bottom of it. We can not do it as a body.

Comrade KINLEY. I don't know whether I have got a right to say what I am going to say about the National Soldiers' Home of East Tennessee. When that was broken up by order of the board of managers and turned into a sanitarium for the World War men we were scattered all over the country. Men from Tennessee and Kentucky were sent clear out of their region. But I object to those people making a difference in the treatment between the Civil War men and the Spanish War men and the World War men. It is costing per day \$1.10 at Johnson City, Tenn., to feed the World War men where it has cost from 28 to 29 cents to feed the Civil War men. That is what I am talking about. Right there at Johnson City they had some rotten old mackerel in storage for seven or eight or nine years. When the World War men came our fellows were shipped over to Hampton. The World War men refused to eat that rotten mackerel, and it was ordered by the board of managers sent to Hampton for the Civil War men. It went over there, and the report came back to Johnson City that when it was received they took it down to the steam plant and cremated it and did not use it. Here is a man that belongs at Hampton, and he can corroborate what I tell you. I don't object to giving those men everything that they are entitled to, but I do object to giving them more than they are entitled to and cutting the Civil War men out.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You see, comrades, how necessary it is that certain inspections should be made by a recognized official. If there are any abuses they will be noticed. If there has anything of the kind transpired in the past it will be brought to his attention and he may inquire into it, that he may make suitable report upon it.

Surg. Gen. WOOD. Is the commander in chief aware that the soldiers' homes are under the State administration, and that they are trying to get these men out of their good soldiers' homes for the public welfare service—the Government public welfare service? That is what they are doing, where they have a lot of their own officials with shoulder straps on them. That is what they are trying to do.

Comrade LUCE. The Battle Mountain Sanitarium is a national institution. They also have a soldiers' home at Hot Springs.

Comrade ALTENBERG. I am not surprised to hear the argument presented by the comrade here in regard to the conditions in Tennessee, but it strikes me very favorably that his argument better have been made to one of the Senators or Congressmen. I doubt very much whether this organization, the council of administration, has any jurisdiction over what goes on at the soldiers' home. The Secretary of the Navy or the Secretary of War, a member of the Cabinet, I understand will visit this western country in a few days. Any argument made and the complaints by the comrade back of me here might be presented to him and brought before a committee in Congress, and Congress would investigate, but I doubt whether the



commander of this order can appoint a committee to go down there and investigate whether they are eating old mackerel.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I have permitted this thing to go on. If there is any special motion I would be glad to entertain it. If not, we must bring it to a close and pass on to our further work. Is there any motion which any comrade now, after this rather free discussion, wishes to make?

Q. M. Gen. STOWITS. I move we adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief.

Comrade ALTENBERG. Just one thought before you adjourn. I am authorized by the commander of the Department of Arkansas to say to the commander in chief, if you make a missionary journey south through the State of Texas please call at Little Rock and we will entertain you there, and we will take you down to the Confederate Soldiers' Home there.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I thank the Department of Arkansas. It will certainly be accepted if possible.

Before we adjourn it will be proper to announce the names of the executive committee as selected by the commander in chief. Comrade George A. Price, of New York; Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania; Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois; Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa; Comrade Americus Whedon, of Kentucky; Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut; and Comrade John C. Roland, of Ohio, will constitute the executive committee for the coming year. They are requested to meet at once upon the adjournment of this body.

(The motion to adjourn subject to the call of the commander in chief having been seconded, was then put to the council and carried, and at 3.45 o'clock p. m. the meeting of the national council of administration was so adjourned.)

(Immediately thereafter the members of the executive committee of the national council of administration assembled pursuant to the call of the commander in chief, and there being no business to come before it the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the commander in chief.)

# UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS CAMP FIRE AND PARADE

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**RECEPTION AND SEMIOFFICIAL MEETING OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, HELD IN TOMLINSON HALL, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MONDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 26, 1921.**

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J. E. MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF THE INDIANAPOLIS CITIZENS' ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE, PRESIDING.

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The Newsboys Band of Indianapolis played a number of selections while the audience was assembling, and at 8 o'clock p. m. the meeting was called to order by the chairman.

Chairman MILLER. It is a little past the time for the meeting to start, owing to a little delay in some arrivals, so we will pass the first number, the overture by the band, because they have been very generous in their music. I want to say at this time I am very proud of the opportunity to act as chairman of this meeting at this time. I shall always look back upon this evening with a great deal of pleasure, and as a member of the city council we will extend to you the greetings from our body and assure you that we are glad to again welcome you back to Indianapolis.

I am sure we have a number of speakers here that will discuss all the issues and all the points you people will care to hear during the evening, so I will make my statement very short by saying that as a member of the city council we are very glad to welcome the G. A. R. back to Indianapolis again this year.

We will call on the Rev. Mr. Bosworth, chaplain in chief, for the invocation.

Chaplain in Chief WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, of Kansas. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we render Thee our heartfelt thanks, while so many of our comrades have passed into the beyond since we met here a year ago, that there are so many of us still spared. We thank Thee for the health and strength and vigor and purpose with which we gather here at this encampment. Our Father, we thank Thee for the hearty welcome that we are receiving from the citizens of Indianapolis, and for all these affiliated and auxiliary societies that are gathered here. We thank Thee, our Father, for Thy favor and Thy blessing that has rested upon them all. Now we entreat Thee for Thy blessing upon this our opening campfire, and we pray that Thou wilt bless every one who speaks or participates in any way in the services of this hour, and on all this company gathered here to-night. May this opening meeting be a foretaste of the good things that are coming at this encampment. We ask for Jesus' sake. Amen.



The "Star Spangled Banner" was then played by the band with the audience standing.

The CHAIRMAN. The next speaker will be a man of whom the State of Indiana is very proud. I now have the pleasure of introducing the governor, Warren T. McCray.

HON. WARREN T. MCCRAY, governor of Indiana. Mr. Chairman, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, ladies and gentlemen, Indiana, through its chosen executive, extends to you a most cordial and heartfelt welcome. We realize and appreciate the value of the splendid service you rendered this great country by the unselfish and patriotic sacrifice you made in the days of your early youth when the call came and the cause of human justice and the equality of rights were hanging in the balance.

We wish to show you, the survivors of that great conflict, that we acknowledge the debt of gratitude we owe to you for the part you took in preserving the Union by defending those principles of our Constitution which recognize but one flag and one country comprising a collection of States one and inseparable. [Applause.] The entire Nation, now undivided in its allegiance to those principles, recognize the wisdom of the leadership which stood squarely behind their intent and purpose and forced the issue to a successful conclusion.

There is now but little division on the great question for which so many brave and gallant men made the supreme sacrifice, and practically all unite in rejoicing that the victory was yours and consider that the results which have followed were well worth the price paid, even at such a tremendous cost of life and property.

The record of the loyalty and bravery and the devotion of the boys of 1861-1865, who fought and died that those fundamental principles which gave this Nation its birth might live, furnish the most interesting and absorbing pages in all the annals of history. The conflict was supreme because you fought men of your own blood, who like yourselves were descendants of those sturdy, determined, heroic, adventurous men and women who came to this new country to establish their independence and to throw off the galling yoke of monarchical oppression. That you won the struggle speaks most eloquently for the character of your leadership and for the valor and soldierly qualities of those who comprised the great army of which you were a part.

You have won the immortal gratitude of a united and liberty-loving people and are entitled to all the honors and plaudits that you have received or that can be bestowed upon you.

Indiana is justly proud of her record during that vital crisis of our national life. We sent forth more men by voluntary enlistment in proportion to our population than any other State in the American Union. Through the patriotism and resourcefulness of our matchless war governor, Oliver P. Morton, the aims of the inspired and sainted leader who sat in the executive chair were upheld and every action he proposed was supported to the very limit. The wonderful spirit that you so nobly manifested at that time has been transmitted through the succeeding generations and is responsible in a large measure for the indomitable will and patriotic fervor which spurred the heroes of the great World War to "carry on" to glorious victory.

Indiana is honored to again welcome you as her guests, and as its representative I wish to repeat that we express to you our very best wishes and fondest hopes that you will have a most pleasant and enjoyable anniversary.

I also hope that your lives may be spared and that you may be privileged to assemble around many more campfires before taps is sounded and the pages of your life book have been closed.

In the fullness of time when the seals of eternity have been broken, may we not hope that you will again be permitted to gather in a glorious reunion in which all of the beloved comrades who fought for the cause of human liberty may pass in grand review before the Supreme Ruler of the universe, who has guided the destinies of this great nation in all its trials and through all of its dangers and difficulties.

I also hope that you, my friends, may return at some time to Indiana, and remember that whenever you return the latch string is out and we will welcome you as we have on five other occasions. [Applause.]

And so, my friends, I wish and hope and pray that the record of this country that you have helped to make may stand for patriotism, may stand for Americanism throughout all time, and may the choicest blessings of a just and righteous God be with you now and throughout eternity. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. Next will be the address of welcome by Gil R. Stormont, past department commander, Grand Army of the Republic.

GIL R. STORMONT, past commander, Department of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic.

There are bonds of all sorts in this world of ours,  
Ties of friendship and fetters of flowers,  
And true lovers' knots, I we'en.  
The boy and the girl are bound by a kiss,  
But there was never a bond, old friend, like this—  
We drank from the same canteen.

[Applause.]

The bond of fraternity and comradeship of this experience of a soldier's life as described by the Irish poet is that which has given life and permanency to the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is a bond of fraternity and comradeship whose ties were welded in the fire of battle. The sentiment expressed of sharing the contents of a canteen reminds all of the readiness of comrades to share and divide their sustenance with other comrades, and especially that readiness to respond to the call of the thirsty comrade lying wounded upon the field of battle. It is this sentiment that gave inspiration to the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic.

It is this organization that is to hold its Fifty-fifth Annual National Encampment in this city and is to be the guest of Indianapolis during this week. Illinois claims the credit for being the birthplace of the Grand Army of the Republic, and it is true that it had its beginning in Illinois in a local organization and was being nursed there in its swaddling clothes age, but it was in Indianapolis that the Grand Army was given the dignity of a national organization in its first national encampment held here in 1866. The encampment was



held here again in 1881, and again in 1893. Indianapolis entertained the encampment again last year, and after failure of effort to make satisfactory arrangements with other cities, Indianapolis has again come to the rescue and it is going to give you a most cordial reception at this encampment.

There has been assigned to me this duty—a pleasant privilege it is—to extend to you the fraternal greetings of the Department of Indiana. A friend of mine who saw my name on the program for this duty suggested to me that before I got a chance to tell you and to assure you of your welcome you would hear about it from somebody else, and I am sure you have. The governor of the State has given you that assurance, and you may rely upon it that the governor gives it from the heart and it is a welcome that will be extended to you all.

But allow me to say that the National Encampment of the Grand Army finds a most fitting place for its annual assembly in Indianapolis. It was here that the first encampment was held and the Grand Army was established as a national organization. It was here that a large part of Indiana's contribution to the Army of the Union had their first experience in camp and bivouac and were taught the rudimentary lessons of a soldier's life. It was here that many thousands of Indiana soldiers cast aside the cares and pursuits of civil life to take upon them the vow to give their life, if need be, in defense of the flag of their fathers.

Indianapolis, as has been said, has entertained the encampment before this four times, and it is excelled by no other city as a place of patriotic memories and historic surroundings of interest to the soldiers of the Civil War. The meeting place of this encampment is within the shadow of that towering monument that is the world's greatest and crowning effort of sculpture and art, a monument that speaks of the valor and heroism of the grandest army of volunteer soldiers this country or the world has ever known. [Applause.] The place of assembly for this encampment is in the very presence of that bronze statue of Oliver P. Morton, Indiana's illustrious war governor, whose name is revered by every soldier and by every patriot [applause], a man whose loyalty and patriotic devotion to his country and to those enlisted in their country's cause gave inspiration and courage not only to the soldiers of Indiana but to the soldiers from every State wherever his influence was felt.

And so now, comrades, without delaying longer and without any further speech, which would not be necessary after what you have heard, allow me on behalf of the Department of Indiana to extend you a hearty greeting and a glad hand. We are glad to meet you and we will be glad to have you enjoy yourselves, and we will help to make that enjoyment, and we will be glad to have you come again if you can not find any other place to go. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. Next is our mayor of Indianapolis, Charles W. Jewett.

Hon. CHARLES W. JEWETT, mayor of Indianapolis. Mr. Chairman, Gen. Ketcham, and members of the Grand Army of the Republic, ladies and gentlemen, it is a distinct pleasure and an honor that I have as the mayor of this city to welcome for the second time in my administration the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.] I do not believe that any man who has ever occupied the official position that I now occupy has had such an honor, and I hope that you will

come again soon. [Applause.] This is indeed a great occasion, the second one, as I say, that it has been my good fortune to participate in.

I am not a very old man. I thought this afternoon when they dedicated the marker at Maryland and Meridian Streets where the first Grand Army encampment was held 55 years ago that that was just 20 years before I was born. [Laughter.] I am not very old, but I never have experienced in my lifetime any sight, any occasion that gave me the great patriotic inspiration that I witnessed a year ago when the Grand Army of the Republic marched through our streets. [Applause.] It was a sight that any city in the United States could not miss having if they ever had the opportunity to have. It was the greatest lesson in patriotism for the hundreds—yea, the thousands of boys and girls from our public schools who stood on the side-lines and watched that great demonstration of patriotism by the men who saved this Union that they can ever have. That memory will stay in their minds forever. [Applause.]

In your young manhood this country went through a terrible crisis. The big issue then was whether this Nation could survive; whether it was to be half free and half slave; whether this continent should have two republics. It was you men and the men of the Grand Army of the Republic under the leadership of that God-inspired leader, Abraham Lincoln [great applause], who preserved our Government and preserved this Republic and this country of ours and made possible her being brought down to the present hour the greatest Nation of all the world. [Applause.]

Had it not been for the soldiers of the War of the Rebellion who stood by the Union cause, who protected that flag, and who kept together all parts of the Union and preserved our Government we would never have come down to this nineteenth century with all of our wealth of resources, our wealth of manhood, our wealth of industry, our great potential forces of national life that made possible our being the balance of power in saving the civilization and the democratic liberties of the entire world during the Great War. [Applause.]

As long as this Republic endures the memory of you men and what you did in the sixties will never be forgotten. [Applause.] Years will come and go. We trust and pray we shall never have another great war, but no one can certainly say that that will happen. It may be that this Government in the progress of civilization and in the advancement of the liberties and the principles of justice throughout the entire world will be called upon to give of its wealth and its manhood in some other bitter struggle, that after it all has passed the world may be better. We know not what our fate may be.

But wars may come and wars may go, and we may have conflicts and have them settled even by the cannon and the sword, but, my friends, there will never be a war that will overshadow the noble work that the boys in blue in the sixties rendered not only for this Government but for the civilized world. [Applause.] It is indeed an inspiration to this generation to have the privilege and the honor of addressing you older men who have seen the real service, the real patriotic devotion, that you alone could experience by the times you lived in and the great issues that were fought out during your lifetime.



The Great War that has just ended brought about the same great and unusual condition in the world. We know that our country was called upon then to give of its man power and we sent across the ocean an Army that was unsurpassed by any nation in all the world—great, stalwart, brave boys, many of them your grandchildren, an Army that was never equaled in any foreign land. They were the offspring of you men and of the forefathers of this Nation of ours. [Applause.] You were proud of them. Every one was proud of them. Why? Because they represented in this modern day and age the thing you were willing to give your lives for more than half a century ago.

They represent America to-day, the America that you men knew in its swaddling clothes, you may say, that you men preserved and saved to bring down to this present hour, great, grand and glorious in its man power and in its wealth as it is to-day.

My friends, there never was a time in your life, in mine, or any man that is living to-day, that was as interesting to live in as the present time. There never was a period in our history so pregnant with the real issues of humanity and of civilization as the present generation and the present time; and if there was ever a time when every boy and girl, every man and woman who lives under the starry folds of Old Glory ought to be proud that he is an American citizen it is at the present hour. [Applause.] And to the Grand Army of the Republic we give the great measure of credit for the devotion to country, for the wisdom and the foresight and the perseverance and the patience and the common sense they exercised in the leadership of the great policies of this country after the war. We give you the full measure of credit for bringing down to the present hour this splendid Nation of ours.

So, as the chief officer of this city, I welcome you in the spirit of American patriotism, because there is no more patriotic organization—there never has been and there never can be—than the Grand Army of the American Republic. [Applause.] We think you like to come here [laughter and applause] because 55 years ago you began coming and you have come every time that the rest of the country would let you come from then until now, and you have had a constant invitation always to come. [Applause.]

I think you are liking us a little better every year, because this is twice in a row and we are proud of it. We would like to make it three times. Now, I don't know, since the eighteenth amendment went into effect, whether there is any use to deliver over formally the keys to this city to you or not. [Laughter.] There is not anything that I know of—perhaps Gen. Ketcham may know more than I do—there is not anything that I know of that is locked up. I think the whole town is wide open to you. It is your city while you are here to enjoy. We want you to call for what you want, go where you want to, and take possession of this city. It is yours while you are here. [Applause.] And every citizen in it will assist you in finding what you want and having a good time. They will carry away from here some of the inspiration of your comradeship, and we hope you will take away some of the blessings of Hoosier hospitality.

I greet you, Mr. Commander. I thank you for your presence here and I express to you the appreciation of 325 citizens of this city who extend to you hearty greetings and welcome. [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. Next is a response by Gen. Ketcham.

Commander in Chief WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, of Indiana. As a supplement to the closing clause of that splendid address that the mayor of this city has made, I would add not only the good wishes of 325 in this city but the good wishes of 324,675. [Applause.]

Comrades, it is somewhat embarrassing to me—I was born within half a mile of where you now sit enjoying all that represents civilized life. I have never lived more than 5 miles away from where I now stand. And I am here to respond to the greetings of the governor of Indiana, of Gil Stormont of the Fifty-eighth Indiana for the Department of Indiana, and of the mayor of this city of Indianapolis. But I am to respond not as the citizen of Indianapolis, not representing my own home of which I am so proud, but I am to respond to these greetings from Indiana for the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

I speak for the hundred thousand survivors of the Grand Army of the Republic. When I speak for the survivors of the Grand Army of the Republic I speak for the 500,000 that have been members of the Grand Army of the Republic; and when I speak for them I speak for the two million and a half of men that 60 years ago saved this land and made it free.

When I respond, Governor, it is not me, it is not simply the Grand Army of the Republic, it is not simply the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, but it is two million and a half men and boys that went out 60 years ago to save the Nation and make it free. They saved the Nation not only for themselves, they saved it for the foes that sought to destroy it. [Applause.] They saved it for posterity. They saved it for the world. [Applause.] For if those boys of 1861–1865 had failed in their effort and we had had a southern confederacy, and a Pacific coast confederacy, and a Mississippi Valley confederacy, and an Atlantic coast confederacy—and the Lord knows how many confederacies would have come if one had succeeded; if there had been a lot of discordant nations and republics here, when France and England and Belgium and Italy were driven to the wall, what hope could there have come to them across the water from this land? It was the millions and millions that went across, and the other millions that were coming, that were the sons of you, and your grandsons, that made a great and powerful nation, that made the hope of the world in 1917 and 1918 and saved the world. [Applause.]

And so, governor, and mayor, and commander, on behalf of the Grand Army of the Republic, on behalf of the living and the dead, on behalf of that great army that came from 1861 to 1865 by the millions to the rescue of their country, I thank you for your cordial greetings. I am proud to think that the Grand Army of the Republic—not speaking about Indianapolis now—I am proud to think that the Grand Army had made itself so welcome here in 1920 that the city of Indianapolis was willing to open its doors to us again when they slammed the doors in our faces the wide country over. [Applause.]



I am proud, not of Indiana alone. I am proud of Maine for her invitation to us to come. I am proud of Massachusetts for her invitation to come. I am proud of the whole land, but I am prouder of the city that said, "If Massachusetts can not take you, if Maine can not take you, if Nebraska won't have you, if Colorado can't come in, if Ohio doesn't want the Grand Army of the Republic, come to us and we will receive you with open arms," as we know you are now receiving us.

And so, Mr. Mayor, not as a citizen of Indianapolis but speaking as a citizen of the United States and a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, I want to say that the Grand Army of the Republic is proud of the city of Indianapolis and its hospitality to us. [Applause.]

(Music by the band.)

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE, of Minnesota. Commander in Chief, I have been delegated to perform a very pleasant duty at this time. This is evidently an Indiana and an Indianapolis night. The Grand Army of the Republic in a large sense was born in the city of Indianapolis, and this is the fifth time we have responded to the patriotic and generous invitation of its citizens to meet in this city.

At the last encampment a committee was appointed to prepare and bestow upon our commander in chief a suitable testimonial, and I am here in behalf of the committee to perform that pleasant duty, and for the information of all the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, East and West, North and South, I want to draw a little sketch, a picture of the life of our commander in chief.

Seventy-five years ago he was born in this city, and according to the faith of his fathers was baptized into membership of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America. He was then too young to understand the significance of the sacrament, otherwise he might have, on general principles, objected. [Applause.]

He was christened William Alexander, and from that time to this has been, consciously or unconsciously, a firm believer in a righteous Christ, an infinity eternal, and an unchangeable God. At the age of 13 years his parents sent him to Germany to obtain a preparatory education in the schools of that country, on the assumption that they had more pep in them than the little red schoolhouse of his native heath.

At the outbreak of the rebellion he returned to America and his education was continued at Wabash College, Indiana, where he remained, doubtless much against his will, until February 24, 1864, when, at the age of 18 years, he enlisted in the military service of his country as a private soldier in Company A, Thirteenth Indiana Volunteer Infantry.

By reason of his youth he was late in entering the Army. Some of us having then two or more years' service to our credit when William Alexander Ketcham joined us, although most of us still wore the uniform of a private soldier or possibly that of a non-commissioned officer, we naturally regarded him as a very raw recruit. However, before Christmas of the same year in which he enlisted he wore the shoulder straps of a second lieutenant in a fighting regiment, and shortly after his nineteenth birthday was promoted to the captaincy of his company. [Applause.]

As a soldier and an officer he was conspicuous for his courage, his fighting qualities, and general good behavior in the face of the enemy.

Believing in preparedness and individual responsibility, he resumed his studies at the close of the war and graduated from Dartmouth College in 1867. He was admitted to the Indianapolis bar in 1868. For 53 years he has practiced law in his native city and is now and for many, many years has been an able and distinguished lawyer and a recognized leader among his professional brethren throughout the country. He has held the office of county attorney of this county and served two terms as attorney general of his native State.

In the Grand Army of the Republic he has been a pillar of strength. His characteristics are courage, sincerity, and honesty. Shams and pretenses are his detestation. His heart is tender and sympathetic, although at times he makes fruitless efforts to conceal it.

The outgoing commander in chief always feels the dearest to us, and his administration the best. The present one is no exception to the rule. Comrade Ketcham has had a strenuous year, but no one was better able than he to face and overcome the difficulties that lay in his path. The fact that this encampment is held for the second time in succession in Indianapolis is proof conclusive of the honor and esteem in which he is held by his fellow citizens.

As an expression of the fraternal regard of his comrades the last encampment directed that a testimonial be presented to him; and by virtue of the authority conferred upon the committee charged with that pleasant duty I now, as its chairman, present to the commander in chief a silver service, which, if it does not wholly meet with his approval, will be fully appreciated by his excellent wife, with whom he has walked in happiness for almost 50 years, and by his lovely daughter.

Comrade Ketcham, as you have been an attentive listener to what I have said in the presence of your friends and the citizens of your State, it is unnecessary for me to add anything further except to say that it increases my personal happiness to have a part in presenting to you a useful and beautiful testimonial with the hearty good wishes of all your comrades. Now, on account of the dangers of articles of value being exposed in a miscellaneous community or company, I present to you a receipted bill from Charles Mayer & Co., of this city, for one sterling tea set and one tray, specially engraved, and this gift is subject to your disposal and order.

Commander in Chief WILLIAM A. KETCHAM. A year ago, when the high office of commander in chief of what now from the bottom of my heart I believe to be the grandest organization on the face of the earth was conferred upon me, my heart sang with gratitude. It has been a delight to me to go East and West and North and South to mingle with my comrades, receive from them their suggestions, give to them their suggestions, and do what I could to honor the Grand Army of the Republic and the Stars and Stripes that these boys carried for four years on many a bloody field. [Applause.]

And now at its close it is with gratitude that I have not words to express that I receive from my comrades this gift, indicative of their respect for, confidence in, and love of myself. I am over-



whelmed by the gift. I have not seen it, but whether it be silver or whether it be gold, in my heart it is gold that I can never fully appreciate. To yourself, commander, and to your comrades, for myself and my family I desire to return the thanks of a grateful heart for this recognition of my unworthy deserts at the close of my year of service. I thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. King also has a little surprise for you, General. He would like to present it at this time.

Mr. HERBERT S. KING, of Whitehead & Hoag Co., of Indianapolis. It is my wish at this time to present to your national commander a work of art. In the making of a beautiful badge, such as the veterans wear at these national encampments, it is necessary to prepare for the making of the medallion by securing some noted sculptor who will make the original clay model. After making the original clay, a plaster cast is made from it. From the plaster cast a metal cast is made, and from this metal cast a small medallion, or the die for the medallion is cut. The cutting of this medallion is done by a machine costing some \$25,000, and in this case the work of a machine is better than the work of a hand, because it is an absolutely accurate reproduction of the ideas of the original sculptor, who reproduced the face or the head from photographs or from real life. We consider, therefore, that these original casts are fine and valuable, having been made by very fine artists, and it is my great pleasure at this time to present to your commander the original cast made from the original clay by the famous artist, Kilenyi. It is a particular pleasure to present to my friend, Commander Ketcham, this beautiful clay model.

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. In the office of one of the leading lawyers of this city I have been shocked every time I entered to see a splendid photograph of a lawyer put over his desk in such a position that at no time could he raise his eyes without looking into his own picture. I have sometimes thought that, as Oliver Wendell Holmes would say, that was almost the height of the ridiculous. But if there should be anything higher in the line of the ridiculous it would be for me to make a speech about a picture of myself. I have a great deal of fondness for myself, but I never had any pride in a picture of myself, and I have been trying all my days to keep out of the newspapers, but without very good success. You can not expect me to make any kind of a speech about this picture of myself that lies under my hat. I can not do it. I am obliged, Mr. King, for my picture my posterity may enjoy.

Do you know where this beautiful present is located? Is it the Mayer store? Is the silver service that you have presented to me at the Mayer store?

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. Yes, sir.

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. All I have got to add in addition, before going on with the program, is that if there is any comrade that has any desire to look at that testimonial that has been so beautifully presented to me to-night, if they will walk half a square west of Meridian on Washington, and tell Charlie Mayer that you want to look at it, you are welcome to do so. I can not invite you all to take tea off of this service.

The CHAIRMAN. You will listen to Gen. Butler at this time.

Adj't. Gen. MAHLON D. BUTLER. Mr. Chairman, it seems appropriate at this time that a word of greeting be received from the American Legion, and I will read a letter or short note from John G. Emery, national commander (reading):

Col. MARSHALL W. WOOD,  
*Severin Hotel, City.*

MOST ESTEEMED COMRADE: It is particularly fitting that you, of all the legionnaires who served their country in the World War, should convey the greetings of the American Legion to our beloved comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. As a veteran of four wars and the only legionnaire wounded in the Civil War, it is in all frankness that I salute you as a patriot unmatched in service to your country. You will honor the legion and confer a great favor upon me if you will in person convey to Commander Ketcham the message of greeting from the American Legion.

Yours, sincerely,

JOHN G. EMERY.

Now the comrade who will address you in a few short remarks is a veteran of the Civil War, born June 3, 1846. He carried a musket and was twice wounded in battle. After that he served in the Spanish-American War as a surgeon, and before that in the Indian wars. He has medals from the Government and notices that are complimentary with reference to his experience and service, and I now take pleasure in introducing Comrade Marshall W. Wood, the Inspector General of the Grand Army of the Republic, of Boise, Idaho.

Insp. Gen. MARSHALL W. WOOD, of Idaho. Mr. Chairman, honored commander in chief, ladies of the allied orders and auxiliary, distinguished comrades, ladies and gentlemen, I esteem it a great privilege as well as an honor to come to you this evening from my comrades of the American Legion to my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic to extend their greeting. These are our boys, our sons, our grandsons, whose message I bring to you, to ourselves, their fathers and grandfathers. They, as we did, bared their breasts to the storms of battle, that the existence, the honor, and the institutions of our country might be preserved. All honor to the boys. May they last longer than we have lasted now, as they undoubtedly will because there are a million and a quarter of them.

This is the individual message which the national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic asks me to present to you from the American Legion:

Fifty years ago Lincoln, your great leader, confessed himself humble as he stood at Gettysburg—your field of trial and triumph. To-day we of the American Legion, your younger brothers in arms, are reverent as we recall your deeds, and salute you, the men who did them. Humanity loves to weave legends about its heroes. We built traditions around the Crusaders, the Old Guard, the Continental Army. Already your valor belongs in the treasure vaults of history. Even now fancy touches with caressing hand the memory of 1861. But you are still with us. We read with thrilling hearts of Vicksburg and the Wilderness. We marvel at the sort of men they were who set their teeth and fought through four years to victory; and then we meet you and find you are Americans, even as we are. You are the connecting link between a glorious past and what God grant will be a glorious future. You have pointed the way of unselfish service, and we will follow. You are our compatriots. That and the fact we, too, have faced death for principle gives us the right to call you "Comrade." The salute that only the man who wears his country's uniform can give and only the man who wears that uniform can receive, we proudly give you now.

JOHN G. EMERY.



(Mrs. Charles N. Symons, of Danville, Ind., then sang "The Story of the Old Red, White, and Blue," which was heartily applauded by the audience, after which the commander in chief took charge of the meeting as chairman.)

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. Next on the program will be greetings to the Grand Army from our splendid auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, by Mrs. Inez J. Bender.

Mrs. INEZ J. BENDER, national president Woman's Relief Corps, Decatur, Ill. Commander of the greatest body of men the world has ever known, it is my pleasure to-night to bring to you, to your comrades, to the city of Indianapolis, greetings from the birthplace of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Fifty-five years ago, in the city of which I am a citizen, was born the Grand Army of the Republic. Last year in this beautiful, hospitable city of Indianapolis I was elected to the highest honor in the Woman's Relief Corps. At that time the Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic placed upon the shoulders of a citizen of Indianapolis the duties and the responsibilities of commander in chief. Through his efforts alone the city of Indianapolis extended to the Grand Army of the Republic, to the Woman's Relief Corps and the other women's organizations a cordial welcome to come back. What more fitting time could there be to remember in some especial manner this combination of citizenship and election?

And so with pleasure of our organization, we marked in this beautiful city with an enduring bronze tablet the place where the first national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was ever held, and perhaps we have celebrated in this manner the last encampment that will be held in Indianapolis.

It is my great pleasure to extend to Commander Ketcham the congratulations of nearly 220,000 members of the Woman's Relief Corps. [Applause.] When the Grand Army of the Republic was organized, like all vigorous young men, they thought they could do anything in all the world. But like all men, sooner or later, they acknowledged that they could not get along without the women. [Applause.] And so they said to their wives, their sisters, their daughters, and their sweethearts, "Come and help us. We need your presence. We need your intuition, the faculty for reaching the hearts of our comrades and their dependent ones."

Now, we were tickled to death to do this very thing, and we have been delighted all these 39 years to do this thing. We have increased in membership in order that we may keep our pledge to the Grand Army of the Republic, that we may teach the rising generation the efforts of this splendid organization, that we might set before them the example which they have set—that in a united country is the only hope of our Nation.

Now, Commander Ketcham, in these days of impending disaster, unless great care is taken, in these days which really and indeed try men's souls, we are doing our bit in all lines of patriotic endeavor to keep our own selves free from malice, with a heart single to the purpose of patriotism, with a heart single to fealty and loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

It is my pleasure to render at this time an account to the Grand Army of the Republic, especially to the commander in chief, of the achievements of our organization during the year. I point with

especial pride to the fact that this year we have grown as we have never grown before. While the Grand Army is increasing on the other side of the river we are adding to our membership because you need us more, and in the Southwest we have just, within this last month, added two new departments, commander, to aid in the work which we are doing. [Applause.]

It is unfortunate that, in order to tell the story of what we have done, we must needs do this in figures. I wish I could put it into words other than dollars and cents, but this will tell you in a feeble way just what we have been trying to do. We have spent for relief in our individual corps \$59,083.39. For relief other than money, \$105,318.61. Amount turned over by the local corps to the local posts, \$31,634.35.

Last year, at your encampment in this city, you found it necessary to increase your per capita tax from 3 cents to 10 cents. Now, you did that because your numbers were decreasing. We were sorry for that, but we were glad of an opportunity to add to our service for the comrades, and so all over the country the departments of the Woman's Relief Corps have given to the departments of the Grand Army as an evidence of their desire to be of service, the sum of \$10,613. This makes for the record of this year \$206,649.35. I think it is a very creditable record. [Applause.]

In addition to that amount, we have expended in the local corps for the expenses of Memorial Day and flowers for our sick and deceased comrades, \$20,239.04. We have given to the southern memorial fund—this is the national—\$1,059.50: and we gave to a number of the Army Nurses, beloved of the Grand Army, a Christmas gift of \$1,160. Now that brings the total for this year alone to \$229,107.89.

Now I want you to remember the total from our organization, and I am going to ask you to do this because I think we can point with pride to this thing, because we are doing it not because we have it but because we want to. We have reached the total of \$5,415,093.25. I am going to ask you if we have given any evidence of the worth of our organization to the Grand Army of the Republic? [Applause.]

It is nice to sing your own praises, and it is nice to hear your praises sung. I want in this public manner to bear testimony to the loyalty of the commander in chief to the auxiliary of this organization. [Applause.] He has acknowledged that if it had not been for the Woman's Relief Corps that he didn't know what would have become of the Grand Army of the Republic. We accept that as a statement of fact, and we are glad of it.

In addition, commander, to these words, which are loving words and true words, are greetings from the hearts of these 220,000 women, members of your own families. In addition to that I want to give you documentary evidence of our love, and assure you that in the future whatever you may need, whatever you may ask of the Woman's Relief Corps, it will be our joy and our pleasure to grant. [Applause.]

On behalf of our 220,000 members, it gives me great pleasure to put into your hands this check for \$1,000. [Applause.] You are to use that as you see fit.

I am going to give you another check, commander, which you are not to use as you see fit. It is to be devoted to a special purpose,



and because I know it will give you joy I am going to ask you to present this check of \$100 to Mrs. Risley, the president of the Army Nurses.

I presume I have taken more time than I should have, and for this I beg your pardon. But I want to say that if there were not 24 other people to talk I would talk a good deal longer. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. Mrs. Bender, the response of the Grand Army to your greetings will be presented by the Hon. Washington Gardner, but before he takes the floor I want to say that from the bottom of my heart, and in that I speak for the entire Grand Army, we want to return to you our grateful thanks for the kind consideration and assistance that you have been to us from 1883 down to the present hour, capped by this beautiful gift to-day. Past Commander in Chief Gardner will have the floor.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER, of Michigan. Commander in Chief Ketcham and friends, I have never felt quite my inability to measure up to the occasion that I do at this hour, after having heard what this great patriotic organization has done in the short space of 39 years. I feel we have hardly words to express our admiration and our gratitude. In all these years they have gone in and out in the homes of our necessitous poor, administering to the widows and the fatherless, the aged and the infirm, that which would make life more easy to endure. They have borne the burdens of many who shared in the great battles of the war. They have made it easier for the members of the Grand Army of the Republic to prolong life and perpetuate the great organization known as the Grand Army of the Republic. They have seen us pass to our zenith, and to-night approaching the western horizon. Our numbers, as has been said, are decreasing; theirs increasing. They now number more than two to one of the present membership of the Grand Army. And if we may judge that the names on the pension rolls at Washington of the surviving Civil War veterans represent substantially all who are alive, they outnumber at this hour every single soldier living whom Lincoln called to the colors.

Our days will be comparatively few as an organization. But they will abide, and I hope, Commander, that they will continue to grow in number, in influence, in power. Though the great body over whom you have presided shall pass away, our country will endure. The flag will be here, our institutions will remain, if devoted, patriotic, heroic men and women still live and are loyal to the highest ideals of our great Republic. Then, then, in the solemn march of the centuries the Republic of the United States will enter into its own in leading the world to a higher, a nobler, a loftier, and a purer citizenship among our fellowmen everywhere. I thank you. [Applause.]

(Mrs. Maud Lucas Rumpler, of Indianapolis, sang "A Thousand Years, My Own Columbia," and when encored responded with "The Battle Hymn of the Republic.")

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. Next on the program will be greetings from those angels of mercy that lightened the terrors of the battlefields, by Mrs. Risley, president of the Army Nurses.

Mrs. ALICE CARY RISLEY, national president of the Association of Army Nurses of the Civil War, of Jefferson City, Mo. Commander in chief, members of all the allied societies, and our comrades, if you ever harbored the thought that the Army Nurses had been shelved

or are a back number or have crossed over to settle that unknown country, I hope you will be agreeably surprised to find we are still here to bring you hearty greetings. We have not forgotten that we were in the same war, in the same battles you were, in the same hospitals, and I know you have not forgotten.

The treasurer of this association lived in Gettysburg all during the Battle of Gettysburg, and still lives there. We are crossing over the border land in about the same ratio as you, and like yourselves we can have no successors. The organization of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Army nurses of the Civil War are the most unique in the world's history. We have never lost our interest in you, nor our loyalty to you and to our flag. As long as you hold these encampments, the Army nurses will be there, and, comrades, you know I think if we could have a picture of the last veteran and the last Army nurse that it would be a picture worth having. It might be you and me. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. As you all know, our well beloved and highly honored Comrade Tanner, by the misfortunes of war, can not climb the stairway to enable him to reach this platform to talk to you. So, with but a second's warning, I have asked Comrade Levi Longfellow, of Minneapolis—I have drafted him, not simply as a soldier—I have drafted him as a substitute to respond to the greetings of these splendid old women. Now I have the honor to introduce Comrade Longfellow, of Minneapolis.

Comrade LEVI LONGFELLOW, of Minnesota. Commander in chief, comrades of the Grand Army, and citizens of this wonderful city, I am sure very few of you can appreciate the tender place in the hearts of these comrades that these Army nurses hold to-night. We have memories of their service in the days of the sixties. I remember a comrade of mine who fell mortally wounded in the battle of Gettysburg, and in his delirium he seemed to be calling for his mother, but mother was not there. Silently and lovingly one of these Army nurses stepped up gently to his side, placed her hand upon his head, and pronounced a blessing. That boy opened his eyes and said, "That feels like the touch of mother. God bless you. How did you get here?" And he was gone.

Comrades, we shall ever cherish the memory of these loving women and the self-sacrificing service they rendered to us and our comrades in those perilous days. "May they live long and prosper." [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. We will next have the pleasure of listening to the greetings from that splendid ally of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, voiced and presented by Mrs. Irish, national president.

Mrs. ETHEL IRISH, of Fond du Lac, Wis. Commander in Chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and friends, I bring, as the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the warmest greetings to these heroes of 1861-1865 from the national society of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic—your wives, your sisters, your daughters, your family. We extend to you our best wishes, our lasting love, with the hope that your days may be long on earth, that your last days may be your best, and that your lines may lie in pleasant places.



We realize full well to-day here in America that America's greatness is largely due to the heroism and the sacrifices of the heroes of 1861-1865. America has sent wave after wave of her young manhood to die in the South and on Flanders field. We have sealed our faith in this Union with the blood of our best youth. The Grand Army tells us, "One nation, one language, and one flag." To-day we need the unifying influence of one language for the unity of our Nation. Let us insist upon our language as an essential of American citizenship.

We have come back to Indianapolis to-day, remembering our warm reception here one year ago. I personally shall always have a warm spot in my heart for Indianapolis. I was made very, very happy a year ago here in your city by being elected national president of the splendid organization of the Ladies of the Grand Army. We have closed a prosperous year with the largest gain in the history of our order. We are both glad and sad, however, because our loss is greater than a year ago and two years ago, for we must realize that with the passing of the Grand Army of the Republic their wives and widows who are in our ranks, too, are passing out with the veterans.

We find to-day the same warm welcome extended to us from the people of Indianapolis that we enjoyed one year ago. You gave us then your best. Your homes were opened to us, your hearts, your hands were extended. The very best you had to offer was given freely, and not the least, you gave us of your best in our commander in chief. [Applause.] We thank you. We are grateful to you for all the hospitality that you extended a year ago and have so generously offered us again to-day. We shall ever remember the pleasures that you have given us.

Commander in Chief KETCHAM, I have enjoyed the meetings that I have had with you during the year and our labors together. I congratulate you on your splendid work, and I trust that your path may be strewn with roses and that earth's to-morrows may hold for us all many pleasant meeting places.

I can not close without saying to these dear Army nurses, the sainted women who were the angels of the battle fields, who bound up our fathers' wounds or nursed them back to health, or closed their eyes and wrote the message home to our mothers, "God bless you." We look upon you with equal reverence as the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and we give to you our lasting love. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. The response to this beautiful greeting from the good women, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, will be by Past Commander in Chief Torrance.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE, of Minneapolis, Minn. Commander in Chief, national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and my fellow Americans, anyone this evening, with the exception of the commander in chief, who speaks more than once, speaks at least once too often. But it is my pleasant duty to respond to the very gracious and beautiful address made by the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In the possession of the affection and respect of these noble, patriotic women who are here represented to-night and who have spoken—the women of the Relief Corps and the Ladies of the Grand



Army of the Republic—we are rich indeed. Just why it is that they so truly love us and consider our necessities and strive so continuously to help us in the last few leagues of our earthly march I do not understand. Are we worthy, my comrades, of the affection and respect of these noble women? I doubt if we are.

The rebellion would never have been suppressed if it had not been for women. [Applause.] It was their blessing resting upon our heads and upon our hearts and upon our souls that helped us to be as good soldiers as we were. They were with us on every battle field, invisible but nevertheless present, encouraging us and strengthening us for the hard tasks that were appointed to us.

I am happy to-night to think that American womanhood has been enfranchised. She has always been the superior of man. Now she is the equal of him, politically [applause], and the condition of the world will be better and it will be redeemed from its follies and its vices by the influence of womanhood, by the purity of our firesides, by the gentleness and strength of our mothers and our wives and our sisters. I want to-night, publicly, to express the deepest sentiments of my heart and my sincerest gratitude to these noble women of America. No living man can fully and justly express the debt of gratitude the world owes to womanhood, the greatest gift of heaven to earth. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. We will next receive the greeting from the Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans. Mrs. Beverstock.

Mrs. BLANCHE BEVERSTOCK, national president, Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, of Keene, N. H. Commander and comrades of the Grand Army, I deem this a great honor and a privilege to come here this evening to extend to you the greetings of the national organization of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary and to assure you that your interests are our interests and shall ever be just so long as a member of your organization remains. And in the future it will be our utmost endeavor to inculcate and teach the principles of patriotism to the youth of our land, that our flag in the future may have the same high standard that it has to-day. Your organization will live in spirit if not in person for the centuries to come, and your names will be inscribed on Fame's eternal roll. God bless you and keep you with us for many years to come.

Commander in Chief Ketcham, I appreciate, and our organization appreciates, the many courtesies which you have extended to us during this year, and we wish to present to you this small check (\$250) with our love and respect. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. For this gift I will not rely upon Past Commander in Chief Palmer to make acknowledgment, but I will myself for the Grand Army return to these good women our thanks for your kind courtesy and consideration. For the rest Past Commander in Chief Palmer will respond to your kindly greetings.

Past Commander in Chief DAVID J. PALMER, of Iowa. Mr. Commander in Chief, Mrs. President of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, my old comrades, and all friends here, I notice the commander in chief grabs all the money that they give here. I thought I was going to get a little of this myself. But I am very glad indeed to have an opportunity to say a word to the Auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans, another organization coming on in the interest of America, in the interest of our common country, which we are all interested in now



and endeavoring all we can to support and carry on to the future and turn over to the future generation worth just as much as it was or a little more than when we got it back in the sixties.

You, my comrades, were boys then, average age about 19 years, but you did the business of Uncle Sam with all your might, and you brought home to us a united country, not a star missing in that glorious flag. [Applause.] Now we have behind us, coming here to support us still further, while we are getting a little weak in the knees and trembly on our feet, yet we have something coming behind us, a rear rank that is going to put vim into you fellows that you will do more and more. These are the queens of America, the uncrowned queens of America. [Applause.] Nearly every one of you has a queen in your house that tells you some things sometimes. I have one over in Iowa that tells me where to head in lots of times. [Laughter.] And that is what every last one of you need, and that is what the Sons of Veterans will need as they go along, and here we have a lot of girls that will tend to that business, just up to the very handle. They will tend to it right, and our country will go on and prove to be what it always has been, "the land of the free and the home of the brave." [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. I have been furnished with a bill of fare that says the next thing is music. My voice is gone. I can not make music, and I do not see any outward or visible signs of music. So I will call for the next thing on the program, which is greetings from the Sons of Veterans by Gov. Barrows.

PELHAM A. BARROWS, Commander in Chief of the Sons of Veterans, of Lincoln, Nebr. Commander in Chief, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to come here from Nebraska, the land where the grasshoppers hop, the jack rabbits jump, and the corn grows 20 feet high. [Laughter.] It is a great pleasure to come to Indianapolis. I shall always have a very warm spot in my heart for this city, because it was here that I received the greatest honor that has ever come to me, and that is the election as Commander in Chief of the Sons of Veterans, the sons of the men who composed the grandest Army that ever marched on American soil. [Applause.]

We come here to bring you greetings, commander. I have had a great deal of pleasure the past year. I have met the commander in chief here at many encampments, and I love him as you love him. I know how hard he has worked and I know what he has accomplished. I think I know. But we are coming on, as has been said by the speaker before me, coming along behind you, and we expect to do our part to see that your memory is perpetuated and that in the future as time shall go on that there shall not be forgotten throughout this broad land the great deeds which you performed in those horrible, dreadful days of 1861 to 1865. [Applause.]

It is a great honor to be a son of one of those men. It is a great thing. I often regret that I had not been old enough to have participated in that conflict. I could not go, but I did the next best thing. I did a lot of yelling and shouting. I was only four weeks old when the war broke out. [Laughter.] And so I did the best that I could—I sent my father, and that was a good deal better than sending a substitute. [Applause.]

To be serious, I am glad to be here to-night. I am glad to have this honor and this opportunity to bring the greetings of our or-

ganization here to-night. We have had a great year. Our organization has made a gain, notwithstanding the heavy handicap of financial times. It has made the first gain in years, and right here in old Indiana—oh, how I love Indiana [applause]—our organization has made in Indiana a gain this year of 80 per cent. Isn't that encouraging? Doesn't that show you that your boys are behind you?

I'll tell you what it is. We have something ahead of us, and we appreciate it. As I look back over the years and as I can look forward to the future, I can see what is before us. At no time in the history of our organization have our responsibilities been greater than they are now. It is but a few more years when the last of these brave veterans will have marched up the hill of time and passed over the horizon into the unfathomed future. Are we going to let the memory of your deeds pass away? No. We expect to do our part toward perpetuating your memory, and we want you to remember that we are your sons and as the time comes along we want to feel that we will have a place at the family table. We don't want to be sent off into the woodshed to eat our meals while strangers take our place at the table. We want to be in fact your sons. We want that recognition which will let the world know that you know we are your sons and we will do our part.

I said a few moments ago that at no time in our history have our responsibilities been greater. As these veterans are going out from us, when we shall no longer have the inspiration of their daily presence, we want to do our part. We want to have the privilege when Memorial Day comes in the years to come that we can go out as your official representatives, and I think you will feel better if it were possible for you to know that each Memorial Day there was being placed upon your graves the flowers that have bloomed for that purpose, being placed there by your own sons instead of by strangers; that there is placed upon that grave that grand old flag for which you fought so nobly from 1861 to 1865. [Applause.]

So, as the years come and go, we are going to be behind you. There are other things that we must do and which we expect to do, and that is, take a part in the education of the coming generation. Your commander in chief has heard me say before what I am going to say now, and that is that we are going to have a part in the education of the coming generation. We want in the future, if there is any man, woman, or child who will come to this land who can not subscribe to every principle written in that grand old Constitution, who can not subscribe to the principles which that old flag stands for and for which our fathers fought; if they can not subscribe to this, if they can not stand beneath the folds of that old flag and resolve to do everything that that old flag stands for, there is only one thing for them to do and that is to go back from whence they came. [Applause.] And that is another of the things that we stand for.

As I look back, my memory goes back to the deeds of those men. As I think of the sacrifices which they made, it seems to me that we can not do too much for them. In our haste to get after the almighty dollar we have forgotten so many things, but we must not forget them.

All honor to these younger men who have come back covered with glory, who have done so much for this world over there. All honor



to them. We can not do too much for them. But there is one thing in the years to come that we must remember. But for these brave veterans which you see before us, the sons of the men who wore the blue and the sons of the men who wore the gray could not have marched overseas elbow to elbow and shoulder and shoulder under one flag and brought peace to this troubled world. [Applause.]

If these old veterans had not made it possible for those men to go over there, the story over there might have been written differently; and those are the things that we must remember.

I am not going to keep you any longer. I have spoken once to-night, as you will notice by my voice, and I expect you will be glad that I am going to stop. But I want to say this one thing, that the Sons of Veterans are going to stand by the Grand Army of the Republic in the future, and that our efforts will be to perpetuate their memory as long as our lives shall last and that we will in the future do our part, and more than our part if necessary, to see that that old flag continues in the future as it has in the past over this grand "land of the free and the home of the brave." [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. The response to these greetings from our sons will be made by Past Commander in Chief Patterson. He has either gone to sleep or else my voice is not loud enough to reach him. I haven't got voice enough to make response to that. So, Gov. Barrows, you will have to take the will for the deed and let me pass to the next number, which will be the greetings from the National Alliance of Daughters of Veterans, by Mrs. Nellie Goodman.

Mrs. NELLIE M. GOODMAN, national president of the Daughters of Veterans, of Roxbury, Mass. Commander in chief and comrades, you see how anxious I was to bring the greetings of the Daughters of Veterans that I came out before my turn. I want to tell the commander in chief I am proud indeed to be here to-night and to bring the greetings of the National Alliance of Daughters of Veterans.

We have a great work to do and we are doing what we can for our comrades whom we love as every daughter loves her father. I am proud to report to the commander in chief to-night that we have far exceeded any other year in the number of tents instituted throughout the country, and that we have two new departments. We are glad of all this because we can do just a little bit more for you, our fathers.

Now, I know how late the hour is, and I know that you don't want to listen to me. But I do want to tell our dear commander in chief that I have brought a little gift to the commander in chief from my National Alliance. I have here a little purse that I am going to give to the commander in chief for a gift for himself, with the love of every Daughter of a Veteran. In this little purse I have a check that I am going to ask the commander in chief to accept for the G. A. R. permanent fund. This check is from our organization, \$600. [Applause.]

I will say also that I have a little gift from my organization for Mrs. Alice Cary Risley, of the Army Nurses. How dear to the heart of every Daughter of a Veteran is the Army nurse. For a few years in Massachusetts we expended all our energies in raising nearly \$17,000 for a monument for the Army nurses and the Daughters of Veterans of Massachusetts are proud indeed of that monument in our statehouse. On it is inscribed, "Angels of mercy and life, 'midst

scenes of conflict and death." Dear comrades, I know that you, too, will be pleased that we have this check of \$100 for the Army Nurses' Association.

I bring you the love and greetings of every Daughter of a Veteran, and the love of a daughter of a veteran has for her father can never be equaled. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. For this gift and your gracious greetings you are justly entitled to a royal response, and I can do no better in that line than to ask Comrade King to make that response.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING, of Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Goodman, it gives me great pleasure to respond to your splendid remarks. Your organization is called the National Alliance of the Daughters of Veterans. Now, what sort of veterans? There are so many kinds of veterans in these days, Spanish War, World War, the Veterans of the Blacksmiths organization. I prefer that you be the Daughters of Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic. Change your name to the Daughters of Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic. Then we will know what you mean and who you are.

We know, Mrs. Goodman, of the splendid work that your organization is doing. We are grateful for it. I would not detain this suffering audience here by any speech that I might make. I only have to say to you, go on with your good work. Let our highest aspirations be one country, one language, and one flag, that old flag far flung in the high heavens without a stain, without dishonor, and which, bless God, has never gone down in defeat. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. The program as laid out—keep your seats, boys—is at an end, and we will now rise and sing one verse from "America." As I have no voice and my adjutant general has a splendid voice, I will ask him to lead in this singing.

Those present stood and, led by Adjutant General Mahlon D. Butler, sang one verse from "America."

Commander in Chief KETCHAM. We will listen to the words in which our chaplain shall commend us—what we have done and what we are to do—to the Divine mercy.

Chaplain in Chief WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH. The Lord bless thee and keep thee. The Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift the light of His countenance upon thee and give thee peace. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

(Whereupon, at 10.30 o'clock p. m., the audience was dismissed.)





## THE GRAND PARADE.

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The following accounts of the parade held on Wednesday afternoon, September 28, 1921, are taken from the Indianapolis daily papers:

[News, Sept. 28, 1921.]

Witnessed by thousands of persons who were packed along the line of march, the annual parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, the most picturesque event of the encampment, and probably the last Indianapolis will see, was as colorful and animated as any that have preceded it. The lines were thinner, however, and the procession, as far as the veterans were concerned, was much shorter. The length of the line of march also was reduced.

The G. A. R. officers had addressed themselves to the task of making sure the organization of the parade. A special order, issued late Tuesday by the commander in chief, reminded all members of their part in the procession, and recited in unmistakable terms the time and place and manner of every major movement in the picturesque maneuver.

Automobiles, driven or sent by their owners for the use of veterans unable to march, began assembling in North Street between Illinois and Pennsylvania Streets, early in the afternoon. Those east of Meridian faced the west, and those west of Meridian faced the east. Parked there, ranked in careful order, the machines themselves made an array which might have claimed the glance of a potentate. Pursuant to cautions sent broadcast Tuesday, the automobile drivers took in no passengers at random. They waited until the committee in charge of the disabled veterans assigned certain men to a certain car. The machines were filled without confusion. The hospitality of Indianapolis, already a proverb among the blue-clad guests, was again demonstrated by the large number of automobiles provided.

The Sons of Veterans formed in two ranks in Meridian Street, just north of Vermont Street. Led by the Knightstown Band, they marched south at the word, across the Vermont Street intersection. At the south line of the crossing the column parted, the right line moving to the center of Meridian Street and the left to the edge of the curb.

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The veterans then started from Meridian and Vermont Streets and moved between the lines of the Sons of Veterans, with a mounted escort of police in the lead, followed closely by the aids to the commander in chief who marched in a column of fours.

Next came the Old Guard, mustered from Columbus and Newark, Ohio. All members were in uniforms and under arms. The Purdue Band's place was back of the Old Guard.

Next were to be the commander in chief surrounded by his staff, brilliant with the insignia of rank. Then "the Grand Army parade proper," headed by the senior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general and the chief of staff, in six divisions. Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Ohio comprised the first division; New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, California, Nevada, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island the second, preceded by the Indianapolis News Newsboys' Band; Vermont, Potomac, Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa, Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas, and Delaware third, preceded by the International Band; Minnesota, Missouri, Oregon, Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Washington, Alaska, Arkansas, New Mexico, Utah, Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia, South Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, and Indiana, the fourth, preceded by the Whiteland Band. Veterans of the Spanish-



American war with two auxiliary units, and members of the American Legion, led by a band and drum corps, were in the fifth division. Disabled veterans in automobiles formed the last division.

[Times, Sept. 28, 1921.]

With steps that lacked the firmness and youthful lightness which marked them 55 long years ago, when the first parade of the infant Grand Army of the Republic was held in Indianapolis, the veterans of the now venerable and beloved organization, thousands strong, marched down Meridian Street this afternoon in what probably was the last national G. A. R. parade this city will ever see.

But though the physical vitality of 60 years ago, when in the full strength of youth they went to the colors, was gone, the eyes of the veterans were as bright and their spirit as undaunted as when they bore the brunt of the terrific Confederate impact at Chickamauga, stormed Missionary Ridge, fought their way inch by inch against the best Joe Johnston had to offer to the gates of Atlanta, and then, having broken the backbone of the Confederacy, went swinging along behind Sherman from Atlanta to the sea.

Five times has the annual parade of the Grand Army of the Republic moved down Meridian Street. First in 1867 at the initial encampment of the organization, once again in the seventies, when it was in the bright morning of its youth; a third time in 1893, when at the very height of its glory the G. A. R. numbered about 500,000 veterans; a fourth time in 1920 in the late afternoon of its lifetime, and a fifth and last time to-day, in the setting sun of its existence.

In point of numbers the smallest parade of the five, it still was the greatest, for the thousands upon thousands of spectators that packed rows deep lined the few short blocks of the line of march from Vermont to Washington Street and back to Ohio Street, seemed to realize that this march was in a way the farewell of the Grand Army of the Republic in Indianapolis.

It was a loyal, loving, sympathetic crowd, and there was lacking all the levity, restlessness, and curiosity seeking which are so characteristic of crowds at ordinary parades. It cheered the old soldiers generously, was quick to respond to every little appeal of the slowly moving lines of marchers, and through it all there was an atmosphere of reverence and dignity that was tremendously impressive. In the eyes of hundreds upon hundreds of watchers stood tears that were restrained only with difficulty. The sight of these veterans, the boys of 1861 and 1865, who had given themselves so unselfishly, so generously for their country in those days now so far off that the names Cold Harbor, Resaca, Dalton, Chancellorsville, Shiloh, Lookout Mountain, and even Gettysburg, have to many minds ceased to convey any specially significant meaning, marching so bravely, despite their infirmities, was one that never will be forgotten by one who saw it.

Even the younger generation, often so lacking in susceptibility to things of this kind, felt the significance of the event keenly. One young fellow, a youthful veteran of the World War, who had gone through the Argonne, turned to a companion and said seriously:

"Jim, do you realize that those men out there were just as much kids as we are now when they won the Civil War?"

Heading the parade, immediately behind the police escort, came the aids to the commander in chief in columns of fours, then the Old Guard from Columbus and Newark, Ohio, in full uniform and carrying the old Civil War rifles. They were met with a wild burst of applause from the crowd. Next came the Purdue Band, and then in automobiles came Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham, his staff, past commander in chief, their wives, and specially invited guests. Then came the Grand Army of the Republic in four divisions, headed by Senior Vice Commander Hosley, Chief of Staff Harvey, and Adj. Gen. Harry B. Smith, followed by six aids. Each division was headed by a division commander.

The parade leaders were generously applauded, but it was to the rank and file of the four divisions of marching veterans that the heart of the big crowd warmed. They were received with storms of cheers, the waving of flags, and though they knew it not, by many a tear, furtively and hurriedly wiped away. They were real heroes of the parade, these men in the ranks. After seeing this wonderful demonstration for the rank and file it is easier to understand the meaning of the remark made by a Frenchman after a big parade in Paris in celebration of the successful defense of Verdun:

"When the generals went by we applauded; when the infantry went by we wept."



## SOLEMNITY FAILS TO PERVADE RANKS.

But it must not be thought that any of this solemnity pervaded the ranks of the marchers, not one bit of it. They came along happily and boyishly, their fife and drum corps playing the old war time tunes and giving the hearer that little tight feeling around the throat that only comes from the shrill music of the fife and the roll of the drum. They were having a good time, enjoying themselves thoroughly and many of them seemed genuinely disappointed at the short line of march. That they were not exhausted by their efforts was proved by the fact that following the parade the Circle was the scene of dozens of fife and drum concerts for two hours.

Following the four divisions of the G. A. R. came the Spanish-American Veterans with a fife and drum corps and the American Legion headed by the American Legion band. The contrast between the faltering steps of the old veterans who saved the Nation more than half a century ago and the light springy steps of these younger service men who, less than three years ago were helping to save the civilization of the world, made a deep impression on the crowd.

In these younger men the spectators seemed to see that first parade of the G. A. R. 54 years ago, when the veterans who just had passed were themselves youngsters.

"These boys of 1918 are not one bit different from the boys of 1861," said one old man, as he watched the American Legion go by. "Barring the uniform, they look just like our boys did 60 years ago, and after this when I get pessimistic about modern tendencies and the unrest of modern times, I am going to remember this parade to-day and I will know that so long as the spirit of this parade lasts America is safe."

Disabled veterans of all wars in automobiles were last in line and won applause equal to that of the marching veterans of the G. A. R.

[Star, Sept. 29, 1921.]

Thousands of old soldiers, dressed in the blue of the uniform of the Grand Army, their breasts gleaming with many badges, their faces shining as brightly as the sun under which they marched, and radiating to the younger generation the true spirit of love of country that has made them revered by young and old, marched through the downtown streets yesterday afternoon in the annual parade of the Grand Army of the Republic. The parade was the feature event of the fifty-fifth encampment and formed a fitting climax to the lessons of patriotism which the old soldiers have taught the people of Indianapolis during the days of the encampment.

The old soldiers marched to the martial airs played by innumerable bands scattered through the divisions, and quickened their steps at the sound of the sprightly airs of the many fife and drum corps. Some walked with head erect and chests thrown out, some leaned heavily on canes, and some walked on crutches, but everyone who was physically able to move marched proudly under the banners of his department and the flag which he served in the Civil War.

## CROWD ON HAND EARLY.

The parade moved promptly at 3 o'clock from Vermont and Meridian Streets, where it was formed. Vast crowds had lined the ropes along the line of march hours earlier, and had applauded a number of miniature parades of veterans marching to the point of formation. A few minutes before the parade began to move the members of the Sons of Veterans formed a line on each side of Meridian Street, from Vermont Street to the Circle, and aided the police and Boy Scouts in keeping the street clear. Frank Shellhouse, past division commander, Sons of Veterans, commanded the organization.

The parade was headed by an escort of mounted policemen, led by Lieut. Harley Jones. A fife and drum corps preceded the members of the Old Guard from Newark, Ohio, and Columbus, Ohio, who presented a striking picture as they strode along in their brilliant uniforms and with their guns gleaming in the sun. The Purdue band, of 100 pieces, led by K. E. Beeson, drum major, followed. The band formed on the steps directly behind the reviewing stand on the north side of the monument upon reaching the Circle and from there sent their stirring patriotic tunes to the other marchers.



## COMMANDER'S CAR.

The collegiate band was followed by an automobile bearing W. A. Ketcham, of Indianapolis, commander in chief of the Grand Army; Gov. McCray; M. W. Wood, inspector general of the Grand Army; and William A. Bosworth, chaplain in chief. Other automobiles bearing other members of Commander Ketcham's staff and their families and past commanders in chief and their families, followed. Next came the Grand Army of the Republic, headed by Senior Vice Commander in Chief Hosley, Chief of Staff Harvey, and Adj. Gen. Smith, with six aids.

The Long Beach (Calif.) Drum Corps received an ovation marching before Adj. Gen. Smith and his aids. The first division was composed of veterans from Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Ohio. The Illinois delegates marched to the tunes of the Liberty Fife and Drum Corps, of Waukegan, Ill. A small boy, looking very proud in his uniform modeled after the blue uniforms of his Civil War forbears, attracted much attention as he marched in the center of a line of gray-headed veterans from Springfield, Ill.

## \* SECOND DIVISION.

The second division was headed by the Indianapolis Newsboys' band, and was composed of veterans from New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, California, Nevada, Rhode Island and New Hampshire. The Boy Scout drum corps of Indianapolis was applauded as it marched in the midst of old soldiers. The third division was headed by Whiteland military band and consisted of veterans from the Departments of Vermont, Potomac, Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa, Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and Delaware. The Iowa delegation carried long cornstalks as canes and waved ears of yellow corn in the air as they marched, which they boasted was the finest corn in the United States.

The fourth division was made up of old soldiers from Minnesota, Missouri, Oregon, Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Washington, Alaska, Arkansas, New Mexico, Utah, Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia, South Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Indiana. The fifth division was made up of Spanish-American War Veterans, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The division was headed by the Knightstown band.

## INDIANA VETERANS.

The Indiana delegation of the Grand Army received a noisy ovation as it swung into the Circle from Meridian Street and along the line of march. The cheering had hardly subsided when the World War veterans, dressed in khaki, in striking contrast to the blue of the veterans' uniforms, marched into view and a great roar of cheering arose that lasted for several minutes.

The parade marched from Vermont and Meridian Streets south around the west side of the monument to Washington Street, and countermarched around the east side of the monument to Ohio Street where the old soldiers broke line and disbanded. The allied and auxiliary organizations which followed the marching delegations in automobiles continued east on Ohio Street to Pennsylvania Street, south to Washington Street, west to Illinois Street, north to Ohio Street, east to Meridian Street and north on Meridian Street until the street north of the column moving south was reached, where they disbanded.

Crowds viewed the procession from every vantage point. Every window in office buildings and public buildings in the downtown section was filled with faces; spectators sat on the roofs of some of the tallest buildings and gazed down at the slowly moving line. The great crush was behind the ropes stretched along the line of march, where police guards had difficulty in keeping the crowds back. Chairs were provided on the Circle for the tired and infirm.

## LAUGHS AND CHEERS

The crowds laughed and cheered the happy antics of the old soldiers, who danced jigs as they marched and raised their voices in song to the patriotic tunes played by the bands. One figure who attracted considerable attention was Henry North, a 78-year-old veteran, who marched in the uniform of

Hawkins Zouaves, a part of the Ninth New York Regiment. He wore a loose-fitting red cap with a long blue tassel and the typical baggy trousers of the zouave, tucked into white puttees.

One old soldier, acting as the manipulator of a small cannon which was fired intermittently as it was pulled along by Boy Scouts, caused much merriment when he turned and kissed and danced a jig in the middle of the street with a young newspaper woman who ran to ask his name. The old soldiers of the Rhode Island Department received the plaudits of the crowd as a result of their striking appearance. They wore dark blue coats, broad-brimmed campaign hats, and spotlessly clean white trousers.

#### ON REVIEWING STAND.

Commander Ketcham and his staff, and Gov. McCray and Mayor Jewett took their places in a long line across the first elevation on the north side of the monument, which was set aside as the official reviewing stand. The commander stood in the center of the line at the side of a giant American flag and commanded an unobstructed view of the parade as it moved south on Meridian Street. The space in front of the reviewing stand was kept clear by squads of police.

The parade occupied about two hours in passing. It was estimated that approximately 12,000 old soldiers marched or rode in machines. A number of the veterans, refusing to surrender to fatigue before the end of the line of march, were overcome by the heat and were carried in ambulances to nearby first-aid stations, where they were cared for by nurses and physicians before being removed to their rooms. The ambulances were also kept on the run to different points along the line of march to get persons in the crowd watching the parade who were overcome by the heat or otherwise became ill. No serious cases of illness were reported, it was said by Dr. Herman G. Morgan, who was in charge of the medical arrangements.

[“Spirit of Yesteryear,” by Mary E. Bostwick, in *Star*, Sept. 29, 1921.]

Toward the Soldiers' and Sailors' monument, whose towering shaft and sculptured figures commemorate its deeds of more than half a century ago, the Grand Army of the Republic marched yesterday afternoon, to the sound of shrilling fifes and rolling drums, the soft afternoon sunlight touching waving banners and ancient battle flags, faded blue uniforms and battered forage caps, while the immense crowd packed along the line of march cheered the venerable warriors.

For an hour or more previous to the start of the parade, Vermont and Meridian Streets had been a scene of feverish activity. Anxious veterans, some of them dim of eye and none too swift of foot, but determined to take their part in the annual parade of the comrades just the same, arrived by the hundred, some of them in uniform, some in civilian clothes, all eager to find their hometown contingents and get in line, and Adj. Gen. Harry B. Smith and his marshals had a thousand things to do to keep matters straightened out.

#### LONG LINES OF BLUE.

But the parade was due to start at 3 o'clock—a departure from previous encampments, when the parade has usually been held in the morning, and at 3 o'clock it started. Looking up Meridian Street from the monument, where the reviewing stand was situated, the advancing hosts could be seen—not the line-after-line of khaki to which we have all become accustomed in recent years, but line-after-line of blue—old uniforms cherished since the days of 1861, carefully packed away, and only taken out and displayed on these occasions—one of the most important of all in the lives of the G. A. R. men—the day when the G. A. R. parades in all its glory.

A medley of sounds filled the air, from which one might with care isolate such melodies as “The Girl I Left Behind Me,” “Marching Through Georgia” and—defiantly—“Silver Threads Among the Gold,” for the ancient lungs that provided the power for the fifes, and the ancient arms that wielded the drumsticks, appeared indefatigable. They've been at it for days—ever since the encampment started—at almost any hours of the day or night one could, if one would only listen, hear the squealing fifes and rattling drums, but the veterans played yesterday with ardor that never wavered.



## OLD GUARD ATTRACTIVE.

The parade was headed by a platoon of mounted police, in command of Lieut. Jones, and close behind the aids to the commander in chief, W. A. Ketcham, and composed of representatives from different posts. Next in line, in one of the extreme places of honor, came the Old Guard. The Old Guard is an Ohio outfit, and consists of two companies, and members of the guard say they are the only outfit in the Grand Army of the Republic who wear the complete uniform and equipment they wore in the Civil War. Company A is from Columbus, Ohio, and is commanded by William A. Miller; Company B is from Newark, Ohio, and is commanded by Matthew Bousch. They wore their complete uniforms, forage caps and all, and carried muskets, and if one of the comrades got tired of toting that musket he said nothing but carried it to the end of the parade. The Old Guard includes a fife and drum corps.

The Purdue band had an early place in the line, and left it all too soon to take up its place in the cleared space at the north side of the monument reserved as a reviewing stand and for special guests holding tickets.

## KETCHAM AND STAFF.

After the band came flag-draped automobiles, from which impressive and bemedaled figures stepped forth. These included Commander in Chief Ketcham, his brother, Daniel W. Ketcham, formerly a brigadier general; Gov. McCray; Mayor Jewett; Maj. Gen. John L. Clem, retired, "the drummer boy of Chickamauga"; William H. Upham, of Marshfield, Wis., ex-governor of that State; Cola D. R. Stowits, of Buffalo, N. Y.; and the following past commanders in chief: C. E. Burton, of Portland, Oreg.; Leo Rassieur, of St. Louis, Mo.; John R. King, of Baltimore, and Clarendon E. Adams, of Omaha, Nebr. The officer of the day was Silas H. Towler, commandant of the Minnesota Soldiers' Home at Minneapolis.

The parade halted while the commander in chief and other notables took up their position at the top of the first shallow flight of steps leading up to the monument and lined up to review the rest of the procession. There was considerable difficulty in keeping the open space cleared in front of them and the oncoming procession. Other comrades, not in the parade but desiring greatly to see it, spied this apparently perfect vantage point and drifted into the scene; women insisted that they be given places; small boys edged in, cutting off the view of the celebrities. Through all the turmoil constantly moved Mr. Towler, a squad of extra gentle police, and three United States marines from the local recruiting office—Sergts. Brown, Thompson, and Lang. Bewildered comrades were led away; irate women were pacified; small boys were told to get hence; in some fashion the space between the reviewing stand and the curb was kept clear. It was a reviewing stand well named, too, for the reviewers stood during the entire two hours it took the parade to pass.

## VARIETY IN UNIFORMS.

On came the veterans, until it seems as if surely every soldier who ever carried a gun or drove a mule wagon or took part in any other way in the Civil War, must surely be in that parade." Some of them were in full uniform; others were in civilian dress, but carried an umbrella musketwise; others compromised by wearing a campaign hat or forage cap with their "regular clothes;" some figures there were, here and there, that stood out striking and alone from the rest of the marchers.

The first division consisted of Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Ohio, but included in this division was the drum corps from Long Beach (Calif.) Post 181, far from home, but going strong and having the time of their lives. Other posts represented in this division were the Rockford (Ill.) Post, carrying two fifes and a drum; George H. Thomas Post of Chicago; U. S. Grant Post, "relic of '65," to quote one of its own banners, from Chicago, which carried a corps consisting of three fifes, four trap drums and one bass drum—and one of the fifiers, a particularly vivacious musician, must be able to double in brass, according to the bugle that was hung from his shoulder. Stephenson Post No. 30 of Springfield, Ohio, had three drums and one lone but indefatigable fifer.

## WISCONSIN GROUP "STICKERS."

As the Wisconsin contingent approached, the Purdue band broke into the Wisconsin State song—so persons who said they came from Wisconsin alleged; they had a big bass drum all ornamented with "stickers" from places where other reunions had been held, and from the way the drum was covered with these stickers, the Wisconsin crowd must have gone faithfully to every reunion ever held since stickers first were invented.

Then Pennsylvanians came along, line after line of them, and conspicuous among them was a small but devoted group whose caps were ornamented with strange furry objects. Upon inquiry, these revealed themselves to be buck-tails—"genu-wine bucktails," the old insignia of Company G of the First Pennsylvania Rifles.

Ohio came by—hundreds strong, from Dayton, Toledo, Cleveland, New Philadelphia—all with proud post banners waving together with Old Glory and one aged marcher who didn't find marching enough to keep him busy, but who entertained himself and others by giving a violin solo as he marched, using a camp chair as a fiddle and his cane as a bow.

## ZOUAVE DRAWS ATTENTION.

The New York crowd was headed by a most natty collection of old veterans, all in spick and span blue uniforms, and wearing white gloves. One of the most striking figures in this contingent was Henry North, of North Tonawanda, N. Y., Buffalo Post No. 2, a member of Hawkins's Zouaves. Mr. North had retained his zouave uniform, and he had it on—blue coat and baggy trousers, bright red sash, red fez with long, waving tassel, canvas leggings, canteen, and everything. Mr. North is about 80 years old, and was having a wonderful time.

The Iowa veterans, of whom there were vast numbers, were distinguished by a noble ear of corn slung over their shoulders by a red, white, and blue ribbon; Rhode Island was a sartorial dream in blue coats and immaculate white duck trousers; every Nebraska veteran carried a good-sized flag; every Kansan wore a sunflower. An old battle flag of one of the New York regiments was so tattered that it looked like nothing so much as the ghost of a flag—a few strips of almost transparent fabric, with a few stars still spangling it.

The "Maryland Boys of 61-65" got a big hand as they advanced, and when the band played "Dixie" many a veteran jigged as he marched. The Minnesota veterans had the honor of having the largest American flag in the parade—36 feet long it is, and required the services of a dozen veterans to carry it. Into the flag numerous coins had been tossed. Colorado, Wyoming, Missouri, Florida, West Virginia, the Dakotas—veterans from every corner of the United States were there, under their own State banners.

## DIVISION ALL ALONE.

A division practically all to himself was Joe Trax, once Gen. Custer's orderly, who had a little brass cannon made from various war trophies. Mr. Trax himself was draped with a flag flung toga-wise about his form, and ever and anon he would stop and fire his cannon, which let out a roar that set the pigeons that nest in the buildings about the Circle soaring skyward in startled flocks.

When the last of the veterans had passed on foot—and it was a constant and growing source of amazement how many of them had elected to march—came the Spanish-American War Veterans, headed by Capt. Charles Tarleton—in uniform—and Harry Franklin. Khaki and tin hats made their first appearance with the arrival of the Veterans of Foreign Wars—soldiers, sailors, and marines—and the Department of Indiana of the American Legion—more khaki and tin hats, with here and there the boots and Sam Browne belt of an officer—an ex-officer, that is—though most of the World War soldiers wore civilian clothes.

Maj. W. H. Mershon, the "original drummer boy of Shiloh," who served with the Thirtieth Indiana Volunteers, but who now lives in Los Angeles, Calif., passed by in an open automobile, drumming as he drummed 60 years ago, and following him came automobile load after automobile load of veterans who did not feel quite equal to the march. Dozens and dozens of flag-draped automobiles, from the comfortable depths of which the veterans leaned out and waved to their friends.



## WIDOW TOUCHING FIGURE.

One of the striking figures at the reviewing stand, although she was not there in any official capacity, was Mrs. Martha Barnett, 83 years old, whose home is at 1325 Sturm Street. Mrs. Barnett is a widow, her husband having been in Company A of the Sixtieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and yesterday afternoon was the first time she had been able to leave her home for over two years. But she wanted to see the parade yesterday afternoon—she wanted to see the boys of 1861 march, as she had seen them march when she was a young girl and they were young men—and so she made the trip to a special corner of the monument in a wheeled chair piloted by her daughter, and saw the parade, and applauded with the best.

Everything had conspired to make it a wonderful parade. It wasn't hot—the line of march was not long, the way it has been on other parades, and hence very few of the veterans reached the end of it exhausted; the crowds along the line of march showed the old soldiers every honor and homage, in such measure that surely not a veteran could charge that he has been forgotten in the swift passing of time. And as for the veterans themselves—after seeing yesterday's parade, one can believe that the G. A. R. will still be holding reunions 50 years hence.

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## ON PARADE.

The snap and energy of some of the boys in blue are noteworthy, giving promise of years of actual life. But for many of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic to-day's parade will be the last. Since the parade in Indianapolis a year ago fully 10,000 members of the organization have gone to join their comrades on "Fame's eternal camping ground," where "glory guards with solemn round the bivouac of the dead." In the nature of things those who remain are closer together to-day than they have been before. They sit together with fingers entwined, with arms thrown across each other's shoulders, talking over the days that are a distant memory. And so, having formed the habit of closing ranks as comrade after comrade answered the last roll call, they march closer together, with a feeling that each depends upon the other for strength and for the courage to carry on.

Hundreds of the veterans who marched in to-day's parade did so despite physical suffering. For them to have foregone this rite would have been the admission of defeat, and that is one thing they are no more ready to admit now than they were in their fighting days in a war that ended over 56 years ago. Our wars always have been fought by boys. The older men gave counsel, but the youngsters bore the brunt of the actual conflict. Had they not been so young and so resistant to injury and disease there would be still fewer of them here to-day to march once more.

Indianapolis again feels that thrill of home pride that is due a community linked so closely with the history of the G. A. R. In addition to the connection of this city with the formation of the Grand Army and the encampments that have been held here, there is an added pride in knowing that Indianapolis is the home of W. A. Ketcham, the national commander, a man whose fighting spirit is as vigorous to-day as it was in 1861. So they file past again, some of them grave, most of them gay. Here the stirring war tunes of the past, there a note of pathos as a fife softly plays "Silver Threads Among the Gold." Nowhere in America is there anything more inspiring than such a parade as Indianapolis saw to-day, for these men could have forgotten, they could have pleaded that age and infirmities made it impossible for them to march again. The parade is as much an institution as the encampment itself, and as long as time deals gently with these veterans they will follow the flag. And thus all of us in spirit at least, march with them as they tread the paths of glory.

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GENERAL ORDERS, No. 1, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1919-20. } *Indianapolis, Ind., September 24, 1920.*

I. Having been elected commander in chief by the Fifty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in the Odd Fellow Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

III. The following appointments are hereby announced:

Adjutant general: Mahlon D. Butler, Indianapolis, Ind.

Quartermaster general: Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records: J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.

IV. Further appointments will be announced in future general orders.

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*



GENERAL ORDERS, No. 2, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1920-21. } *Indianapolis, Ind., November 11, 1920.*

I. At the Fifty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Indianapolis, Ind., September 19 to 25, 1920, the following named comrades were duly elected to the offices designated below:

Commander in chief: William A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Senior vice commander in chief: George A. Hosley, Boston, Mass.  
Junior vice commander in chief: Dr. J. E. Gandy, Spokane, Wash.  
Surgeon general: Dr. C. W. Burrill, Kansas City, Mo.  
Chaplain in chief: Rev. William A. Bosworth, Wichita, Kans.

National council of administration:

Alabama, George F. Jackson, Birmingham.  
Arizona, E. S. Godfrey, Cookstown, N. J.  
Arkansas, Cos Altenberg, Little Rock.  
California and Nevada, William H. Noll, Los Angeles.  
Colorado and Wyoming, James E. Jewell, Fort Morgan, Colo.  
Connecticut, Harry L. Beach, Hartford.  
Delaware, William Kelley, Wilmington.  
Florida, M. H. Porter, Kissimmee.  
Georgia and South Carolina, George E. Whitmann, Fitzgerald, Ga.  
Idaho, George F. Kimery, Boise.  
Illinois, John B. Inman, Springfield.  
Indiana, Orlando A. Somers, Kokomo.  
Iowa, J. W. Willett, Tama.  
Kansas, Scott Kelsey, Topeka.  
Kentucky, Americus Whedon, Washington, D. C.  
Louisiana and Mississippi, Basile Ulgere, New Orleans.  
Maine, Alphonzo Rollins, Portland.  
Maryland, John A. Thompson, Baltimore.  
Massachusetts, Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Newton.  
Michigan, H. A. Chapin, Lansing.  
Minnesota, Philip G. Woodward, Anoka.  
Missouri, John M. Williams, California.  
Montana, George H. Taylor, Helena.  
Nebraska, W. H. Stewart, Geneva.  
New Hampshire, Henry L. Harris, Warner.  
New Jersey, Ernest C. Stahl, Trenton.  
New Mexico, John Greenwald, Socorro.  
New York, George A. Price, Brooklyn.  
North Dakota, Pat H. Cummings, Fargo.  
Ohio, John C. Roland, Cleveland.  
Oklahoma, F. E. Hills, Enid.  
Oregon, J. G. Chambers, Portland.  
Pennsylvania, J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda.  
Potomac, John Middleton, Washington, D. C.  
Rhode Island, John A. Medbery, East Providence.  
South Dakota, M. M. Baird, Sturgis.  
Tennessee, Newton Hacker, Jonesboro.  
Texas, Henry W. Nye, Fort Worth.  
Utah, H. W. Charter, Salt Lake City.  
Vermont, J. A. Thwing, Bellows Falls.  
Virginia and North Carolina, H. W. Weiss, Emporia, Va.  
Washington and Alaska, F. H. Hurd, Seattle.  
West Virginia, William Kiely, Charleston.  
Wisconsin, H. R. Bird, Madison.

II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief are hereby announced:

Adjutant general: Mahlon D. Butler, Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Quartermaster general: Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
 Judge advocate general: Thomas S. Hopkins, Washington, D. C.  
 Inspector general: Marshall W. Wood, Boise, Idaho.  
 National patriotic instructor: Smith Stimmel, Fargo, N. Dak.  
 Assistant adjutant general: John H. Holland, Indianapolis.  
 Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records: J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia.  
 Chief of staff: S. G. Harvey, Columbus, Ohio.  
 Senior aid-de-camp: W. H. Comstock, Denver.

III. At a meeting of the national council of administration held at Indianapolis September 24, 1920, it was voted that the executive committee should consist of the commander in chief, senior vice commander in chief, adjutant general, quartermaster general, and seven members of the national council of administration to be appointed by the commander in chief.

In accordance with this action, the executive committee of the national council of administration will be constituted as follows:

Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham, *chairman*.  
 Senior Vice Commander in Chief George A. Hosley.  
 Adjutant General Mahlon D. Butler.  
 Quartermaster General Cola D. R. Stowits.  
 George A. Price, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 J. W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.  
 Philip G. Woodward, Anoka, Minn.  
 John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.  
 Orlando A. Somers, Kokomo, Ind.  
 J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda, Pa.  
 H. R. Bird, Madison, Wis.

IV. Official headquarters are established in Room 207, Statehouse, Indianapolis, where all official communications should be addressed to the adjutant general.

V. The following committees are hereby appointed:

Committee on legislation:

Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich., *chairman*.  
 Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Stanton J. Peelle, Washington, D. C.  
 D. S. Alexander, Buffalo, N. Y.  
 John L. Clem, Washington, D. C.

Committee on rules, regulations, and ritual:

Charles G. Burton, Portland, Oreg., *chairman*.  
 John R. King, Baltimore.  
 Oscar A. Janes, Detroit.  
 E. C. Milliken, Portland, Me.  
 Ed. N. Ketchum, Galveston, Tex.

Committee on Grant centennial:

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, *chairman*.  
 Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich.  
 W. J. Patterson, Pittsburgh.  
 Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo.  
 Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport, Conn.  
 W. S. Matthews, Columbus, Ohio.  
 John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.  
 O. H. Oldroyd, Washington, D. C.  
 E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, Calif.

Committee on testimonial for Past Commander in Chief Hall:

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, *chairman*.  
 Washington Gardner, Albion, Mich.  
 W. S. Matthews, Columbus, Ohio.

VI. Assistant adjutants general must forward all requisitions for supplies, etc., with remittances therefor direct to Comrade Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, 877 Ellicott Square, Buffalo. Drafts, checks, and money orders



should be made payable to him as quartermaster general. All remittances for amounts of less than \$5.00 must be sent in post office money orders.

VII. Department commanders are requested to forward to these headquarters, as soon as possible, the names of comrades whom they desire to recommend for appointment as aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief. They are requested to give the full names of the comrades recommended, their post number, and post-office address, so that notice of appointment may reach them promptly.

The official badge for aids-de-camp is as follows: Rank strap, silver eagle on black enamel field, ribbon composed of the flag with buff border. Following the custom of previous administrations, every aid-de-camp will be required to pay \$1 for his badge and commission, which covers the cost of badge, commission and engrossing, and the necessary printing and postage. If a comrade has a badge, he will pay 50 cents only, to cover cost of commission, engrossing, printing and postage. On receipt of acceptance of appointment and remittance, names of comrades thus accepting will be published in general orders.

Comrades appointed aids-de-camp are expected to be active and energetic in the interests of the order and to give special attention to recruiting.

VIII. Assistant adjutants general are requested to forward promptly to these headquarters notice of the death of any permanent member of the national encampment in their department, with brief sketch of military and Grand Army service, that it may be published in general orders.

IX. The assistant adjutants general of each department is requested to send to these headquarters, without delay, a copy of the department roster and journal of the last department encampment. He is also requested to send to national headquarters all general orders issued in his department.

X. Assistant adjutants general will immediately notify these headquarters of the location of their next department encampment and the approximate date desired.

XI. Department commanders will see that annual reports for the year ending December 31, 1920, are forwarded to these headquarters promptly, with check or money order for the per capita tax, made payable to Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.

XII. The Fifty-fourth National Encampment voted that the per capita tax should be raised to 10 cents a year, payable semiannually. Assistant adjutants general will therefore see that per capita tax due at these headquarters February 1, 1921, is computed at 5 cents for each member in good standing December 31, 1920.

XIII. The selection of place of meeting of the Fifty-fifth National Encampment was left to the incoming administration and the executive committee. It is especially desirable that cities wishing to entertain the Fifty-fifth National Encampment should give prompt official notice so that action thereon may be taken by the executive committee.

XIV. The Fifty-fourth National Encampment adopted the following amendment to the rules and regulations:

Chapter II, Article IV, section 4, amended as follows: Section 4 to read:

"Members of disbanded posts who were in good standing at the time of such dissolution, upon written application to the assistant adjutant general of the department, shall receive from him transfer cards which shall have full force, or at the option of the applicant, providing there is no post in the county in which such member of a disbanded post resides, his name shall be entered upon a roll to be kept by the assistant adjutant general, and known as a Roll of Comrades at Large. Comrades so enrolled shall pay dues semiannually direct to the assistant adjutant general, of 50 cents each, payable on the first days of January and July of each year. The department encampment shall have the right to increase the amount of such dues at any meeting, by resolution duly adopted.

"If the dues of any comrade at large shall remain unpaid for more than 30 days after the same is due, he shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless his dues are paid within 10 days from the date of such notice he will stand suspended from the Grand Army of the Republic until all arrearages are paid. Any comrade at large whose dues remain unpaid for more than one year after the same are due shall be notified by the assistant adjutant general that unless all arrearages are paid within 30 days from the date of such notice he will be dropped from the roll and will no longer be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that he can

only be restored by making a written application to be approved by the department and by the payment of one year's dues."

The provisions of this section shall apply to all comrades who have been, or shall hereafter be, mustered in by the commander in chief or a department commander, as provided in Chapter II, Article II, section 9.

XV. The ritual was amended by changing the response of the senior vice commander to the post commander in the closing ceremonies from "one country and one flag," to "one country, one language, and one flag."

XVI. The following resolutions were adopted by the Fifty-fourth National Encampment:

1. That we thank the authorities and the good people of Indiana and Indianapolis for the splendid manner in which they have so freely extended their hospitality. The commodious streets, the fine buildings, the beautiful women, the attentive and careful policemen, have all contributed to make our visit one long to be remembered. We are especially grateful to the officers and employees of the street railways who have so materially assisted in enabling us to go about the city. As we return to our homes and this encampment becomes a memory, we go with gratitude for what they have done and an earnest prayer that their prosperity may continue.

(The commander in chief, having his attention called to the foregoing resolution, takes the liberty of supplementing it by adding:

"No feature of the encampment added more to the comfort, the convenience and the necessity of the comrades than careful, intelligent, appreciative work of the Boy Scouts. They are worthy to be our successors, and he, as a matter of right and duty, adds this tribute to the action of the encampment.")

2. That we deem the granting of special rates to these encampments, consecrated, as they are, to the cause of patriotism and devoid of selfish interest, as being a graceful recognition of the services which we have tried to render to our country. We tender our sincere thanks to the railroads which have again granted us this valued favor, so faithfully and tactfully sought by our national officers.

3. That the committee that prepared the memorial on the life and death of our late Commander in Chief James D. Bell, be directed to prepare suitable resolutions of condolence and that the incoming administration be directed to have them engrossed and presented to the family of our late comrade.

4. Whereas it appears to this, the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, that the courtesies of the various railroads have in the past and current years been abused in the matter of rates to our national encampments, in that posts, and the auxiliary and affiliated societies have freely received into membership many whose object seems to have been to obtain the reduction in rates only and whose interest in the various organizations have ceased after taking this advantage: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this encampment that in the future no reduction of rates shall be requested from the various railroad lines to our national encampment for members of the auxiliary or affiliated societies for any person or persons who have not been members of such organizations in good standing for at least one year preceding the date of any national encampment.

5. That the more adequate provision made for our needs in declining years, and for the widows of departed comrades, by recent pension legislation, calls for our hearty expression of thanks to Representative Fuller and Senator McCumber, chairmen of Pension Committees in the House and Senate, and to their associates on committees and the members of these bodies who supported the so-called Fuller bill, as well as to President Wilson for his prompt official approval of that measure.

6. Whereas it is a well-known fact that in nearly every State there are many of our comrades and their families who have got beyond the time where they can earn their livelihood and find it almost impossible to get along with simply their pension, and

Whereas several of our States have passed laws to aid these comrades in their distress, which aid is not recognized as charity, but as a debt they



owe to the men who gave the best years of their lives in keeping this Nation a united Republic. Be it

*Resolved*, That the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic heartily indorses the action of the States in passing such laws and most earnestly urges the department commanders of such States as have not yet placed such laws upon their statute books, to take immediate steps to prepare a bill to be presented to the incoming legislatures of their respective States, urging the adoption of such a law as will lighten the heavy load many veterans of the Civil War are called upon to bear in their declining years; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the incoming commander in chief is hereby requested to call special attention to this resolution in General Orders, No. 2—and otherwise, as he may deem proper—urging that the several departments, where such laws do not exist, take immediate action to the end that the aid thus provided, may come to those who need it while they are still living.

7. A resolution memorializing the members of the Geographic Board of the United States to change the name of the mountain in the State of Washington from Mount Rainier—sometimes called Mount Tacoma—to Mount Lincoln.

8. A resolution protesting against the abridgment or mutilation of our national anthem, the Star-Spangled Banner.

9. A resolution providing that at future national encampments no other organizations be allowed to have their headquarters at the hotel at which the national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic is located.

10. A resolution providing that at future national encampments the column of the parade shall include, first, a uniformed escort of Sons of Veterans, not exceeding one hundred in number; second, departments of the Grand Army of the Republic in the order of seniority, excluding from the line of march all persons not members of the order, except the musicians.

11. That at future meetings of the national encampment, in order that the business of the encampment shall not be interrupted during the sessions thereof, a semi official meeting shall be called by general orders of the commander in chief, prior to the sessions of the national encampment, and presided over by the commander in chief, and at such meeting all addresses of welcome and the greetings of our affiliated patriotic organizations shall be presented, and that no visits from representatives of affiliated organizations be permitted at the regular sessions of the encampment.

XVII. Copies of General Orders, No. 1, which were issued to department headquarters only, will not be sent to departments for distribution to posts, as the information contained therein is contained in these general orders.

XVIII. The commander in chief desires to return to his comrades his sincere thanks for and his grateful appreciation of the high honor conferred upon him by the Grand Army of the Republic in its Fifty-fourth National Encampment.

In this connection he deems it not out of place to mention, for the benefit of the comrades who were not privileged to attend, the splendid manner in which the encampment was entertained in this, the city of his birth and his life. The citizens of all classes and conditions vied with one another to make our stay pleasant and our sojourn a memory that will abide with us through the years.

He does not deem it out of place to specify one particular feature of the encampment that impressed itself so deeply on him, and, as he believes, on the visiting comrades and their allies. For the first time in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic, so far as his memory extends, the street railway companies, of this city, extended free service to every member of the Grand Army of the Republic and its associated organizations over the entire 169 miles of travel. They were carried anywhere they desired to go at any hour of the day or night.

He feels that it is not out of place to make special mention of this fact in the hope that at future encampments, other transportation companies in other cities where the encampment may be held, may "go and do likewise."

By command of—

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 3.
SERIES 1920-21.
HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
Indianapolis, Ind., January 20, 1921.

I. The following-named comrades having fully complied with Paragraph VII, General Orders, No. 2, and signified their acceptance, they are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
ALABAMA.			ILLINOIS.		
James H. Rinard.....	4	22 Canal Street, Birmingham.	Edward Henry Harris	28	360 East Garfield Boulevard, Chicago.
George Hoenig.....	1	R. R. No. 1, Cullman.	INDIANA.		
ARIZONA.			John F. Davenport...	55	58 South Twelfth Street, Richmond.
Warren E. Day.....	1	Preseott.	Henry C. Grooms.....	164	145 East Main Street, Danville.
ARKANSAS.			Isaac B. Austen.....	133	Noblesville.
Orison J. Kyler.....	1	2914 Bishop Street, Little Rock.	D. H. McAbee.....	17	127 West Twenty-fourth Street, Indianapolis.
Matthias C. Stouteagle	1	Do.	Ferdinand F. Boltz...	40	I. S. and S. O. Home, Knightstown.
Charles Ramsay.....	1	2321 Summitt Avenue, Little Rock.	John D. Eldred.....	3	1109 Salem Street, Lafayette.
Amos Shields.....	1	105 Spring Street, Little Rock.	L. L. Cooley.....	126	621 Meyer Avenue, Connersville.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			P. A. Bailey.....	146	Box 52, Sharpsville.
S. W. Sutton.....	17	1015 Spurgeon Street, Santa Ana, Calif.	Jerome H. Biddle....	74	Remington.
J. W. Edwards.....	177	National Soldiers' Home, Calif.	T. B. Wilkinson.....	168	Knightstown.
Russell C. Martin.....	6	423 College Street, Los Angeles.	David Wood.....	281	222 East Maryland Street, Indianapolis.
A. J. Vining.....	2	2134 Pine Street, San Francisco.	Thomas E. Ream.....	17	640 East Drive, Woodruff Place, Indianapolis.
CONNECTICUT.			Matthew Geiser.....	120	Boonville.
Julius Augur.....	8	Meriden.	Cyrus Seiler.....	198	615 Marion Street, Elkhart.
COLORADO AND WYOMING.			Edward B. Fish.....	68	Huntingburg.
J. S. LeFever.....	81	Denver.	S. F. Braselton.....	28	Princeton.
Thos. C. Manchester.	14	3351 South Logan Street, Denver.	Charles C. Givens....	284	Lewis.
FLORIDA.			Louis Bir.....	191	New Albany.
E. J. Fringer.....	2	Lynn Haven.	Robert Clarke.....	369	2241 English Avenue, Indianapolis.
C. J. Rose.....	42	Miami.	Abraham Steffey.....	103	Sheridan.
GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.			Solomon Condor.....	2	Brazil.
W. P. Randall.....	1	241 Cameron Street Atlanta, Ga.	Nicholas Zimmer.....	586	R. R. 1, Guilford.
Patrick Ryan.....	14	427 Habersham Street, Savannah, Ga.	E. C. Hansell.....	121	Medaryville.
IDAHO.			S. F. Lockridge.....	11	Greencastle.
Levi Young.....	31	Fayette.	John E. Bickel.....	592	Box 381, Terre Haute.
IOWA.			Ephriam Harrell.....	91	Worthington.
W. H. Easterly.....	88	Clinton.	Durben M. Miller.....	157	Vevay.
William Blades.....	78	Dubuque.	James P. Taylor.....	474	Odon.
J. C. F. Wead.....	105	Washington.	Charles H. Dunihue..	247	Bedford.
J. C. Boice.....	108	Do.	Henry Kramer.....	40	3214 South Calhoun Street, Fort Wayne.
A. H. Buck.....	30	Ames.	Clark E. McDaniel...	29	Marshall.
D. B. Cowles.....	18	Chariton.	B. E. Bear.....	147	Mill Creek.
			F. M. McNair.....	77	Martinsville.
			Theodore H. Ristine..	7	Crawfordsville.
			T. R. Caldwell.....	42	Lebanon, R. R. No. 8.
			Joseph Glover.....	106	Valparaiso.
			John G. Kratli.....	290	Knox.
			Alexander Hess.....	6	Wabash.
			George W. Scarce....	164	Danville.
			M. E. Baylor.....	61	Elwood.
			F. W. Kassebaum....	82	Aurora.
			D. C. Smith.....	260	Plymouth.
			James Stevenson.....	17	5803 East Washington Street, Indianapolis.



Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
INDIANA—Continued.			OHIO.		
William A. Fritsch...	27	619 Third Avenue, Evansville.	Hamlin D. Burch....	71	Newark.
T. B. Thackery.....	64	Brookville.	Samuel S. Styer.....	265	Wadsworth.
John C. Livesey.....	148	New Castle.	A. M. Bowdle.....	158	Piqua.
Bartley Inco.....	123	Rockport.	Emanuel K. Liber....	10	Salem.
Henry L. Trueblood..	209	2505 East St. Clair Street, Indianapo- lis.	Charles Bonsall.....	10	Do.
George W. Steele.....	23	Marion.	J. C. Kline.....	23	Dayton.
Wm. H. H. Shank....	17	6002 East Washing- ton Street, Indian- apolis.	William Roser.....	6	New Philadelphia.
J. A. Frazier.....	203	Tipton.	John W. Wince.....	396	Croton.
Jesse L. Dunning....	125	Ligonier.	Dey Hicks.....	17	Painesville.
Lyman E. Hanna....	78	Muncie.	R. H. Cooper.....	543	Berea.
Martin Staley.....	94	Rising Sun.	Theodore B. Tucker..	15	Toledo.
John W. Sullivan....	72	Washington.	L. N. Conard.....	451	Columbus.
A. S. Creath.....	5	Greensburg.	W. D. Van Warner....	15	Toledo.
Charles Strauch.....	86	Jeffersonville.	OREGON.		
F. M. Huckleberry...	127	Franklin.	Edward H. Thompson	1	Bridal Veil.
A. P. De Bruler.....	16	Vincennes.	Joseph A. Roman....	2	Oregon City.
S. W. Chappell.....	34	Petersburg.	E. Frank Sias.....	69	Hillsboro.
J. A. Clevenger.....	199	North Manchester.	G. W. Wonacott.....	41	Gresham.
Thomas C. Williams..	86	Jeffersonville.	Clayton B. Zeek.....	56	Bandon.
Andrew Anderson....	8	South Bend.	Joseph Myers.....	5	Albany.
William S. Mead.....	93	Spencer.	POTOMAC.		
William Smith.....	26	Madison.	F. J. Young.....	8	Washington, D. C.
Charles W. Scott.....	114	Warsaw.	Abram Myers.....	3	Do.
KANSAS.			Henry A. Johnson....	6	Do.
J. S. Forgey.....	18	Ottawa.	John T. Ryan.....	2	Do.
Charles H. Burrows..	93	Atehison.	RHODE ISLAND.		
William H. McBride..	19	Sterling.	Henry Gardner.....	17	Pawtucket.
John S. Wells.....	251	Harper.	Baylies R. Chase....	10	Providence.
MARYLAND.			Orville L. Dary.....	17	Pawtucket.
George A. Dean.....	2	Frederick.	SOUTH DAKOTA.		
John Branch.....	23	Baltimore.	Henry C. Andrus....	19	Aberdeen.
John Lamden.....	3	Do.	S. Q. Payne.....	-----	Hot Springs.
John T. Williams....	7	Do.	J. C. Hatfield.....	4	Huron.
MICHIGAN.			H. H. Baron.....	10	Sioux Falls, R. R. No. 6.
William T. Kimsey...	460	Saugatuck.	Frank Robbins.....	127	Hot Springs.
D. J. Willson.....	48	Jackson.	Dudley Staats.....	42	Mill Bank.
John A. Miller.....	395	Grand Rapids.	TENNESSEE.		
F. L. Manning.....	48	Jackson.	Samuel Gardner.....	77	Summertown.
J. L. Drake.....	45	Adrian, R. R. S.	Andrew J. Gahagan..	2	Chattanooga.
Edwin R. Havens....	42	Lansing.	VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA.		
G. Van Schelven....	262	Holland.	Moses Warren Wynn.	22	New Bern, N. C.
Frank C. Trowbridge.	384	Detroit.	W. S. Thurber.....	26	Randleman, N. C.
MISSOURI.			M. H. Hirshburg.....	63	National Soldiers' Home, Va.
James H. Reading....	238	Lowry City.	Jacob Robertson....	63	Do.
James F. Bennett....	284	Irondale.	John H. Hoagland....	63	Do.
NEW JERSEY.			William Hamilton....	63	Do.
James H. White.....	1	Soldiers' H o m e , Kearney.	Robert Roberts.....	63	Do.
Joseph C. Cunard....	5	Collingswood.	Cornelius Garvin....	4	Norfolk, Va.
William Vandewater.	23	Trenton.	WASHINGTON AND ALASKA.		
Alexander Thomson..	13	East Orange.	Newton McKee.....	2	Sifton, Wash.
NEW YORK.			John H. Culp.....	105	Wenatchee, Wash.
Joseph O. Mulholland.	546	Cornwall on Hudson.	John H. Miller.....	10	Snohomish, Wash.
Jacob J. Augustin....	106	Rochester.	David Kinkade.....	11	Ellensburg, Wash.
George A. Lent.....	397	Do.	David T. Evans.....	23	Cheney.
Samuel Hodgkinson...	578	New York City.	WISCONSIN.		
John St. C. MacLean..	578	Brooklyn.	E. H. Wilder.....	133	Appleton.

II. The location for the national encampment has not yet been decided on, and due notice will be given as soon as the place is selected.

III. Department commanders are requested to name a comrade for assistant inspector general of his department, and send same to Insp. Gen. Marshall W. Wood, Boise, Idaho, who will, if approved by him, forward the name to these headquarters for appointment by the commander in chief.

IV. With sorrow the commander in chief announces the death of Past Department Commander Philip G. Woodward, at his home in Anoka, Minn., January 2, 1921.

In the war he served for three years in the Thirty-sixth Massachusetts. In peace he served the Grand Army as Department Commander of Minnesota in 1910 and for many years served with fidelity on the council of administration and as a member of the executive committee. His death brings a loss to the Grand Army that will be felt during the coming years.

To his feet we bring this tribute—  
 'There honor comes a pilgrim gray,  
 To bless the turf that wraps his clay,  
 And freedom shall awhile repair  
 To dwell a weeping hermit there.'

V. On recommendation of the Department Commander of Minnesota, Comrade William H. Harries, of Minneapolis, is appointed a member of the national council of administration.

VI. Comrade John C. Roland, Cleveland, Ohio, is appointed a member of the national executive committee, succeeding Comrade Phillip G. Woodward. By command of—

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*

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### INFORMATION WANTED.

Comrade George M. Bowker, 14 Highland Street, Concord Junction, Mass., desires to communicate with any comrades who served either on the gunboat *Crusader* or the *Itasca*, during the War of the Rebellion.

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GENERAL ORDERS, No. 4, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1920-21. } *Indianapolis, Ind., March 29, 1921.*

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## IN MEMORIAM.

Death has laid heavy hands and exacted large toll from the Grand Army within the last few months, and it is altogether fitting and proper that we pause a moment to pay a tribute of respect to their memory and commend to one another their services and devotion in peace and war, to the interest of the country for which in their young lives they undertook to offer the last full measure of devotion and in their riper years have added so much to the traditions of the Nation in their lives, public and private.

### I.

John E. Gilman was born in South Boston, December 22, 1844. While still under legal age, in the summer of 1862, he enlisted in Col. Fletcher Webster's regiment, the Twelfth Massachusetts, with which, except for a short time when on detached duty with a battery, he served until his discharge on account of wounds received, in October, 1863.

Service with the Army of the Potomac from August, 1862, to July, 1863, was crowded with events, many glorious and many tragic. The Second Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg tell a story in this Nation that neither we nor coming generations will ever forget. With the loss of his good right arm at Gettysburg, on the second day of that battle, his chances in war came to an untimely end, but the love of his country and its flag that induced him to take that chance of life and death in battle abided with him through all his remaining days.

Not less than on the field of battle for his country did he, in hours of peace, serve the Nation and the community in which he lived. Joining the Grand Army in 1868, in the post named for his State's beloved governor, he filled in turn every high office in the post, department, and national encampments, being elected commander in chief at Atlantic City in 1910. His service many times on the committee on resolutions was of great benefit to his comrades.

He died in Boston on the 20th of February, 1921. He leaves surviving him the wife of his youth and two sons. His widow has long been prominent in the great auxiliary to the Grand Army, and our hearts go out to her and them in this, their hour of affliction. "Lord, keep his memory green."

These men in their day and generation faithfully served the country in its hour of need, and later in its hour of prosperity. The world is better because they have lived, and their death is a loss to us and their respective communities.

1. Comrade A. G. Negley, past department commander of Alabama, died at his home in Florence, Ala., February 24, 1921, aged 86 years. He enlisted in April, 1861, and served until December 30, 1863, on the staff of his uncle, Gen. James S. Negley, ranking as major. He was elected department commander in 1905.

2. Charles A. Mange, past department commander of Alabama, died at Aniston, Ala., July 12, 1920, aged 75 years. He enlisted in the Ninth New York Battery, January 1, 1862, and was discharged from the Sixth New York Battery January 1, 1865. Was elected department commander in 1915.

3. Comrade Albert H. Soekland, past commander of the Department of Arkansas, died January 24, 1920, aged 76 years. He enlisted in Company C, Sixty-third Indiana Volunteers, May 13, 1861, and was discharged May 3, 1865. Was elected department commander in 1897.

4. Comrade William H. H. Clayton, past commander of the Department of Arkansas, died December 14, 1920, aged 80 years. He entered the service as second lieutenant in the One hundred and twenty-fourth Pennsylvania Volunteers, August 15, 1862, and was mustered out May 16, 1863. Was elected department commander in 1891.

5. Comrade William H. Aiken, past department commander of California and Nevada, died at Sawtelle, Calif., September 11, 1919, aged 75 years. He enlisted in Company B, Forty-fourth Wisconsin Infantry, and was mustered out August 28, 1865. Was elected department commander in 1873.

6. Comrade George D. Kellogg, commander of the Department of California and Nevada, died in office February 22, 1921, at New Castle, Calif., aged 77 years. He enlisted August 6, 1862, in Company A, Twenty-third Wisconsin Infantry, for three years. Most of his service was in the Thirteenth and Sixteenth Army Corps. During the siege of Vicksburg, he was under fire for six weeks, and for distinguished service in that siege was brevetted captain by Gov. Fairchild, of Wisconsin. Was elected department commander in 1920.

7. Comrade Harrison S. Vaughn, past commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died at Denver, Colo., November 25, 1920, aged 75 years. He enlisted December 22, 1863, as a private in Company A, Eighth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, was wounded at the Battle of Cold Harbor, resulting in the loss of his right arm, and was discharged November 29, 1864. Was elected department commander in 1903.

8. Comrade Dexter T. Stapp, past commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died September 5, 1920, at Denver, Colo., aged 73 years. In 1864 he enlisted in the First Michigan Cavalry, serving until the close of the war. Was elected department commander in 1911.

9. Comrade William H. Blake, past commander of the Department of Delaware, died August 27, 1920, aged 80 years. He served as engineer on the U. S. steamer *Mingo* during the last years of the war. Was elected department commander in 1909.

10. Comrade A. M. Rowe, past commander of the Department of Idaho, died August 2, 1920. He served as sergeant of Company A, First Ohio Light Artillery. Was elected department commander in 1907.

11. Comrade Lot Abraham, past commander of the Department of Iowa, died June 29, 1920. He enlisted September 28, 1861, in Company D, Fourth Iowa Cavalry, as first sergeant, and mustered out as captain August 8, 1865. Was elected department commander in 1911.

12. Comrade James M. Greenfield, past commander, Department of Michigan, died at Flushing, Mich., September 12, 1920, aged 79 years. Was elected department commander in 1909.

13. Comrade Frederick S. Walls, past commander of the Department of Maine, died at his home, Vinalhaven, Me., March 16, 1921, aged 77 years. He served as corporal in Company B, Twenty-sixth Maine Infantry. Was elected department commander in 1906.

14. Comrade William F. Medsker, past commander of the Department of Indiana, died at Cambridge City, Ind., February 3, 1921. He served in the Forty-second and Seventy-fifth Indiana Regiments, both of which were assigned to the Fourteenth Army Corps. Was elected department commander in 1919.

15. Comrade Daniel Waugh, past commander of the Department of Indiana, died at Tipton, Ind., March 14, 1921, aged 79 years. During the war he enlisted in Company A, Thirty-fourth Indiana Infantry, which saw service in the Army of Tennessee and the Army of the Gulf. Was elected commander in 1911.

16. Comrade C. B. Miller, past department commander of Montana, died December 12, 1920. He entered the service April 19, 1861, in the Seventh Indiana Infantry, resigning as assistant surgeon of the Sixteenth Indiana Infantry April 8, 1865. Was elected commander in 1899.

17. Comrade Lee Estell, past commander of the Department of Nebraska, died October 10, 1920, at Omaha, Nebr., aged 74 years. He enlisted in the Navy and his service was in the Mississippi Squadron until his discharge in June, 1865. Was elected commander in 1903.



18. Comrade Joseph S. Hoagland, past commander of the Department of Nebraska, died July 31, 1920, at North Platte, Nebr., aged 73 years. He served as department commander in 1918.

19. Comrade John E. Evans, past commander, Department of Nebraska, died December 27, 1920, at North Platte, Nebr. He served as a private in Company I, First Wisconsin Cavalry. Was elected department commander in 1899.

20. Comrade Albert M. Trimble, past commander of the Department of Nebraska and past adjutant general, died at his home in Lincoln, Nebr., March 11, 1921, aged 81 years. He enlisted as a private in Company K, Ninety-third Illinois Infantry, August 15, 1862, and was mustered out sergeant major June 23, 1865. Was elected department commander in 1911 and appointed adjutant general in 1918.

21. Comrade Joseph Teeter, past commander of the Department of Nebraska, died March 2, 1921, at McCook, Nebr., aged 79 years. He enlisted in Company I, Thirty-fourth Illinois Infantry, September 7, 1861, and was made captain and mustered out July 12, 1865. Served as department commander in 1891.

22. Comrade James Munro Atwood, past commander of the Department of New Jersey, died at Chelsea, Mass., July 22, 1920, aged 83 years. Comrade Atwood enlisted as a private in Company A, Forty-fourth Massachusetts Infantry, August 29, 1862, and was discharged June 16, 1863. Was elected department commander in 1894.

23. Comrade David B. McLain, department commander of North Dakota, died in office at his home in Jamestown, N. Dak., December 14, 1920, aged 75 years. He served three enlistments during the Civil War, in the Seventy-eighth, One hundred and fourth, and One hundred and forty-third Ohio Volunteers. He was taken ill while in attendance at the national encampment at Indianapolis.

24. Comrade A. D. Higgins, past commander of the Department of New Mexico, died November 24, 1920, at his home in Las Vegas, N. Mex., aged 75 years. He served in Company G, One hundred and fourteenth Illinois Infantry, for three years. Was elected department commander in 1911.

25. Comrade George W. Fletcher, past commander of the Department of Oklahoma, died at his home in Dover, Okla., November 29, 1920. He served during the Civil War in Company K, Twenty-fourth Missouri Infantry. Served as department commander in 1914.

26. Comrade Henry J. Pickersgill, past department commander of Rhode Island and assistant adjutant general, died at his home in Providence, R. I., March 12, 1921, aged 76 years. He served in the First Regiment of the New York National Guards, and was assigned to the first division of the Third Corps and placed in front of Richmond. After his release from Libby Prison he enlisted in the Sixteenth Massachusetts and served until the end of the war. Was elected department commander in 1915.

### III.

In January 2,383 and in February 2,040 of the boys who carried muskets or swung swords in the Great War went to their long homes. Their names appeared in their country's history, and although we do not here or now mention or describe them, we deplore their loss and remember what they did in "the days that tried men's souls."

By command of—

Official:

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 5, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1920-21. } *Indianapolis, Ind., April 28, 1921.*

### MEMORIAL DAY.

1. Pursuant to rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, Monday, May 30, will be observed as Memorial Day.

2. By order of the national encampment as an essential part of the services of the day, there will be read Gen. Logan's General Order No. 11, of May 5, 1868:

GENERAL ORDERS, HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
No. 11. *Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.*

I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and those bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains and their deaths a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free and undivided Republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remains to us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with the choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us a sacred charge upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By command of—

JOHN A. LOGAN,  
*Commander in Chief.*

N. P. CHIPMAN,  
*Adjutant General.*



and the touching poem of patriotism in prose pronounced by the martyred President at Gettysburg:

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S ADDRESS AT GETTYSBURG NOVEMBER 19, 1863.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate, we can not consecrate, we can not hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion, that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain, that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

3. As year after year rolls over our heads, we are the more impressed with the sacredness of this beautiful ceremony. "Age doth not wither nor custom stale."

How sleep the brave who sink to rest,  
By all their country's wishes blessed,  
When Spring with dewy fingers cold  
Returns to deck their hallowed mold,  
She there will dress a sweeter sod  
Than fancy's feet have ever trod.

By fairy hands their knell is rung,  
By forms unseen their dirge is sung.  
Their honor comes a pilgrim gray  
To bless the turf that wraps their clay.  
And freedom shall awhile repair,  
To dwell a weeping hermit there.

4. In 1868 we were young and vigorous, few in numbers, increasing day by day, but, with the hopefulness of youth, looking forward to an assured future. To-day, with rapidly diminishing numbers, we dwell upon the glories of the past and with throbbing hearts pay tribute to the great host that has gone before and whose ranks we shall, alas, too soon join.

5. At 12 m. let the bells toll a requiem for the dead; the flags be placed at half-mast; and every comrade stand with uncovered head for five minutes, fitting tributes to the memory of those who have gone before.

6. Let every grave of every comrade in every cemetery throughout the land be garlanded with flowers in touching remembrance of the glorious past.

7. From the banks of our streams let flowers be cast upon the waters whose fragrance as sweet incense shall be borne toward the seas upon which our comrades of the Navy rendered such immortal service.

8. Let Sunday, May 29, be devoted in all our churches to services commemorative of and preparatory to the exercises to be held the next day.

9. So far as possible, on some day during the week beginning May 23, let patriotic exercises be held by delegations from the posts to the schools in your localities so that the rising generation may have borne in upon their minds the great boon that Memorial Day represents to them and succeeding generations.

10. Let the soldiers of all wars be formally invited to participate in your exercises to the end that they may fully appreciate that it was by and through your service and your sacrifices that they were privileged to do for the world what you had the opportunity to do for the land you loved.

11. Finally, comrades, on all these days that we are to celebrate, let all our acts be done with loving hearts and reverent souls, fitting tribute to those who have gone before and among whose names our names will be enrolled in the not far distant future.

By command of—

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*



GENERAL ORDERS, No. 6, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1920-21. } *Indianapolis, Ind., July 30, 1291.*

I. The Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Indianapolis during the week beginning September 25, 1921. Headquarters will be temporarily established at the Severin Hotel.

II. The Central Passenger Association has accorded a rate of 1 cent per mile for the comrades, their wives, widows, or dependent members of the family, and for Army nurses. All other organizations attending the encampment will be required to pay a fare and a half for a round-trip ticket. Every passenger association, with the exception of the New England Passenger Association, has accorded the same rate as the Central Passenger Association.

III. The commander in chief, being of the opinion that an explanation is due (a) as to the location of the encampment, and (b) as to rates, makes the following statement:

(a) We had received a very satisfactory invitation from Portland, Me., which was tentatively accepted, the executive committee being of the opinion that that would be an ideal place for the holding of a national encampment; but upon application to the New England Passenger Association, it was found that no concession as to rates could be obtained, and for that reason that location was abandoned. We then received an invitation from Springfield, Mass., which was regarded by us as an exceedingly desirable place; but upon application to the Trunk Line Association, we succeeded only in obtaining a 1-cent rate for the boys and a fare and a half for all other organizations up to the New England line, from which points the regular rates would be required, and for that reason Springfield was given up. The effort was then made to ascertain some other desirable locality, but without avail, and it either had to come to Indianapolis or be given up, and so Indianapolis was selected.

(b) The rates. Of the entire membership of the Grand Army, approximately 13 per cent reside in New England, 27 per cent west of the Mississippi, and 60 per cent between the line of New England and the Mississippi River, and under the circumstances it was deemed necessary to locate the encampment somewhere within the territory of the Central Passenger Association.

We felt that it was hardly fair to our auxiliary and the allied organizations to require them to submit to a \$5.83 rate while the boys traveled on a \$2.16 rate, and we made every effort with the passenger associations to reduce the rate to our auxiliary and allied organizations, even if it became necessary to increase it somewhat on the comrades themselves; but we found the associations obdurate, and we had to accept what we could get.

IV. Mr. Edgar M. Heaton, 1415 Merchants Bank Building, Indianapolis, is chairman of hotels committee, to whom should be referred all requests for hotel accommodations.

V. Newton J. McGuire, room 9, Courthouse, Indianapolis, is chairman of the housing committee. Requests for rooms should be made to him at the above address.

Further information will be given in future orders.

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 7, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1920-21. } *Indianapolis, Ind., July 30, 1921.*

## IN MEMORIAM.

ORLANDO A. SOMERS.

It is again our sad duty to announce—

“The muffled drum’s sad roll has beat  
The soldier’s last tattoo.”

Orlando A. Somers, a past commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, was gathered to his Fathers at his home in Kokomo, Ind., Thursday, June 9, 1921.

In the heyday of his youth, he carried a musket for 37 months in Company D, Thirty-ninth Indiana Infantry. Following the war he was many times signally honored by his fellow citizens and his comrades. As secretary and president of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, with which he so long and bravely served; as post commander of T. J. Harrison Post No. 30, Department of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic for many years; as department commander of the Department of Indiana in 1909-10; as commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1917-18; in the many positions in civil life to which he was elected by his friends and neighbors, and appointed by the President of the United States, he graced and honored the positions he was called upon so often to fill.

His comrades, his neighbors, the community, the State in which he lived, will miss his invaluable counsel, service, and assistance.

The rays of the setting sun in the beautiful cemetery of Kokomo, in which he was laid away on the 11th, were a fitting accompaniment to the taps that mournfully told of the end that had come to him.

“There honor comes a pilgrim gray  
To bless the turf that wraps his clay,  
And freedom shall a whole repair  
To dwell a weeping hermit there.”

He rests in peace.

Comrade John H. Holland, assistant adjutant general of the Grand Army of the Republic, died at his home in Indianapolis, Ind., May 10, 1921, aged 75 years. He served in the Ninth Indiana Cavalry during the war, and was a splendid soldier. The Grand Army has lost a faithful and efficient comrade.

Comrade Henry C. Watson, past commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died at Long Beach, Calif., Friday, April 1, 1921, aged 80 years. He served in Company B, Nineteenth Pennsylvania Regiment, and in Company B, Sixth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was mustered out at the close of the war as a corporal in said company and regiment. He served as department commander in 1908.

Comrade Edwin N. Armstrong, past department commander of Illinois, died at his home in Peoria, Ill., July 27, 1921.

Comrade Edwin T. Gipson, commander of the Department of Louisiana and Mississippi, died at his home in New Orleans, April 27, 1921, aged 80 years. He served during the war as first lieutenant in Company I, One hundred and thirty-fourth Indiana Infantry; was department commander in 1917, 1918, and 1920.



Comrade Howard N. Singleton, past commander of the Department of Louisiana and Mississippi, died at his home in Vicksburg, Miss., November 24, 1920, aged 75 years. He served in Company M, Fifth United States Cavalry, Heavy Artillery; was elected senior vice commander of the department in 1919, and on the resignation of the department commander, was advanced to that office.

Comrade Charles S. Warren, past commander of the Department of Montana, died at his home in Butte, Mont., April 13, 1921, aged 74 years. He served as sergeant in Company A, One hundred and forty-seventh Illinois Infantry; was department commander in 1886.

Comrade William H. Harries, past commander of the Department of Minnesota, and member of the national council of administration, died in Seattle, Wash., July 23. He served as department commander in 1901.

Comrade Wallace R. Kelly, past commander of the Department of Oklahoma, died at Guthrie, Okla., May 28, 1921. He served in Company D, Sixth Kansas Volunteer Cavalry; was commander of the department in 1912.

Comrade Albert Reeves, past commander of the Department of Oklahoma, died at Tulsa, Okla.

Comrade Wilberforce Jones, past commander of the Department of Oklahoma, died at Stillwater, Okla.

Comrade Ernest C. Stahl, past department commander of New Jersey, died at Trenton, N. J., June 24, 1921, age 78 years. He served as a private in the Seventh New York Volunteers and the Third New Jersey Battery. He served as commander of the department of New Jersey in 1896 and was a member of the national council of administration at the time of his death.

Comrade Daniel Webster, past commander of the Department of Oregon, died at his home in Salem, Oreg., March 6, 1921, age 87 years. He enlisted as second lieutenant in the First Wisconsin Battery; promoted to its command, and discharged July 18, 1865; elected commander of the department in 1919.

Comrade E. P. Brown, past commander of the Department of Texas, died at Fort Worth, Tex., May 4, 1921. He served in Company D, Thirty-ninth Missouri Infantry; was department commander in 1912.

Comrade Charles Simeon Blodgett, past commander of the Department of South Dakota, died at his home in Rapid City, S. Dak., April 28, 1921. He served his country in Company A, Second New Hampshire Infantry, and Company F, Sixteenth New Hampshire Infantry; was department commander in 1915.

Comrade Nathan A. Heath, past commander of the Department of Utah, died at his home in Ogden, Utah, March 1, 1921, aged 76 years. He served in Company A, Second Wisconsin Volunteers. He was a member of the famous Iron Brigade; was department commander in 1914.

Comrade C. T. Patterson, past commander of the Department of Washington and Alaska, died at his home in Tacoma, Wash., April 22, 1921. He served his country during the Civil War, in Company G, Seventh Michigan Cavalry; was commander of the department in 1896.

Comrade E. A. Shores, a past commander of Wisconsin, and transferred from that department to the Department of Washington and Alaska, died in Ashland, Wis., April 18, 1921. He served during the Civil War from 1861 to 1865; was department commander in 1893.

Comrade William A. Wyse, past commander of the Department of Wisconsin, died at his home in Reedsburg, Wis., February 21, 1921, aged 76 years. He enlisted in Company K, First Wisconsin Infantry, and in Company K, of the Thirteenth Wisconsin, serving four years and three months; was elected department commander in 1917.

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant general.*

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 8. } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1920-21. }

Indianapolis, Ind, July 30, 1921.

I. The following comrades having complied with the necessary requirements are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
ALABAMA.			MASSACHUSETTS—CON.		
Louis Marschall.....	26	Mobile.	Fernando Miles.....	186	Arlington Heights.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			George W. Corey.....	168	Southbridge.
T. W. Lincoln.....	181	Long Beach.	Richmond L. Weston	94	Canton.
COLORADO AND WYOMING.			William H. Benjamin.	81	Watertown.
R. Q. Tennen.....	7	Fort Collins.	John D. Edgell.....	116	Gardner.
GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.			Emery E. Larrabee...	5	Lynn.
Robert S. Siminons...	9	Dale.	Jason B. Hersey.....	74	Rockland.
ILLINOIS.			I. Otis Willey.....	5	Lynn.
James M. Russell.....	442	Soldiers' Home, Quincy.	Nathan C. Underwood	141	Harwich.
James Squire.....	442	Carrollton.	Cecil E. Bartlett.....	41	Westfield.
INDIANA.			E. Hiram S. Pearson..	23	Boston.
Jacob Snyder.....	152	Cannelton.	George E. Dailey.....	14	Hopkinton.
IOWA.			Robert L. Frampton.	121	Hyde Park.
W. G. Eichelberger...	100	Bloomfield.	Henry E. Wright.....	.....	Somerville.
William F. Gilbert....	.....	Burlington.	Albert I. Gilman.....	185	Lowell.
S. S. Westgate.....	141	Iowa Falls.	M. C. Bailey.....	83	Hanover.
J. H. McFarland.....	18	Chariton.	Harvey A. Kellogg...	156	Everett.
Orlando S. Hartman..	452	Marshalltown; P. O., Des Moines, 2220 Walnut Street.	George W. Moore.....	191	Brookline.
Albert Cooper.....	40	Oskaloosa.	E. C. Crocker.....	117	Medfield.
KANSAS.			Albert A. Nickerson..	35	Reading.
Van Buren Fisher....	92	Seneca.	Benjamin A. Ham....	2	Boston.
Ambrose W. Geer....	92	Do.	Henry C. Mears.....	.....	Lynn.
J. A. Hewitt.....	130	Hiawatha.	J. Murray Atwood....	35	Plymouth.
MARYLAND.			Aivah Heald.....	53	Leominster.
Joseph R. Boyd.....	6	Baltimore.	Theron M. Kelly.....	94	Canton.
MASSACHUSETTS.			George Rouillard.....	56	Revere.
Luther W. Bixby....	26	Boston.	Henry A. Thomas....	26	Roxbury.
Charles S. Houghton	53	Leominster.	Lucius E. Heath.....	22	Milford.
Samuel Brookings...	49	Newburyport.	Hiram T. Balch.....	49	Newburyport.
Edward G. Frothingham.....	47	Haverhill.	Eugene M. Libby....	5	Lynn.
Henri Batchelder.....	.....	Everett.	William Formean....	169	Norwood.
Henry M. Saunders...	19	Fitchburg.	Frederick S. McCausland.	113	Belmont.
Frederic E. Sprague..	5	East Lynn.	James H. Greene.....	2	Brookline.
Elisha E. Rollins....	121	Hyde Park.	William A. Arnold...	185	Lowell.
John H. Dusseault...	139	Somerville.	MICHIGAN.		
John J. Byrne.....	5	Lynn.	C. C. Phillips.....	19	Bangor.
Joshua S. Gray.....	74	Rockland.	Frederick Gill.....	38	Saginaw.
Henry S. Bunton.....	121	Boston.	George D. Freeman...	43	Detroit.
Alfred G. Sanborn....	143	Brookline.	MISSOURI.		
John H. Harper.....	74	Rockland.	O. H. Guffin.....	8	Kansas City.
George W. Pratt.....	72	Stoughton.	Joseph Lieber.....	240	Boonville.
			MONTANA.		
			John Coogrove.....	8	Dillon.
			NEBRASKA.		
			S. P. Howland.....	81	Juniata.
			Ozro B. Foster.....	98	Broken Bow.
			J. M. Hill.....	140	St. Edwards.
			Thomas M. Carter....	52	Blair
			William Balfour.....	24	Newhaka, R. R. No. 2.
			J. H. Sacrider.....	10	David City.
			Harvey W. Hewitt...	354	Burkett.
			Gus D. Robison.....	193	Plainview.
			H. R. Beachell.....	38	Waverly.
			Freeman Merryman..	1	Kearney.
			Thomas Moore.....	207	McCook.
			T. B. Johnson.....	44	Aurora.



Name.	Post.	Address.	Name.	Post.	Address.
NEBRASKA—contd.			PENNSYLVANIA—con.		
M. G. Merrell.....	23	Central City.	A. D. Hutchinson....	87	Allentown.
Henry H. Woods.....	34	Schuyler.	S. H. Kasley.....	25	Lester.
C. H. Burnett.....	22	Geneva.	Howard Abrams.....	334	Philadelphia, 4819 Duffield Street.
J. C. Fletcher.....	35	Beatrice.	John C. Gerbig.....	309	Chambersburg.
T. S. Crosley.....	339	Mason City.	Charles P. Deininger.	114	Philadelphia, 2119 Master Street.
W. J. Farris.....	42	Albion.	James Spencer.....	2	Philadelphia, 1840 North Thirteenth Street.
L. B. Musselman.....	109	Norfolk.	Joseph Frederiek.....	567	Wyoming.
C. W. Meeker.....	21	Syracuse.	Henry Wireman.....	22	Danville.
E. A. Parmalee.....	110	Omaha.	Diton Phelps.....	124	East Smithfield.
C. A. Strawn.....	66	Humboldt.	John B. Fletcher.....	8	Philadelphia, 2023 West Boston Ave- nue.
NEW YORK.			Joseph L. Chapman..	139	Seranton.
James B. Williams....	455	Rochester.	John A. Mason.....	139	Hazleton.
OHIO.			Jonah Yoder.....	64	South Williamsport
Chester B. Fletcher...	299	Covington.	A. Tilson Dalzell....	3	Wilkinsburg.
George W. Butt.....	299	Do.	Charles A. Kershner..	23	Pottsville.
C. H. Horton.....	17	Painesville.	Thomas M. Green- wood.	.....	Reading, 602 Binga- mon.
A. W. Green.....	202	Lima.	RHODE ISLAND.		
OKLAHOMA.			Samuel A. Whelden..	1	East Providence.
Newton Reetor.....	12	Hennessey.	SOUTH DAKOTA.		
Nathan B. Easton....	7	Stillwater.	William W. Sly.....	7	Yankton.
J. Q. Adamson.....	10	Edmond.	Walter H. Carr.....	7	Do.
I. W. Scherich.....	19	Enid.	Anton Veling.....	7	Do.
OREGON.			Fred Donaldson.....	7	Do.
Ed. A. Kreamer.....	7	Eugene.	James Davidson.....	7	Do.
Albert Loughbridge..	10	Salem.	J. E. Lalrie.....	159	Boland.
PENNSYLVANIA.			A. M. Woolsey.....	42	Milbank.
Henry Fitzgerald.....	59	MeKeesport.	J. E. Labrie.....	159	Doland.
John R. Steele.....	167	Oil City.	E. L. Hurlbut.....	28	Rapid City.
Joseph E. Raphun....	114	Philadelphia, 3005 Poplar Street.	Jesse Shriner.....	8	Vermillion.
George W. Riehers...	51	Philadelphia, 2006 East Dauphin Street.	TENNESSEE.		
Philip Conway.....	5	Philadelphia, 1600 South Street.	James Turner.....	22	Chattanooga.
Harry S. Watson.....	58	Harrisburg, 1803 North Third Street.	H. E. Pond.....	1	Nashville National Cemetery, Madi- son.
George I. Rudolph....	88	South Pittsburgh, 1907 Morrell Street.	B. J. Williams.....	86	Memphis, 633 North Fifth Street.
I. N. Beighley.....	180	Uniontown.	P. W. Evans.....	97	Kingston.
James L. Henry.....	51	Philadelphia, 1565 East Hewson Street.	J. T. Wolverton.....	7	Adamsville.
N. B. Middlesworth..	355	McClure.	J. W. Vernon.....	3	Binghampton.
H. H. Spayd.....	17	Minersville.	J. N. Hill.....	.....	Rockwood.
George G. Kayan.....	77	Philadelphia, 442 West Norris Street.	J. N. Gaby.....	34	Morristown.
Charles O. Ellis.....	187	Carbondale.	Andrew D. Clark....	100	P. O. Los Angeles, Calif., 1342 Shatto.
A. C. Miller.....	31	West Chester.	TEXAS.		
George F. Luther.....	242	Brookville.	James H. Short.....	9	Houston, 2415 Ham- ilton Street.
Jacob Herzog.....	84	Laneaster.	VERMONT.		
Alfred Stanger.....	55	Philadelphia, 4667 Griseom Street.	George H. Waldron...	43	Springfield.
George D. Runk.....	179	Clearfield.	John D. Hanrahan...	14	Rutland.
			C. H. Cota.....	2	St. Alban.

II. Comrade William H. Noll, member of the national council of administration from California and Nevada, has resigned, and Comrade Charles F. Derby, of Post No. 55, Los Angeles, is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy.

III. Comrade William O. Allen, of Newark, N. J., is hereby appointed a member of the national council of administration, vice Comrade Ernest C. Stahl, deceased.

IV. On the nomination of the inspector general, the following comrades have been appointed assistant inspectors general :

Alabama : E. F. Quinn, Post No. 1, Birmingham.  
 Arizona : Andrew Christian, Post No. —, Phoenix.  
 Arkansas : A. L. Cooper, Post No. —, Mammoth Springs.  
 Colorado and Wyoming : James D. Mandeville, Post No. 7, Fort Collins, Colo.  
 Delaware : Jesse K. Baylis, Post No. 23, Wilmington.  
 Georgia and South Carolina : A. M. Crosby, Post No. 1, Smyrna, Ga.  
 Idaho : T. J. Leeson, Nampa.  
 Illinois : E. J. Ingersoll, Post No. 297, Carbondale.  
 Indiana : J. W. F. Thomas, Post No. 31, Delphi.  
 Kentucky : John S. Mavity, Post No. —, Vanceburg.  
 Maine : Stephen P. Libby, Post No. 101, Gorham.  
 Maryland : John H. Brandt, Post No. 8, Baltimore.  
 Massachusetts : Henry A. Monk, Post No. 87, South Braintree.  
 Michigan : Albert R. Carr, Post No. 35, South Haven.  
 Minnesota : Calvin R. Fix, Post No. 4, Minneapolis.  
 Montana : J. H. Miller, Post No. 3, Boulder.  
 Nebraska : O. C. Bell, Post No. 25, Lincoln.  
 New Hampshire : Andros B. Jones, Post No. 7, Nashua.  
 New Jersey : Alvah A. Knowles, Post No. 1, Soldiers' Home.  
 North Dakota : Samuel Townson, Post No. —, Fargo.  
 Oregon : A. C. Sloan, Post No. 1, Portland.  
 Ohio : William H. Busaard, Post No. 23, Dayton.  
 Oklahoma : I. Grecian, Post No. 40, Shawnee.  
 Pennsylvania : H. E. Paine, Post No. 139, Scranton, Pa.  
 Potomac : John W. Reid, Post No. 2, Washington, D. C.  
 Tennessee : Alex. Gekel, Post No. —, Knoxville.  
 Texas : L. C. Heil, Post No. 3, San Antonio.  
 Vermont : Charles Ross, Post No. 1, St. Johnsbury.  
 Virginia and North Carolina : M. N. Hirshburg, Post No. 63, National Soldiers' Home.  
 Washington and Alaska : J. E. Stewart, Post No. 8, Spokane.  
 Wisconsin : George O. Pietzsch, Post No. —, Monroe.

By command of—

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official :

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*



GENERAL ORDERS, No. 9, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
SERIES 1920-21. } *Indianapolis, Ind., September 5, 1921.*

I. The Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Indianapolis September 25 to 29, 1921.

It is hardly necessary to set forth the tribulations of the past year, before we could find a location; this will be more fully explained in the report of the commander in chief.

II. Temporary headquarters will be established in room 501, Severin Hotel.

III. Detailed program of meetings and entertainment may be secured from the local committee on arrival in Indianapolis.

IV. All of the passenger associations have granted a railroad rate of 1 cent per mile each way for members of the Grand Army of the Republic, their wives and dependents, and for all allied organizations a fare and a half for the round trip, based on the certificate plan. Certificates have been mailed to the assistant adjutant general of each department, to whom the comrades should make application. Tickets are good for 30 days, stopover privileges being allowed on application to conductor, either going or returning. Tickets on sale in all passenger associations from September 22 to 28, except the Transcontinental Association, and in their territory September 20, 21, and 22, inclusive. Grand Army comrades will not be required to have their tickets validated, but all who pay the fare and a half will have their tickets validated in Indianapolis.

V. Special patriotic services will be held in the churches of Indianapolis, Sunday, September 25, to which all comrades and members of the auxiliary and allied organizations are invited.

VI. (a) The executive committee of the national council of administration will meet at headquarters, room 501, Severin Hotel, at 4 p. m., Monday, September 26.

(b) The national council of administration will meet at headquarters in the Severin Hotel at 2 p. m., on Monday, September 28.

(c) The committee on credentials, consisting of Comrades Mahlon D. Butler, adjutant general; M. S. Crawford, Colorado; S. P. Town, Pennsylvania; Henry Spaulding, Michigan; Albert J. Ball, Indiana; W. A. Wetherbee, Massachusetts; J. A. Watrous, Wisconsin, will meet at national headquarters, room 207, Statehouse, at 10 a. m., Monday, September 26.

VII. The semiofficial meeting and reception will be held on Monday evening, September 26, at Tomlinson Hall, at 7.30 p. m.

VIII. A general reception by the ladies of the auxiliary and allied organizations will be held at headquarters and in the governor's parlors at 8.30 p. m., Tuesday, September 27.

IX. The parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place Wednesday afternoon, September 28, at 4 o'clock. Formation and route of the parade will be announced in later general orders.

X. A general campfire will be held on Wednesday evening, September 28, at 8 o'clock, in Tomlinson Hall.

XI. Department commanders are requested to notify the adjutant general immediately on receipt of these orders of the probable time of arrival of their respective departments in Indianapolis, the location of their department headquarters, and, so far as possible, the probable number who will attend the encampment.

XII. Department commanders or their representatives and all national aids will report to the chief of staff at national headquarters, Tuesday, September 27, at 5 p. m., for instructions concerning the parade.

XIII. Comrades George A. Price, J. W. Willett, and John B. Inman are hereby appointed a committee to audit the books of the quartermaster general. They will report to the council of administration at its meeting, Monday, September 26, at 2 p. m.

XIV. The first business session of the encampment will convene in the English Opera House on Tuesday morning at 9.30 o'clock.

XV. Department commanders will report to the adjutant general not later than 7 p. m., Monday, September 26, the names of their representatives on the committee on resolutions and their nominee for the council of administration.

XVI. Comrades desiring rooms in hotels should write to Mr. Edgar M. Heaton, 1415 Merchants Bank Building. Those desiring accommodations in private homes may secure them by writing Mr. Newton J. McGuire, chairman, housing committee, room 9, Courthouse.

XVII. Comrades desiring to arrange for regimental reunions may make arrangements as to time and place of meeting by writing Rev. E. S. Shumaker, 706 State Life Building, Indianapolis.

XVIII. The national headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic and its auxiliary and allied societies will be located during the encampment as follows:

Grand Army of the Republic, Severin Hotel.  
 Woman's Relief Corps, Lincoln Hotel.  
 Ladies of the G. A. R., Lincoln Hotel.  
 Army Nurses of Civil War, Lincoln Hotel.  
 Sons of Veterans, Washington Hotel.  
 Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, Washington Hotel.  
 Daughters of Veterans, Washington Hotel.

XIX. The following committee on rules and regulations and ritual is announced:

Chas. G. Burton, Portland, Oreg., *chairman*.  
 John R. King, Baltimore.  
 Oscar A. Janes, Detroit.  
 E. C. Milliken, Portland, Me.  
 Ed. N. Ketchum, Galveston, Tex.

XX. The committee for the celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. U. S. Grant, September 27, 1922, namely:

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, *chairman*;  
 Washington Gardner, Washington, D. C.;  
 W. J. Patterson, Pittsburgh;  
 Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo;  
 Henry J. Seeley, Bridgeport, Conn.;  
 W. S. Matthews, Columbus, Ohio;  
 John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.;  
 O. H. Oldroyd, Washington, D. C.;  
 E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, Calif.;

is continued.

XXI. The following committees are hereby appointed to prepare resolutions:

On the death of Past Commander in Chief Orlando A. Somers—  
 Washington Gardner, Washington, D. C.;  
 Charles G. Burton, Portland, Oreg.;  
 Leo Rassieur, St. Louis, Mo.  
 On the death of Past Commander in Chief John E. Gilman—  
 Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn.;  
 Clarendon E. Adams, Omaha, Nebr.;  
 Philip A. Nordell, Boston, Mass.

XXII. The following comrades having complied with the necessary requirements are hereby appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the commander in chief:

#### FLORIDA.

John H. De Graw, Post No. 34, St. Cloud.

#### IOWA.

Albert Cooper, Post No. 40, Oskaloosa.  
 John Averill, Post No. 68, Waterloo.  
 Isaac Kamrar, Post No. 92, Dewitt.  
 John G. Walrod, Post No. 92, Dewitt.



SOUTH DAKOTA.

E. Brion, Post No. 10, Sioux Falls.

By command of—

WILLIAM A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

MAHLON D. BUTLER,  
*Adjutant General.*


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Comrade Asa N. Ballard, past commander of the Department of Alabama, died at his home in Birmingham, Ala., August 24, 1921, aged 79 years. He served in the Forty-eighth Ohio Infantry as Lieutenant in Company D; was commander of the department in 1906.

Comrade George W. Stradley, past department commander of Delaware, died July 16, 1921. He served as private in Company B, First Delaware Cavalry; was commander of the department in 1892.

Comrade Benj. D. Bogia, past commander of the Department of Delaware, died February 19, 1921, aged 81 years. He served as private in Company B, First Delaware Infantry; was commander of the department in 1893.

Comrade Edwin N. Armstrong, past commander of the Department of Illinois, died at his home in Peoria, Ill., July 26, 1921, aged 76 years. He served in Company E, Eleventh Illinois Infantry, serving three years and three months. At Fort Donaldson he was terribly wounded and left for dead on the field, taken prisoner and released when the Union Army captured Nashville. He served as commander of the department in 1920.

Comrade William H. Harries, past department commander of Minnesota and a member of the national council of administration, died July 23, 1921, at his home in Minneapolis, Minn., aged 78 years. He served as a private in Company B, second Wisconsin Infantry, serving full five years. His regiment belonged to the famous Iron Brigade, and he served in the Army of the Potomac during his entire service; was severely wounded at the Battle of Antietam; was commander of the department in 1901.

Comrade Andrew K. McMahon, past commander of the department of Rhode Island, died at his home in Newport, R. I., aged 80 years. He served in Company A of the Second Rhode Island Infantry for three years; was commander of the department in 1884.

SPECIAL ORDER.

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Indianapolis, Ind., September 26, 1921.*

## FOREWORD.

One of the especially attractive features of a national encampment, not only to the citizens entertaining but also as to the "Boys" themselves, is the parade, and in order to be attractive it should move promptly on time in the order prescribed and without interruption from any source whatever, and all the comrades are urged to cooperate with the officers having the parade in charge so as to accomplish these ends.

CAUTION.—This is to be a parade commencing at Vermont Street, and all comrades desiring to participate in the parade will be with their organizations as detailed below, and will not be permitted to get into line below Vermont Street; and the guard line is instructed to prevent any encroachment upon this line. Those who can march are expected to, and those who are unable to march are requested to take their places in the autos provided under No. VI.

## I. THE PARADE—ITS LINE OF MARCH.

The parade proper will move promptly at 3 o'clock, beginning at the intersection of Vermont and Meridian Streets, going thence south past the west side of the monument to the north line of Washington Street, countermarching there, past the east side of the monument to the line of Ohio Street, where the Grand Army proper will take position on the north side of Ohio Street and disband. All the rest of the line will continue east on the south side of Ohio Street to Pennsylvania Street, thence south of the west side of Pennsylvania to Washington Street, thence west on the north side of Washington Street to Illinois Street, thence north on the east side of Illinois to the south side of Ohio, thence east on Ohio to Meridian Street, thence north on the west side of Meridian until it shall have reached the street north of the column moving south, at which point it will disband.

## II. PRELIMINARIES TO THE PARADE PROPER.

The Sons of Veterans will form in two ranks in Meridian Street, immediately north of Vermont, and will then move south on the general line, preceded by the Knightstown Band, as soon as it shall have passed the south line of Vermont Street, at which point the lines will separate, the right line going to the center of Meridian Street, and the left line going to the edge of the curb, and extending by file into line so far as their numbers touching elbows will permit. This line, with its band, will form at 2 o'clock and begin to move promptly at 2.30. After the Sons of Veterans have established their line the Knightstown band will return to the intersection of Michigan and Vermont Streets, in order to take position in the line in the rear of the disabled soldiers marching in autos.

## III.

At the head of the marching column, promptly at 3 o'clock, the parade will move from the intersection of Vermont and Michigan Streets, between the lines held by the Sons of Veterans, as before, in the following order:

- (a) The police escort, mounted.
- (b) The aids to the commander in chief in column of fours.
- (c) The Old Guard, in uniform and with guns, from Columbus and Newark, Ohio, in column of fours.
- (d) The Purdue Band.
- (e) The commander in chief, his immediate staff, past commander in chiefs and their wives, and invited guests, who are to participate in the review in autos. Autos will be furnished for these guests at the city hall, at the Claypool, and the Severin at 2.30 p. m., and they should reach the line of Meridian Street at Michigan, east and west, at 2.45, prepared to follow the band promptly, so as to cross the line of Vermont Street promptly at 3 o'clock.

## IV. THE GRAND ARMY PARADE PROPER.

The Grand Army will form as set forth in detail in No. V, and move out promptly at 3 o'clock, headed by the Senior Vice Commander in Chief Hosley, Chief of Staff Harvey, and Adj. Gen. Smith, in line, followed by six aids in line, and will move by sections, each under a division commander, with an aid to assist him, as follows:

First division—Illinois, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Ohio.

Second division, headed by the Newsboys' Band—New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, California and Nevada, Rhode Island and New Hampshire.

Third division, headed by the International Band—Vermont, Potomac, Virginia and North Carolina, Maryland, Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa, Colorado and Wyoming, Kansas and Delaware.

Fourth division, headed by the Whiteland Band—Minnesota, Missouri, Oregon, Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Washington and Alaska, Arkansas, New Mexico, Utah, Tennessee, Louisiana and Mississippi, Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia and South Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, and Indiana.

Fifth division—(a) Spanish American War Veterans, headed by a fife and drum corps.



(b) The American Legion, headed by their band, in such divisions and under such command as their officers shall indicate.

(c) All disabled veterans of all wars, headed by the Knightstown Band, moving into line at Meridian Street, at the corner of North, and continuing throughout the length of the parade.

#### V. FORMATION OF UNITS FOR PURPOSE OF ENTERING INTO THE PARADE.

(a) At 2.45 p. m. the first division will rendezvous at the corner of Vermont and Michigan Streets; Illinois and Pennsylvania on the north and south sides of Vermont, west of Meridian; Wisconsin and Ohio on the south and north sides of Vermont, east of Meridian, prepared to enter the parade at the sound of the bugle at 3.

(b) At the same time New York, on the east; Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, California and Nevada, Rhode Island and New Hampshire on the west side of Meridian, north of Vermont, will rendezvous, prepared to enter the line of the parade at the sound of the bugle.

(c) As soon as Illinois and Pennsylvania have vacated Vermont Street, west of Meridian, Vermont, Potomac, Virginia, North Carolina, Kansas, and Delaware will rendezvous at 2.45 on the south side, and Minnesota, Missouri, Oregon, Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Washington and Alaska, Arkansas, New Mexico, Utah, Tennessee, Louisiana and Mississippi, Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia and South Carolina, North Dakota, and Oklahoma will rendezvous at 2.45 at the north side of Vermont Street, west of Meridian, prepared to march in column of fours, as soon as Delaware has cleared into the parade.

(d) Each division will move promptly into line in the order above indicated, as soon as the preceding division has entered the line, and continue in the parade until it has reached Ohio Street, in the countermarch, when the entire Grand Army will move to the north side of Ohio, east of Meridian, and disband.

#### VI.

(a) At 2.30 autos for the purpose of carrying the soldiers of all wars unable to march will park in North Street, between Pennsylvania and Illinois, and all soldiers of all wars will rendezvous on North Street, between Pennsylvania and Illinois, and take their places in autos so located, prepared to move south in the parade, headed by the Knightstown Band, immediately following the line of the American Legion.

(b) The American Legion will rendezvous in Illinois and Pennsylvania Streets, between Vermont and North, prepared to and will fall into line in Michigan Street, moving south in Meridian Street from Michigan Street, immediately following the Department of Indiana in the parade.

#### VII.

(a) Upon arriving at the Monument, the Purdue Band will take its place in front of the Monument in the middle of Meridian Street, and there continue until the entire column has passed, going south and also going north, playing at frequent intervals.

(b) As soon as the automobiles carrying the guests who are to review the parade have reached the north side of the Monument, they will leave their autos and take their places on the reviewing stand, and the autos in which they have ridden shall continue in the line of the parade until they have reached Ohio Street, where they will move out of the line, and the remainder of the parade will continue in the line indicated.

#### VIII.

As each department reaches the line of Ohio Street on the countermarch, its commander will return to the Monument and take place on the reviewing stand, together with invited guests and all past commanders in chief.

W. A. KETCHAM,  
*Commander in Chief.*

Approved:

S. G. HARVEY, *Chief of Staff.*

HARRY B. SMITH, *Chairman Parade Committee.*

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## COMRADE JOHN EDWARD GILMAN

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, 1910; COMMANDER DEPARTMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS, 1899. MUSTERED OUT AT BOSTON, MASS., FEBRUARY 20, 1921.

Monday morning, February 21, 1921, a multitude in and out of the Grand Army of the Republic were saddened by the announcement that Comrade John E. Gilman had passed away the previous day. The event was not wholly unexpected. After the breaking of his one remaining arm during the national encampment in Boston in 1917 he was never just the same, though he recovered sufficiently to continue his official work until within a few weeks of his death.

Comrade Gilman was born in South Boston, Mass., December 22, 1844. His education was received in local schools. When the Civil War broke out he was learning the trade of tinsmith.

Young Gilman was eager to enlist at the first call for troops, but his parents strenuously objected on account of his being under age. Finally, August 5, 1862, he succeeded in getting mustered into Company E, Twelfth Massachusetts Infantry, a three years' regiment. Later he was detailed to a Pennsylvania Light Artillery Battery. After the battle of Antietam he was sent back to the Twelfth Massachusetts.

During his period of service he participated in ten important engagements, namely, South Mountain, Second Bull Run, Antietam, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Rappahannock Station, Thoroughfare Gap, Chantilly, and Gettysburg, where on the second day of this momentous conflict an exploding shell so shattered his right arm that it had to be amputated on the field. October 28, 1863, he was discharged on account of disability.

After his discharge he returned to Boston to earn a living, but found that the loss of his arm proved too great a handicap for success in manual labor. The following year Gov. John A. Andrew appointed him messenger to the house of representatives. From this position he passed by appointment to several State and city offices until in 1901 Mayor Hart made him commissioner of soldiers' relief for the city of Boston, which office he held until December 31, 1920.

Comrade Gilman connected himself with over 50 fraternal, political, social, and religious organizations. Soon after the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic he joined it and became





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an active and enthusiastic member. In 1888 he was elected commander of Thomas G. Stevenson Post No. 26. In 1899 the Department of Massachusetts chose him for its commander. In 1910 the national encampment raised him to the high office of commander in chief. More and more these positions brought him before the public. This was especially true during our first year in the World War, when patriotic feeling ran high and good speakers were in great demand.

As a speaker Comrade Gilman was emotional rather than argumentative or didactic. His fine voice gave him for many years a place in the choir of St. Mary's Church, North End. Here he met Miss Mary E. Lynch, soloist in the same choir, whom he married November 8, 1870. The golden anniversary of their wedding was celebrated by a great concourse of relatives and friends.

Of all the Grand Army glee clubs in Massachusetts "Billy Olin's Gang" was the most famous. Comrade Olin, long time secretary of state, and Gilman were close friends, and the mainstay of the "gang." In addition to his gift in song Comrade Gilman had no small gift in poetry. Several of his poems were sung with great acceptance in Grand Army gatherings.

Comrade Gilman is survived by his wife and two sons, William L. F. Gilman and John E. Gilman, jr.

Our departed comrade was a brave soldier, a loyal comrade, a good citizen, a faithful and loving husband and father, a consistent member of his church, and a sympathetic helper toward the afflicted. Those who knew him best will miss him most, and they will long cherish his memory.

ELL TORRANCE, *Chairman.*

CLARENDON E. ADAMS.

PHILIP A. NORDELL.





JOHN E. GILMAN

Commander in Chief, 1910. Mustered out February 20, 1921





ORLANDO A. SOMERS  
Commander in Chief, 1917. Mustered out June 9, 1921



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## ORLANDO A. SOMERS

At 5 o'clock in the evening of June 9, 1921, Orlando A. Somers, Past Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, passed out of the earthly life at his home in Kokomo, Ind. He was born January 24, 1843, in Middleton, Henry County, Ind., and spent his entire life of more than 78 years in the State in which he died.

Comrade Somers was the sixth of nine children born to Valentine and Mary McClain (Williams) Somers. The future Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic was one of five sons who went forth from this family to battle for the preservation of the Union. He volunteered in August, 1861, and became a member of Company D, Thirty-ninth Indiana.

The regiment of which he was a member became a part of the Army of the Ohio and later of the Cumberland. Comrade Somers participated with his regiment in the battles of Shiloh, Perryville, and Stone River. Later the regiment served as Mounted Infantry in the Tullahoma and Chickamauga campaigns, still later having been designated as the Eighth Indiana Cavalry, it served as such to the end of the war. It is listed in Fox's Regimental Losses as one of the 300 hundred fighting regiments.

Returning from the war, he resumed his studies and fitted himself for teaching, which he followed with success for several years and became superintendent of schools of Howard County.

During the administration of President Hayes, Comrade Somers was appointed postmaster of Kokomo and was retained in office during the administration of Presidents Garfield and Arthur and a portion of that of President Cleveland. In 1898 he was elected to the general assembly of the State by the five counties composing his district. He served on important committees and took a prominent part in shaping important legislation.

In 1913 Comrade Somers was elected president of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland and for seven times was successively reelected. He was the only noncommissioned officer chosen to preside over the deliberations of a body which in its earlier years had seated Thomas, Rosecrans, and other chieftains of that historic Army in the chair to guide its course. This distinction was justly a source of pride to him as it was to his comrades of the rank and file.

For many years Orlando Somers took an active interest in the Grand Army of the Republic. He enjoyed to a marked degree the good will and confidence of his comrades, as was evidenced by his





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being chosen successively post commander, department commander, and commander in chief. He served with credit to himself and advantage to the order.

In 1866 Comrade Somers was married to Mahala Ellen Morris, and to this union were born five sons, four of whom survive their honored father. Mrs. Somers died February 9, 1886, and in March, 1887, Comrade Somers married Emma Heaton. Two daughters, Jean and Mrs. Gail (Somers) Shinn were the fruit of this union.

His neighbors in Kokomo who knew him through the years of his long residence there cherished his friendship, and now that he is gone honor his memory. His comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and a wide circle of friends among his fellow countrymen pay tribute to his worth as a brave soldier and a true citizen of the Republic.

One who knew him well said "It was with soldierly fortitude that he faced the last fight—the fight he knew must end in defeat of the flesh. He was never more splendidly a soldier than in the last days. Clear in mind and serene in soul, he was an inspiration to all who entered his presence. He was not ready—one as interested in life as he was never is—but he was reconciled. He had had a long life and an extraordinarily full one. It had brought him distinction any man might be proud to possess. He made no complaint that he must go. When the dread courier of the Unknown called, the calm and courageous spirit of Orlando A. Somers arose 'undaunted, undefeated, and unafraid and passed to immortality.' "

WASHINGTON GARDNER, *Chairman.*

LEO RASSIEUR.

CHARLES G. BURTON.









JOHN H. HOLLAND  
Assistant Adjutant General. Died in Office



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## COMRADE JOHN H. HOLLAND

*Assistant Adjutant General.*

Comrade JOHN H. HOLLAND was born in Indianapolis, Ind., September 3, 1846. He enlisted in Company L, Ninth Indiana Cavalry, in 1863, at the age of 17, and served until the close of the war and made an honorable record. He died in office May 10, 1921, at Indianapolis. During the last three years of his life he was commander of Maj. Robert Anderson Post of Indianapolis, and was conspicuous in looking after the sick and disabled comrades. He was attentive and efficient as assistant adjutant general and in every duty he ever assumed.

MAHLON D. BUTLER,

*Adjutant General.*







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DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA

**COMRADE ASA N. BALLARD**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1906

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 24, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA

**COMRADE A. G. NEGLEY**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1905

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 24, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA

**COMRADE GEORGE D. KELLOGG**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 22, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING

**COMRADE HARRISON S. VAUGHN**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1903

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 25, 1920



DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING

**COMRADE HENRY C. WATSON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1908

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 1, 1921



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DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT

**COMRADE RANDOLPH W. WILLIAMSON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1920

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 30, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF DELAWARE

**COMRADE WILLIAM H. BLAKE**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1909

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST 27, 1920



DEPARTMENT OF DELAWARE

**COMRADE GEORGE W. STRADLEY**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1892

MUSTERED OUT JULY 16, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF DELAWARE

**COMRADE BENJAMIN D. BOGIA**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1893

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 19, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS

**COMRADE EDWIN N. ARMSTRONG**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1920

MUSTERED OUT JULY 27, 1921





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DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

**COMRADE WILLIAM F. MEDSKER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1919

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 3, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

**COMRADE DANIEL WAUGH**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 14, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI

**COMRADE HOWARD N. SINGLETON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1919

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 24, 1920



DEPARTMENT OF LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI

**COMRADE EDWARD T. GIPSON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1917-1918-1920

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 27, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

**COMRADE FREDERICK S. WALLS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1906

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 16, 1921



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DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA

**COMRADE WILLIAM H. HARRIES**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1901

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT JULY 23, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA

**COMRADE PHILIP G. WOODARD**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1921

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT JANUARY 2, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF MONTANA

**COMRADE CHARLES S. WARREN**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1886

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 13, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF MONTANA

**COMRADE C. B. MILLER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1899

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 12, 1920



DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA

**COMRADE LEE ESTELL**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1903

MUSTERED OUT OCTOBER 10, 1920





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DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA

**COMRADE JOHN E. EVANS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1899

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 27, 1920



DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA

**COMRADE ALBERT M. TRIMBLE**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1918

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 11, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF NEBRASKA

**COMRADE JOSEPH TEETER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1891

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 2, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY

**COMRADE ERNEST C. STAHL**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1896

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT JUNE 24, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO

**COMRADE A. D. HIGGINS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911

MUSTERED OUT NOVEMBER 24, 1920



# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

**COMRADE JOHN S. KOSTER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1903

MUSTERED OUT, AUGUST 18, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF NORTH DAKOTA

**COMRADE DAVID B. McLAIN**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1920—DIED IN OFFICE

MUSTERED OUT DECEMBER 14, 1920



DEPARTMENT OF OKLAHOMA

**COMRADE WALLACE R. KELLY**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1912

MUSTERED OUT, MAY 28, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF OKLAHOMA

**COMRADE ALBERT REEVES**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1916

MUSTERED OUT.



DEPARTMENT OF OKLAHOMA

**COMRADE WILBERFORCE JONES**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1911

MUSTERED OUT.





# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF OKLAHOMA

**COMRADE GEORGE W. FLETCHER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1914

MUSTERED OUT, NOVEMBER 29, 1920



DEPARTMENT OF OREGON

**COMRADE DANIEL WEBSTER**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1919

MUSTERED OUT, MARCH 6, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND

**COMRADE HENRY J. PICKERSGILL**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1915

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 12, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND

**COMRADE ANDREW K. McMAHON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1915

MUSTERED OUT AUGUST —, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA

**COMRADE CHARLES SIMEON BLODGETT**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1915

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 28, 1921



# In Memoriam



DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS

**COMRADE E. P. BROWN**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1912

MUSTERED OUT MAY 4, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF UTAH

**COMRADE NATHAN A. HEATH**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1914

MUSTERED OUT MARCH 1, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA

**COMRADE C. E. PATTERSON**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1896

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 22, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

**COMRADE E. A. SHOWERS**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1893

MUSTERED OUT APRIL 18, 1921



DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN

**COMRADE WILLIAM A. WYSE**

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1917

MUSTERED OUT FEBRUARY 21, 1921





# COMPLETE ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

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FOUNDED BY DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, AT DECATUR, ILL.,  
APRIL 6, 1866.

*First commander in chief,*  
BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.

*First adjutant general,*  
ROBERT MANN WOOD, Illinois.

*First quartermaster general,*  
JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois.

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

## FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., NOVEMBER 20, 1866.

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	STEPHEN A. HURLBURT, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES B. MCKEAN, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	D. C. MCNEIL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	AUGUST WILlich, Ohio.

## SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JANUARY 15, 1868.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
<i>Inspector general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.

## THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 12, 13, 1869.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

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<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers now appointed.



**FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
MAY 11, 12, 1870.**

Headquarters established Washington. D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

**FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
MAY 10, 11, 1871**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO,  
MAY 8, 9, 1872.**

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

**SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN.,  
MAY 14, 15, 1873.**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. GOBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i> -----	{ W. F. ROGERS, New York. <sup>2</sup> MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE R. I., JUNE 26, 27, 1877.

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

<sup>2</sup> Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.



TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.,  
JUNE 4, 1878.

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y.,  
JUNE 17, 18, 1879.

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership, 44,752.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge adrocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO,  
JUNE 8, 9, 1880.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
JUNE 15, 16, 1881.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

## SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD., JUNE 21-23, 1882.

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 134,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. E. W. ROSS, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

## SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., JULY 25, 26, 1883.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM VANDEVER, Iowa.

## EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., JULY 23-25, 1884.

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

## NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, ME., JUNE 24, 25, 1885.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SELDON CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.



TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.,  
AUGUST 4-6, 1886.

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO.,  
SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1887.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZY, Vermont.

TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888.

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS.,  
AUGUST 28-30, 1889.

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. LOVETT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 13, 14, 1890.**

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 409,489.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RICHARD F. TOBIN, Massachusetts. <sup>3</sup> GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,  
AUGUST 5-7, 1891.**

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRED. PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.

**TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 1892.**

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER, 6, 7, 1893.**

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. G. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



## TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA., SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1894.

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership, 369,083.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS G. LAWLER, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. H. HAGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	MATT. H. ELLIS, New York.

## TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY., SEPTEMBER 11-13, 1895.

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS C. ILIFF, Utah.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

## THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1896.

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

## THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y., AUGUST 25-27, 1897.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED LYTH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES A. SEXTON, <sup>3</sup> Illinois.
	{ W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon General</i> -----	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., AUGUST 29, 30, 1900.

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon General</i> -----	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

### THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN MCELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. B SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO,  
CALIF., AUGUST 20, 21, 1903.

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRY C. KESSLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE A. HARMAN, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ERWIN B. MESSLER, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 17, 18, 1904.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, Massachusetts. <sup>3</sup> JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Senior commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee. E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
	AMOS M. THAYER, Missouri. <sup>3</sup>
<i>Judge advocates general</i> -----	OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO.,  
SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1905.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,  
AUGUST 16, 17, 1906.**

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership, 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

**FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907.**

Headquarters established Kansas City. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

**FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1908.**

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

**FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,  
AUGUST 12, 13, 1909.**

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM R. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.



# **FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910.**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

# **FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 24, 25, 1911.**

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN H. MCCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

# **FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF., SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912.**

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	H. Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

# **FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913.**

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> ----	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, Maine. <sup>4</sup> A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.

### FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914.

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, <sup>3</sup> Michigan.
	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
	{ OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ORVILLE J. NAVE, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

### FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915.

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,863.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEVANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

### FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916.

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 149,074.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RAIZEMOND A. PARKER, Detroit, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, Newark, N. J.

### FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 20-25, 1917.

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



## FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG., AUGUST 18-24, 1918.

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CLARENDON E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHAS. H. HABER, National Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

## FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919.

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio. Membership, 110,357.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES D. BELL, <sup>3</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y. DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio. CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	Rev. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

## FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1920.

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 103,258.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. HOSLEY, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. E. GANDY, Spokane, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	MAHLON D. BUTLER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

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<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 25-29, 1921.**

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership, 93,171.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS S. PILCHER, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE B. SMITH, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. PECKHAM, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	RICHARD A. SARLE, San Francisco, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.





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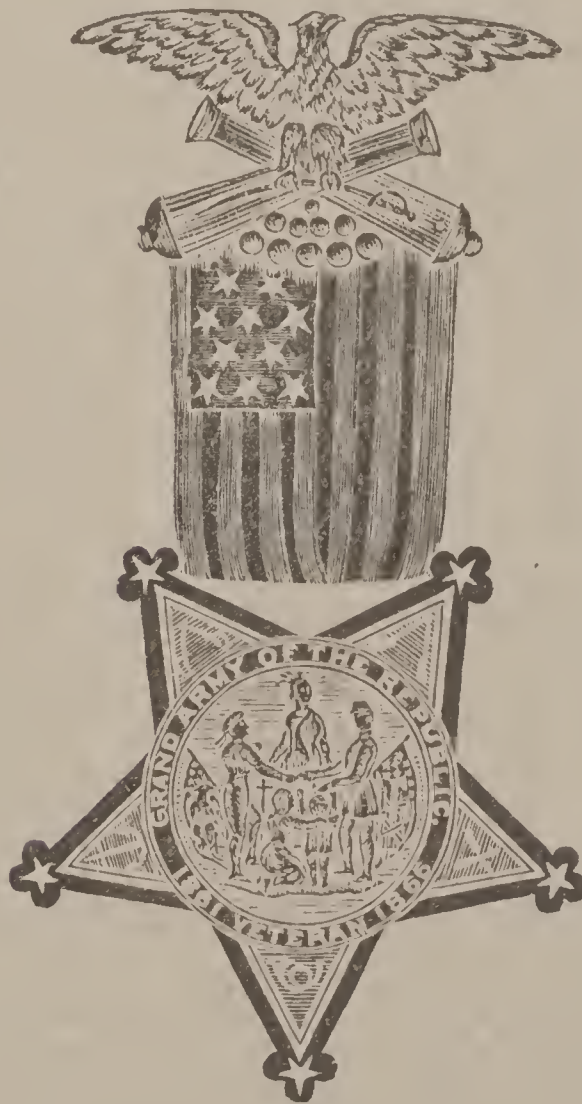


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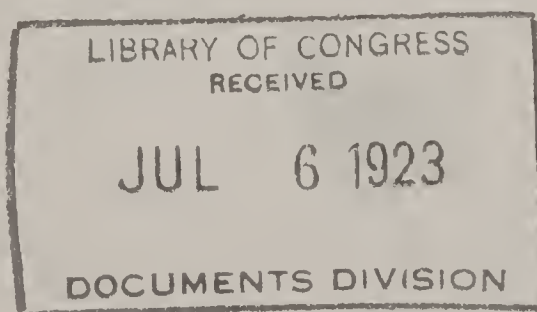
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# MEMBERSHIP, FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The total number of names appearing on the Roll of the Fifty-Sixth National Encampment, as shown by the following table, is 1,396.

Deducting previously reported, as indicated by (†), the net voting strength is 1,317.

National officers, past national officers, and departments.	Department officers.	Representatives.	Past department commanders.	Total.	Deduct previously reported. (†)	Net voting strength.
National officers entitled to vote.....				10		10
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Arizona.....	4	1	15	20	1	19
Arkansas.....	4	2	18	24	2	22
California and Nevada.....	4	25	40	69	2	67
Colorado and Wyoming.....	4	7	11	22	1	21
Connecticut.....	4	6	14	24		24
Delaware.....	4	2	16	22	2	20
Florida.....	4	4	17	25	1	24
Georgia and South Carolina.....	4	1	15	20	4	16
Idaho.....	4	2	16	22	2	20
Illinois.....	4	33	12	49	1	48
Indiana.....	4	29	16	49	2	47
Iowa.....	4	23	16	43	2	41
Kansas.....	4	23	16	43		43
Kentucky.....	4	3	12	19	3	16
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	4	2	6	12	3	9
Maine.....	4	9	16	29	2	27
Maryland.....	4	5	15	24	3	21
Massachusetts.....	4	23	13	40	2	38
Michigan.....	4	18	17	39	3	36
Minnesota.....	4	8	20	32	4	28
Missouri.....	4	14	15	33	4	29
Montana.....	4	2	9	15		15
Nebraska.....	4	10	17	31	3	28
New Hampshire.....	4	5	15	24		24
New Jersey.....	4	8	14	26	2	24
New Mexico.....	4	1	12	17	2	15
New York.....	4	42	16	62	3	59
North Dakota.....	4	2	16	22		23
Ohio.....	4	33	18	55	2	53
Oklahoma.....	4	2	14	20		20
Oregon.....	4	8	19	31	2	29
Pennsylvania.....	4	43	13	60	2	58
Potomac.....	4	3	19	26	5	21
Rhode Island.....	4	4	11	19	1	18
South Dakota.....	4	4	20	28	2	26
Tennessee.....	4	3	18	25		25
Texas.....	4	2	10	16	1	15
Utah.....	4	2	9	15	1	14
Vermont.....	4	5	15	24		24
Virginia and North Carolina.....	4	2	7	13	2	11
Washington and Alaska.....	4	10	20	34	2	32
West Virginia.....	4	3	15	22	1	21
Wisconsin.....	4	13	21	38	1	37
Total.....	176	448	673	1,396	79	1,317



# ROLL OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 24 TO 29, 1922.

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## NATIONAL OFFICERS.

### *Commander in Chief:*

LEWIS S. PILCHER,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.

### *Senior Vice Commander in Chief:*

ROBERT W. MCBRIDE,<sup>1</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.

### *Junior Vice Commander in Chief:*

HENRY A. JOHNSON,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.

### *Surgeon General:*

MARSHALL W. WOOD,<sup>1</sup> M. D., Boise, Idaho.

### *Chaplain in Chief:*

Rev. GEORGE B. SMITH,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.

### *Adjutant General:*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,<sup>1</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.

### *Quartermaster General:*

COLA D. R. STOWITS,<sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.

### *Judge Advocate General:*

THOMAS S. HOPKINS,<sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.

### *Inspector General:*

RICHARD A. SARLE,<sup>1</sup> San Francisco, Calif.

### *National Patriotic Instructor:*

LEVI LONGFELLOW,<sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.

### *Assistant Adjutant General:*

THOMAS J. MCCONEKEY,<sup>1 2</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.

### *Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian of Records:*

SAMUEL P. TOWN,<sup>1 3</sup> Philadelphia, Pa.

### *Chief of Staff:*

BIRT F. PARSONS,<sup>1 2</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y.

### *Senior Aid-de-camp:*

RUFUS L. CHASE,<sup>1 4</sup> Des Moines, Iowa.

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<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Representative, Department of New York.

<sup>3</sup> Assistant adjutant general, Department of Pennsylvania.

<sup>4</sup> Past commander, Department of Iowa.

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	George F. Jackson.....	Birmingham.
Arizona.....	E. S. Godfrey.....	Cookstown, N. J.
Arkansas.....	Cos Altenberg.....	Little Rock.
California and Nevada.....	Chas. F. Derby.....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	M. S. Crawford.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	Harry L. Beach.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	William Kelley.....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	John De Graw.....	St. Cloud.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	George E. Whitman.....	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Idaho.....	George F. Kimery.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	John B. Inman <sup>1</sup> .....	Springfield.
Indiana.....	Alonzo Murphy.....	Greensburg.
Iowa.....	J. W. Willett <sup>1</sup> .....	Tama.
Kansas.....	E. W. Phillips.....	Wichita.
Kentucky.....	M. H. Davidson.....	Louisville.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	Basile Ulgere.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Edwin Riley.....	Livermore Falls.
Maryland.....	Jacob R. Tucker.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Wilfred A. Wetherbee.....	Newton.
Michigan.....	H. A. Chapin <sup>1</sup> .....	Lansing.
Minnesota.....	Levi Longfellow <sup>2</sup> .....	Minneapolis.
Missouri.....	John M. Williams <sup>1</sup> .....	California.
Montana.....	R. L. Cleveland.....	Great Falls.
Nebraska.....	W. H. Stewart.....	Geneva.
New Hampshire.....	Wm. Blair.....	Berlin.
New Jersey.....	Wm. O. Allen.....	Newark.
New Mexico.....	W. W. McDonald.....	Albuquerque.
New York.....	George A. Price <sup>1</sup> .....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	James McCormick.....	Devil's Lake.
Ohio.....	Marcellus O. Messer.....	Warren.
Oklahoma.....	S. P. Strahan.....	Perry.
Oregon.....	S. F. Blythe.....	Hood River
Pennsylvania.....	J. Andrew Wilt <sup>1</sup> .....	Towanda.
Potomac.....	John Middleton.....	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	John A. Medbery.....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	J. C. Luce.....	Groton.
Tennessee.....	Oliver C. Kinley.....	Jonesboro.
Texas.....	Henry W. Nye.....	Fort Worth.
Utah.....	Henry W. Charter.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	J. M. Hyde.....	Bennington.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	George W. Burchfield.....	N. H. D. V. S.
Washington and Alaska.....	F. H. Hurd.....	Seattle.
West Virginia.....	S. R. Hanen.....	Glen Easton.
Wisconsin.....	Fred W. Wardrobe.....	Waukesha.

<sup>1</sup> Member of executive committee.

<sup>2</sup> National patriotic instructor.



## PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS.

### PAST COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> (provisional) (died Aug. 30, 1871)	1866
S. A. Hurlbut, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 27, 1882)	1866-67
John A. Logan, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Dec. 26, 1886)	1868-70
Ambrose E. Burnside, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Sept. 18, 1881)	1871-72
Charles Devens, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Jan. 7, 1892)	1873-74
John F. Hartranft, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Oct. 17, 1899)	1875-76
John C. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 18, 1897)	1877-78
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Feb. 17, 1885)	1879
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1880
George S. Merrill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 17, 1900)	1881
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1882
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 25, 1914)	1883
John S. Kountz, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died June 14, 1909)	1884
Samuel S. Burdett, <sup>2</sup> Potomac (died Sept. 24, 1914)	1885
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)	1886
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1887
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1888
Russell A. Alger, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died Jan. 24, 1907)	1889
Wheelock G. Veazy, <sup>2</sup> Vermont (died Mar. 22, 1898)	1890
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1891
A. G. Weissert, Milwaukee, Wis.	1892
John G. B. Adams, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Oct. 19, 1900)	1893
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 3, 1908)	1894
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1895
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1896
John P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died May 10, 1910)	1897
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died in office Feb. 5, 1899)	1898
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Apr. 27, 1917)	1899
Albert D. Shaw, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Feb. 10, 1901)	1899
Leo Rassieur, <sup>1</sup> St. Louis, Mo.	1900
Ell Torrance, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.	1901
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Sept. 11, 1917)	1902
John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Aug. 17, 1915)	1903
Wilmon W. Blackmar, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office July 16, 1905)	1904
John R. King, <sup>1</sup> Baltimore, Md.	1905
James Tanner, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1905
Robert B. Brown, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 30, 1916)	1906
Charles G. Burton, <sup>1</sup> Kansas City, Mo.	1907
Henry M. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> New Jersey (died Jan. 28, 1911)	1908
Samuel R. Van Sant, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.	1909
John E. Gilman, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Feb. 20, 1921)	1910
Harvey M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Jan. 10, 1918)	1911
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1912
Washington Gardner, <sup>1</sup> Albion, Mich.	1913
David J. Palmer, <sup>1</sup> Washington, Iowa	1914
Elias R. Monfort, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 29, 1920)	1915
W. J. Patterson, <sup>1</sup> Pittsburgh, Pa.	1916
Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died June 9, 1921)	1917
Clarendon E. Adams, Los Angeles, Calif.	1918
James D. Bell, <sup>2</sup> New York (died in office Nov. 1, 1919)	1919
Daniel M. Hall, <sup>1</sup> Columbus, Ohio	1919
William A. Ketcham, Indiana (died Dec. 27, 1921)	1920

<sup>1</sup> Present.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## PAST SENIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

James B. McKean, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Jan. 6, 1879)	1866-67
Joshua T. Owen, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Nov. 7, 1887)	1868
Lucius Fairchild, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died May 23, 1896)	1868-70
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1871-72
Edward Jardine, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 13, 1896)	1874
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> California (died Sept. 18, 1911)	1875-76
Elisha H. Rhodes, <sup>2</sup> Rhode Island (died Jan. 14, 1917)	1877
Paul Van Dervoort, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died July 29, 1902)	1878
John Palmer, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Apr. 15, 1905)	1879
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Apr. 28, 1904)	1880
Charles L. Young, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died in September, 1913)	1881
W. E. W. Ross, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Nov. 14, 1907)	1882
William Warner, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died Oct. 4, 1916)	1883
John P. Rea, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died May 28, 1900)	1884
Seldon Connor, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died July 9, 1917)	1885
S. W. Backus, San Francisco, Calif.	1886
Nelson Cole, <sup>2</sup> Missouri (died July 31, 1899)	1887
Moses H. Neil, Columbus, Ohio	1888
A. G. Weissert, <sup>2</sup> Milwaukee, Wis.	1889
Richard F. Tobin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died in office Nov. 22, 1890)	1890
George H. Innis, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Apr. 7, 1891; died Jan. 19, 1907)	1891
Henry M. Duffield, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died July 13, 1912)	1891
R. H. Warfield, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 16, 1906)	1892
Ivan N. Walker, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 22, 1905)	1893
A. P. Burchfield, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 8, 1910)	1894
E. H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Sept. 13, 1901)	1895
John H. Mullen, <sup>2</sup> Minnesota (died Apr. 3, 1907)	1896
Alfred Lyth, <sup>1</sup> Buffalo, N. Y.	1897
W. C. Johnson, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (elected commander in chief Sept. 5, 1899)	1898
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 5, 1899; died Mar. 26, 1916)	1899
Irvin Robbins, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Feb. 9, 1911)	1899
Edwin C. Milliken, Maine (died Oct. 20, 1921)	1900
John McElroy, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1901
William M. Olin, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 15, 1911)	1902
C. Mason Kinne, <sup>2</sup> California (died Dec. 25, 1913)	1903
John R. King, <sup>1,2</sup> Baltimore, Md. (promoted to commander in chief July 17, 1905)	1904
George W. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to fill vacancy; died Sept. 19, 1906)	1905
George W. Cook, <sup>2</sup> Colorado (died Dec. 17, 1916)	1905
William H. Armstrong, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Sept. 28, 1914)	1906
Lewis E. Griffith, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Oct. 6, 1912)	1907
J. Kent Hamilton, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died Dec. 29, 1918)	1908
William M. Bostaph, <sup>1</sup> Salt Lake City, Utah	1909
Charles Burrows, Rutherford, N. J.	1910
Nicholas W. Day, <sup>2</sup> New York (died Mar. 6, 1916)	1911
Henry Z. Osborne, Los Angeles, Calif.	1912
Thomas H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> Oklahoma (died Aug. 21, 1918)	1913
Joseph B. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died in office Mar. 9, 1915)	1914
William F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Texas (promoted to fill vacancy Mar. 10, 1915; died Mar. 1, 1919)	1915
George H. Slaybaugh, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1915
William H. Wormstead, Kansas City, Mo.	1916
John L. Clem, <sup>1</sup> Washington, D. C.	1917
John G. Chambers, Portland, Oreg.	1918
Daniel M. Hall, Columbus, Ohio (promoted to commander in chief Nov. 4, 1919)	1919
Charles B. Wilson, <sup>1</sup> Los Angeles, Calif.	1919
George A. Hosley, <sup>1</sup> Boston, Mass.	1920

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Past commander in chief.



## PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF.

Robert S. Foster, <sup>2</sup> Indiana (died Mar. 3, 1903)	1866
Joseph R. Hawley, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 18, 1905)	1866-1869
Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> Pennsylvania (died Jan. 15, 1914)	1870
James Coey, <sup>2</sup> California (died July 14, 1918)	1871
J. Warren Keifer, Springfield, Ohio	1871-72
Edward Ferguson, <sup>2</sup> Wisconsin (died Sept. 18, 1901)	1873
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Mar. 4, 1919)	1874
Charles J. Buckbee, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Nov. 5, 1896)	1875-76
William Earnshaw, <sup>2</sup> Ohio (died July 17, 1885)	1877
Herbert E. Hill, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (died Apr. 8, 1892)	1878
Harrison Dingman, Washington, D. C.	1879
George Bowers, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Feb. 14, 1884)	1880
C. V. R. Pond, <sup>2</sup> Michigan (died June 9, 1912)	1881
I. S. Bangs, <sup>2</sup> Maine (died May 30, 1903)	1882
Walter H. Holmes, <sup>2</sup> California (died Mar. 26, 1889)	1883
Ira E. Hicks, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 23, 1919)	1884
John R. Lewis, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Feb. 8, 1900)	1885
Edgar Allan, <sup>2</sup> Virginia (died Oct. 28, 1904)	1886
John C. Linehan, <sup>2</sup> New Hampshire (died Sept. 19, 1905)	1887
Joseph Hadfield, <sup>5</sup> New York	1888
John F. Lovett, Trenton, N. J.	1889
George B. Creamer, <sup>2</sup> Maryland (died Sept. 16, 1896)	1890
T. S. Clarkson, <sup>2</sup> Nebraska (died Jan. 16, 1915)	1891
Peter B. Ayars, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (died Jan. 19, 1904)	1892
J. C. Bigger, <sup>2</sup> Texas (died Sept. 24, 1900)	1893
Charles H. Shute, <sup>2</sup> Louisiana (died Nov. 26, 1907)	1894
S. G. Cosgrove, <sup>2</sup> Washington and Alaska (died in 1911)	1895
Charles W. Buckley, <sup>2</sup> Alabama (died Dec. 4, 1906)	1896
Francis B. Allen, Hartford, Conn.	1897
Daniel Ross, <sup>2</sup> Delaware (elected senior vice commander in chief Sept 6, 1899; office of junior vice commander in chief left vacant; died Mar. 26, 1916)	1898
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> Kentucky (died Oct. 9, 1911)	1899
Frank Seaman, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (died Nov. 20, 1910)	1900
James O'Donnell, <sup>2</sup> Illinois (died Feb. 15, 1910)	1901
James P. Averill, <sup>2</sup> Georgia (died Oct. 12, 1904)	1902
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> Montana (died Sept. 10, 1907)	1903
George N. Patten, <sup>2</sup> Tennessee (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Sept. 19, 1906)	1904
Ephraim B Stillings, <sup>2</sup> Massachusetts (elected to fill vacancy Sept. 4, 1905; died Dec. 30, 1917)	1905
Silas H. Towler, <sup>1</sup> Minneapolis, Minn.	1905
E. B. Fenton, Evanston, Ill.	1906
William M. Scott, Atlanta, Ga.	1907
Charles C. Royce, Washington, D. C.	1908
Alfred B. Beers, <sup>2</sup> Connecticut (died Mar. 31, 1920)	1909
William James, Jacksonville, Fla.	1910
William A. Ogden, <sup>2</sup> Kansas (died Oct. 31, 1914)	1911
Americus Whedon, Kentucky (died Oct. 18, 1921)	1912
A. S. Fowler, Little Rock, Ark.	1913
W. F. Conner, <sup>2</sup> Dallas, Tex. (promoted to senior vice commander in chief; died Mar. 1, 1919)	1914
Oscar A. Janes, <sup>1</sup> Detroit, Mich (elected Apr. 1, 1915)	1915
Le Vant Dodge, <sup>1</sup> Berea, Ky.	1915
E. K. Russ, New Orleans, La.	1916
John M. Vernon, Wilmette, Ill.	1917
Charles H. Haber, <sup>1</sup> National Soldiers' Home, Va.	1918
Charles B. Wilson, Los Angeles, Calif. (promoted to senior vice commander in chief Nov. 4, 1919)	1919
Isidore Isaacs, <sup>1</sup> New York City	1919
J. E. Gandy, <sup>1</sup> Spokane, Wash.	1920

<sup>1</sup> Present.<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.

## DEPARTMENTS.

[The figures within the ( ) indicate the number of each department in the order of permanent organization.]

### ALABAMA (42).

[Organized June 26, 1876; reorganized Mar. 12, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 47; posts, 3.]

Department commander_____	Chester Knox Roe__Spring Hill.
Senior vice department commander_____	George Hoenig____Cullman.
Junior vice department commander_____	Henry F. Dodd____Whislett.
Assistant adjutant general_____	George F. Jackson_Edgewood, Bnghm.

#### REPRESENTATIVE.

Frank Fourniet, Wylam.

#### ALTERNATE.

A. G. Woodbury, Mobile.

#### PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

<p>Cornelius Cadle,<sup>2</sup> 1868-1870.  Datus E. Coon,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  George H. Patrick,<sup>2</sup> 1871-1880.  F. G. Sheppard,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  William H. Hunter,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  Seymour Bullock,<sup>2</sup> 1891 (died in office).  A. B. Hayes,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  William Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  J. Clyde Millar,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  Charles W. Buckley,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  Manoah Bostick,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  George F. Wollenhaupt,<sup>5</sup> 1896.  W. H. Black,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  A. G. Bethard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  A. P. Stone,<sup>5</sup> 1899.  George B. Randolph,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  G. F. Jackson,<sup>8</sup> Birmingham, 1901.  E. D. Bacon,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  R. H. Allison,<sup>2</sup> 1903.</p>	<p>Henry Chairsell, Birmingham, 1904.  A. G. Negley,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  A. N. Ballard,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  W. M. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  C. E. Peck,<sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).  C. A. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  Thomas R. Gockel,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  Henry M. Austin, Bedford, Va., 1910.  Charles C. Chapin,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  W. H. Brooks,<sup>5</sup> 1912.  Joseph Greenwood,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  Anson B. Culver,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  Charles A. Mange,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  J. J. Powers, Mobile, 1916.  E. F. Quinn, Birmingham, 1917.  Isaac W. Higgs, Citronelle, 1918.  A. W. Fulghum, Birmingham, 1919.  John A. Barr, Citronelle, 1920.  James Ashworth, Birmingham.</p>
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### ARIZONA (40).

[Organized Jan. 17, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 55; posts, 4.]

Department commander_____	Warren E. Day_____Prescott.
Senior vice department commander_____	J. Woodson_____Phoenix.
Junior vice department commander_____	Marion Abbott_____Phoenix.
Assistant adjutant general_____	J. P. Rhodes_____Phoenix.

#### REPRESENTATIVE.

Warren E. Day, Prescott.

#### ALTERNATE.

Milo Webb, Phoenix.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.



## ARIZONA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

A. L. Grow, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Arthur J. Judd, Prescott, 1905.
A. B. Sampson, Tucson, 1889.	James H. Creighton, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
George F. Coates, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	N. S. Fullmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
Edward Schwartz, <sup>2</sup> 1891-92.	A. J. Doran, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Douglas Snyder, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	D. P. Kyle, <sup>7</sup> Los Angeles, Calif., 1909.
Chas. D. Belden, Ben Avon, Pa., 1894.	E. S. Godfrey, <sup>8</sup> Cookstown, N. J., 1910.
W. F. R. Schindler, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	R. H. Green, Phoenix, 1911.
Archibald J. Sampson, <sup>9</sup> Phoenix, 1896.	James F. Duncan, Tombstone, 1912.
George Hoxworth, <sup>1</sup> 1897.	J. J. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1913 (died in office).
James Finley, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	George W. Reed, Prescott, 1913-14.
George Broughton, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	W. M. Grier, Phoenix, 1915.
R. H. G. Minty, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	George W. Barrows, Phoenix, 1916.
Prosper P. Parker, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	H. H. Farrington, Phoenix, 1917-18.
C. F. Schumacher, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	A. J. Christian, Phoenix, 1919.
George W. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	J. P. Rhodes, Phoenix, 1920.
C. M. Christy, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	W. J. Murphey, 1921.

## ARKANSAS (31).

[Organized July 11, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 238; posts, 11.]

Department commander-----	C. H. Parrish -----	Gentry.
Senior vice department commander-----	G. W. Carnes -----	Eureka Springs.
Junior vice department commander-----	W. H. Osborn -----	Siloam Springs.
Assistant adjutant general-----	W. H. Connie-----	Bentonville.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

T. F. Landreth, R. D. No. 1, England.  
J. E. Latham, Rogers.

## ALTERNATES.

J. P. Osborn, Siloam Springs.  
W. T. Kinney, Gentry.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Stephen Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1883-84.	Edward T. Wolfe, Mena, 1904.
C. M. Barnes, Guthrie, Okla., 1885.	W. S. Bartholomew, Mansfield, 1905.
C. C. Waters, Little Rock, 1886.	J. W. Lane, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Thomas Boles, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Cos Altenberg, <sup>8</sup> Little Rock, 1907.
S. K. Robinson, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Charles E. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
A. S. Fowler, <sup>10</sup> Little Rock, 1889-90.	A. Y. Killingsworth, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
W. H. H. Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. M. McClintock, De Valls Bluff, 1910.
Powell Clayton, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	R. J. Maxson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Logan H. Roots, <sup>2</sup> 1893 (died in office).	F. W. Tucker, Little Rock, 1912.
Thomas H. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1893-94.	A. S. Fowler, <sup>10</sup> Little Rock, 1913-14.
Wm. C. Roberts, Rogers, 1895.	Charles S. Warn, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
O. M. Spellman, Heber, 1896.	H. F. Wallace, Siloam Springs, 1916.
A. H. Soekland, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	O. J. Kyler, Little Rock, 1917.
W. G. Gray, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Horace Wyman, Bentonville, 1918.
George W. Clark, <sup>11</sup> Little Rock, 1899.	Samuel Henderson, Little Rock, 1919.
A. L. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	Jacob E. Leas, Little Rock, 1920.
W. G. Akers, Little Rock, 1901.	George W. Clark, Little Rock, 1921.
John H. Avery, Hot Springs, 1902-3.	

## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA (10).

[Organized Feb. 21, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 4,709; posts, 92.]

Department commander-----	S. W. Hopkins-----	Lodi, Calif.
Senior vice department commander-----	John T. Nourse-----	Palo Alto, Calif.
Junior vice department commander-----	Leroy W. Allum-----	Riverside, Calif.
Assistant adjutant general-----	George W. Ficks-----	Sacramento, Calif.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>11</sup> See also 1921.

## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

W. H. Sallada, Los Angeles.  
 T. M. Barrett, Glendale.  
 C. S. Stoddard, Santa Barbara.  
 R. M. Crouch, Los Angeles.  
 W. H. Amos, San Francisco.  
 W. J. Leiser, Santa Ana.  
 S. H. Enyeart, Los Angeles.  
 Clifford A. Fuller, Los Angeles.  
 Thomas L. Hull, Glendale.  
 M. H. Wager, Ocean Park.  
 R. N. Taylor, Glendale.  
 Levi Garrett, Kingsbury.  
 C. H. Mennet, Los Angeles.  
 Robert Lyon, Pasadena.  
 T. K. Stateler, San Francisco.  
 J. C. Lawrence, Pasadena.  
 S. W. Sutton, Santa Ana.  
 Arthur E. Vest, San Diego.  
 C. R. Norton, Glendale.  
 L. F. Hunt, Long Beach.  
 O. H. Marryatt, Santa Ana.  
 C. Henry Clark, Eagle Rock.  
 Cornelius Bird, Los Angeles.  
 A. W. Scudder, Glendale.  
 E. G. Wilkinson, Stockton.

## ALTERNATES.

R. M. Clifford, Long Beach.  
 A. M. Brown, San Bernardino.  
 B. B. Paul, San Diego.  
 H. J. Wallace, San Jose.  
 Jacob F. Force, Pasadena.  
 Joseph Quaid, Los Angeles.  
 S. D. Graves, Long Beach.  
 P. M. Morgan, Fresno.  
 W. M. Sanders, Santa Monica.  
 Charles Leech, Riverside.  
 A. E. Potter, Colusa.  
 Thomas L. Haines, Turlock.  
 C. N. Heath, Los Angeles.  
 W. B. Williams, Arroyo Grand.  
 D. H. Binkley, Long Beach.  
 J. D. Hogue, Sawtelle.  
 Seth H. Stone, Modesto.  
 M. L. Guth, Oakland.  
 A. J. Lapshire, Los Angeles.  
 A. V. Kendrick, Long Beach.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John F. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1867 (Provisional).  
 James Coey,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 W. L. Campbell,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 W. E. McArthur,<sup>2</sup> 1871-2.  
 W. H. Aiken,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 A. Carlson,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 A. C. Bagley,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 S. W. Backus,<sup>12</sup> San Francisco, 1877.  
 S. P. Ford,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 C. Mason Kinne,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 W. A. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 J. W. Staples,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. H. Warfield,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 W. R. Smedburg,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 E. S. Salomon,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 T. H. Goodman,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Geo. E. Gard,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 A. J. Buckles,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 W. H. L. Barnes,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 J. B. Fuller,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 E. C. Seymour, Highlands, 1893.  
 J. M. Walling, Nevada City, 1894.  
 C. E. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 T. C. Masteller,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 N. P. Chipman, San Francisco, 1897.

Sol. Cahen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 A. F. Dill,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Geo. M. Mott, Berkeley, 1900.  
 George Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. G. Hawley,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Wm. R. Shafter,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Chas. T. Rice,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 W. W. Russell, Berkeley, 1905.  
 Wm. C. Alberger, San Francisco, 1906.  
 Wm. G. Waters,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Samuel Merrill, Long Beach, 1908.  
 W. S. Daubenspeck, Los Angeles, 1909.  
 E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, 1910.  
 H. V. Parker, Los Angeles, 1911.  
 W. R. Thomas, Oakland, 1912.  
 G. M. Stormont, Pomona, 1913.  
 B. B. Tuttle, San Francisco, 1914.  
 Hiram P. Thompson, San Diego, 1915.  
 A. E. Leavitt, San Francisco, 1916.  
 C. H. Haskins, Los Angeles, 1917.  
 John H. Roberts,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 R. C. Martin, Veterans' Home, 1919.  
 George D. Kellogg,<sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).  
 G. M. Burlingame, Pasadena, 1920.  
 William H. Noll, Los Angeles, 1921.

Joseph S. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1877, transferred from Illinois.  
 W. V. Lucas, Santa Cruz, 1884-1886, transferred from South Dakota.  
 A. V. Cole, Long Beach, 1885, transferred from Nebraska.  
 E. T. Langley, Santa Ana, 1890, transferred from South Dakota.  
 William A. Bentley,<sup>2</sup> 1891, transferred from South Dakota.  
 J. J. Steadman, Hollywood, 1892, transferred from Iowa.  
 J. Clyde Millar,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Alabama.  
 J. P. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1894, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 Clarendon E. Adams,<sup>18</sup> Los Angeles, 1895, transferred from Nebraska.  
 James E. Burnes, Fresno, 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.



## CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA—Continued.

George Hoxworth,<sup>2</sup> 1897, transferred from Arizona.  
 O. H. Coulter,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Kansas.  
 M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900, transferred from Utah.  
 Perry H. Manchester, Los Angeles, 1900, transferred from Montana.  
 A. H. DeGroff, San Jose, 1901, transferred from Wisconsin.  
 James E. Burns, Fresno, 1901, transferred from Oklahoma.  
 John W. Edwards, National Soldiers' Home, 1902, transferred from New Mexico.  
 Thomas E. Blanchard, Santa Cruz, 1902, transferred from South Dakota.  
 John C. Gibson,<sup>5 6</sup> San Diego, 1902, transferred from New York.  
 R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
 D. P. Kyle, Los Angeles, 1921, transferred from Arizona.  
 Frank M. Davis, 1904, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 Philip Lawrence, Pomona, 1921, transferred from South Dakota.  
 George B. Loud, Culver City, 1921, transferred from New York.  
 W. M. Bostoph, Oakland, 1902, transferred from Utah.  
 U. S. Hollister, Hollywood, 1897, transferred from Colorado and Wyoming.  
 W. H. Wiscombe, Huntington Park, 1910, transferred from Washington and Alaska.  
 P. O. Stoner, Soldier's Home, 1913, transferred from Georgia and South Carolina.  
 O. D. McDonald, Santa Monica, 1920, transferred from Washington and Alaska.

## COLORADO AND WYOMING (21).

[Organized as the Department of Colorado in 1868; reorganized in 1876 as Department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado, July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming, Aug. 28, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,174; posts, 46.]

Department commander-----Samuel J. Capps-----La Veta.  
 Senior vice department commander Austin W. Hogle-----Home Lake.  
 Junior vice department commander J. C. Plank-----Grand Junction.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----William H. Comstock-----Denver.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

William Butler, Longmont.  
 H. M. Rhoads, Denver.  
 D. S. Strain, Grand Junction.  
 J. S. Fritz, Denver.  
 F. C. Barker, Denver.  
 C. Ricketts, Boulder.  
 George H. Young, Evans.

## ALTERNATES.

W. S. Kirby, Denver.  
 F. D. Hahnenkraft, Colorado Springs.  
 George Simmons, Grand Junction.  
 N. B. Yackey, Pueblo.  
 R. Q. Tenney, Manitou.  
 J. E. Laycock, Manitou.  
 I. J. E. Boler, Grand Junction.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. J. Bancroft,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Andrew Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 J. W. Donnellan,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 E. K. Stimson,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Byron L. Carr,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. V. Bohn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Henry Bowman,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George Ady,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 John W. Browning,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Thos. J. Fisher,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Delos L. Holden,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Geo. W. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 John C. Kennedy,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Myron W. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Nathaniel Rollins,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Nicholas J. O'Brien,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 H. O. Dodge, Boulder, Colo., 1896.  
 U. S. Hollister,<sup>7</sup> 1897.  
 W. T. S. May,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Andrew Royal,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 H. M. Oranhood,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Linus E. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 James W. Huff,<sup>4</sup> 1902.  
 H. S. Vaughn,<sup>2</sup> 1903.

Thomas J. Downen,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 George W. Curfman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 L. C. Dana,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 R. H. Mellette,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 H. C. Watson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John W. Wingate, Durango, Colo., 1909.  
 W. W. Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).  
 W. H. McDonald, Grand Junction, Colo., 1910.  
 Dexter T. Sapp,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 H. M. Minor, Rocky Ford, Colo., 1912.  
 C. A. Brooks, Denver, 1913.  
 O. S. Reed, Pueblo, Colo., 1914.  
 F. O. Burdick,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 James Moynahan,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 W. H. Comstock, Denver, Colo., 1917.  
 Asa Curl, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1918.  
 Carroll M. Bills, Denver, Colo., 1919.  
 Marshall S. Crawford,<sup>8</sup> Denver, 1920.  
 James F. Jewell, Fort Morgan, Colo., 1921.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>5</sup> See North Dakota.<sup>6</sup> See Oklahoma.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

## CONNECTICUT (6).

[Organized Apr. 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,200; posts, 55.]

Department commander-----	Orrin M. Price-----	Norwich.
Senior vice department commander---	William F. Sternberg-----	New Britain.
Junior vice department commander---	Albert C. Clark-----	South Norwalk.
Assistant adjutant general-----	William F. Smith-----	New Haven.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Adrian P. Sloan, Hartford.  
 George I. Burton, Norwalk.  
 J. H. Batterson, South Norwalk.  
 A. H. Armington, Killingly.  
 David W. Sharpe, New Haven.  
 Lafayette W. Starr, New London.

## ALTERNATES.

Burton S. Bradley, New Haven.  
 William H. Shaffer, Hartford.  
 Walter F. Hinckly, Waterbury.  
 H. P. Rugg, Bridgeport.  
 John Service, Norwich.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward Harland,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Theodore G. Ellis,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 William H. Mallory,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 L. A. Dickinson,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Charles L. Buckbee,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 William E. Disbrow,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 Frank G. Otis, 1878<sup>2</sup> (died in office).  
 Charles E. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 George S. Smith, Norwich, 1880.  
 Alfred B. Beers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Ira E. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Isaac B. Hyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 William Berry,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Frank D. Sloat,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 John T. Crary,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry E. Taintor,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Samuel B. Horne, Winsted, 1888.  
 William H. Pierpont,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 John C. Broatch,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Henry N. Fanton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Benajah E. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wilbur F. Rogers, Meriden, 1893.  
 Selah G. Blakeman, Derby, 1894.  
 John M. Brewer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Oscar W. Cornish,<sup>2</sup> 1896.

Gustav D. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William E. Simons,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Henry R. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John R. Bucklyn,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Thomas Boudren,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 N. Burton Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Morgan G. Bulkeley, Hartford, 1903.  
 William C. Hillard,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Albert A. May,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Virgil F. McNeil, New Haven, 1906.  
 Charles A. Appell,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Edward Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Haven, New London, 1909.  
 Richard J. Cutbill, Norwalk, 1911.  
 William H. Dougal, Preston, 1912.  
 James R. Sloane,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Fred V. Streeter, New Britain, 1914.  
 Charles Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Henry J. Seeley, Noroton, 1916.  
 Benjamin H. Cheney, New Haven, 1917.  
 Christian Quien,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 George T. Meich, Middletown, 1919.  
 Randolph Williamson,<sup>2</sup> 1920-21.  
 Christian Swartz, Norwalk, 1921.

## DELAWARE (23).

[Organized Jan. 14, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 165; posts, 11.]

Department commander-----	Charles Zerbey-----	Wilmington.
Senior vice department commander---	Nathaniel Henderson-----	Wilmington.
Junior vice department commander---	Charles R. Lewis-----	Bridgeville.
Assistant adjutant general-----	William G. Baugh, sr-----	Edgemoor.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Wesley E. Boulden, Ruthbee.  
 Charles Watters, Newark.

## ALTERNATES.

Elizur Hodge, Bellfont.  
 William W. Cameron.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.



## DELAWARE—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Wm. S. McNair,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 John Wainwright,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Daniel Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 C. M. Carey,<sup>5</sup> 1884.  
 J. S. Litzenberg,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 J. M. Dunn,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 J. E. Mowbrey, Dover, 1887.  
 R. G. Buckingham, Newark, 1888.  
 Peter B. Ayars,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Samuel Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. J. Woodman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 G. W. Stradley,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 B. D. Bogia,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. E. Vantine,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 E. F. Wood, Dover, 1895.  
 Wm. B. Norton,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 J. S. Bradley,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Robert Liddell, 1898.  
 Wm. H. Moystin,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Wm. A. Reilly, 1900.  
 John W. Worrall,<sup>2</sup> 1901.

John C. Garner,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Wm. G. Baugh, sr.,<sup>9</sup> Edgemoor, 1903.  
 William Kelley, jr.,<sup>8</sup> Wilmington, 1904.  
 William Tharp,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Ira Lunt,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Jesse Hellings, Willow Grove, Pa., 1907.  
 H. W. Perkins, Wilmington, 1908.  
 Wm. H. Blake,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 George C. Morton, Wilmington, 1910.  
 Wm. Mendenhall, Wilmington, 1911.  
 Jesse K. Baylis, Wilmington, 1912.  
 J. Rankin Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 John T. Reihms,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 John P. Riley, Wilmington, 1915.  
 S. Sheward Johnson, Wilmington, 1916.  
 J. T. Alexander, Wilmington, 1917.  
 Orrin J. Cook, Lincoln, 1918.  
 R. H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 C. A. W. Frishmuth, Wilmington, 1920.  
 William A. Truitt, Milford, 1921.

## FLORIDA (36).

[Organized June 19, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 674; posts, 23.]

Department commander-----	C. J. Rose-----	Miami.
Senior vice department commander-----	James Campbell-----	St. Cloud.
Junior vice department commander-----	Christian Peters-----	Tampa.
Assistant adjutant general-----	E. V. Blackman-----	Miami.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

William R. Hoyt, Buena Vista.  
 George Atwood, Bellaire.  
 S. T. Hill, Clear Water.  
 Charles Garrett, Tampa.

## ALTERNATES.

Irvin Hutchinson, Miami.  
 Christian Peters, Tampa.  
 Rev. H. D. Shaffer, Lakeland.  
 J. H. Simpson, Zephyrhills.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

T. S. Wilmarth, Jacksonville, 1884-85.  
 G. H. Norton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 E. W. Henck, Plainfield, N. J., 1887.  
 William James,<sup>10</sup> Jacksonville, 1888.  
 J. W. V. R. Plummer,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Fred S. Goodrich,<sup>18</sup> 1890.  
 John H. Welsh, Miami, 1891.  
 J. De V. Hazzard,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Geo. F. Foote, Washington, D. C., 1893.  
 David L. Way, Jacksonville, 1894.  
 P. E. McMurray, Jacksonville, 1895.  
 L. Y. Jenness,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Chas. M. Ellis, Jacksonville, 1897.  
 Geo. H. Packwood, Tampa, 1898.  
 Edwin Kirby,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 J. S. Fairhead,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 F. G. Parcell,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 S. Herbert Lancy,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 J. F. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Henry Marcotte, St. Augustine, 1904.

Thos. J. Owen,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 William E. Emerson,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Samuel W. Fox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 S. R. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James Skinner, St. Augustine, 1909.  
 James O. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Joseph Bumby,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 William P. Lynch,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Wm. S. Siggins,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Lyman Leighton, St. Petersburg, 1914.  
 James F. Bullard, St. Cloud, 1915.  
 W. H. Melrath,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 John A. Wallace,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 H. B. Jeffries,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Theo. W. B. Brake,<sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).  
 Geo. E. Field, Jacksonville, 1919.  
 Imri A. Spencer, St. Petersburg, 1920.  
 G. W. Brown, St. Cloud, 1921.

A. P. Rounseville, Lemon City, 1895, transferred from North Dakota.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>13</sup> Honors lost by withdrawal from order.

## GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA (41).

[Organized Jan. 25, 1889. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 104; posts, 6.]

Department commander-----	A. M. Crosby-----	Smyrna, Ga.
Senior vice department commander-----	Patrick Ryan-----	Savannah, Ga.
Junior vice department commander-----	John Shellenberger-----	Atlanta, Ga.
Assistant adjutant general-----	G. E. Whitman-----	Fitzgerald, Ga.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

W. J. Eyestone, Augusta, Ga.

## ALTERNATE.

J. W. Howder, Fitzgerald, Ga.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John R. Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 David Porter,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. E. Sholes, Flushing, N. Y., 1891.  
 Thos. F. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1892-93.  
 C. T. Watson,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 L. B. Nelson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John L. Clem,<sup>12</sup> Washington, D. C., 1896.  
 James P. Averill,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 James O. Ladd, Summerville, S. C., 1898.  
 Alex. Mattison, Atlanta, Ga., 1899.  
 S. A. Darnell,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Lewis Thayer,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. M. Scott,<sup>10</sup> Atlanta, Ga., 1902.  
 F. D. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James A. Commeford,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Chas. F. Fairbanks,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

Wm. H. Kimball, Tallapoosa, Ga., 1906.  
 O. P. Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Leander Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Chas. R. Haskins, Atlanta, Ga., 1909.  
 S. C. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 F. A. Jones, Tallapoosa, Ga., 1911.  
 C. H. Brooks,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 P. Q. Stoner,<sup>7</sup> California, 1913.  
 I. C. Wade, Cornelia, Ga., 1914.  
 W. B. Todd,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 R. S. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 G. E. Whitman,<sup>14</sup> Fitzgerald, Ga., 1917.  
 W. P. Randall, Atlanta, Ga., 1918.  
 J. M. Mosher, Fitzgerald, Ga., 1919.  
 Ira M. Swartz, Atlanta, Ga., 1920.  
 C. J. Hitch. Fitzgerald, Ga., 1921.

## IDAHO (39).

[Organized Jan. 11, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 334; posts, 16.]

Department commander-----	William Bower-----	Boise.
Senior vice department commander-----	R. E. Smith-----	Idaho Falls.
Junior vice department commander-----	A. A. Taylor-----	Boise.
Assistant adjutant general-----	J. B. Giles-----	Boise.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. L. Langly, Boise.  
 James M. Gill, Boise.

## ALTERNATES.

J. B. Wintly, Boise.  
 D. M. Berdue, Coeur d'Alene.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. Nye,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 A. S. Senter,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 W. T. Riley,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Judson Spofford, Boise, 1891.  
 A. O. Ingalls, Murray, 1892.  
 R. H. Barton, Moscow, 1893.  
 T. J. Groome,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 D. H. Budlong,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 J. L. Fuller, Shoshone, 1896.  
 Lindol Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 N. F. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 S. L. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Charles A. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 William C. Maxey,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 Geo. M. Parsons,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 E. S. Whittier,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 C. F. Drake, Weiser, 1904.

Geo. A. Manning,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Alfred Anderson, Boise, 1906.  
 A. M. Rowe,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Wm. K. Jameson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Stewart Young, Rathdrum, 1909.  
 Willard White, Boise, 1910.  
 M. W. Wood,<sup>15</sup> Boise, 1911.  
 Jas. W. Shields, Twin Falls, 1912.  
 A. G. Nettleton, Nampa, 1913.  
 H. J. Newhouse,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Wm. H. Cable,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 R. H. Barnes, Twin Falls, 1916.  
 Geo. F. Kimery,<sup>8</sup> Boise, 1917.  
 F. T. Page, Weiser, 1918.  
 Silas Wilson, Nampa, 1919.  
 John Carr, Coeur d'Alene, 1920.  
 William S. Hawkes, Caldwell, 1921.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.<sup>14</sup> National council of administration; assistant adjutant general.<sup>15</sup> Surgeon general.



## ILLINOIS (1).

[Organized Apr. 6, 1866. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 6,426; posts, 317.]

Department commander-----	E. P. Barlett-----	Springfield.
Senior vice department commander-----	J. G. Oulson-----	Godfrey.
Junior vice department commander-----	E. B. West-----	Augusta.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Henry C. Cooke-----	Chicago.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

W. H. Sammons, Springfield.  
 S. M. Titus, Chicago.  
 Philip Smith, Peoria.  
 Samuel I. Pope, Libertyville.  
 C. T. Marsh, Rockford.  
 James H. Lewis, Chicago.  
 E. R. Lewis, Chicago.  
 O. L. Munger, Chicago.  
 Charles Smith, Chicago.  
 John B. Thomas, Chicago.  
 William D. Broomhead, Chicago.  
 John Carmichael, Chicago.  
 W. J. Libberton, Chicago.  
 James Buggie, Chicago.  
 Victor Hubbel, Chicago.  
 S. F. Greenleaf, Waukegan.  
 William M. Hanna, Aurora.  
 Lewis F. Lake, Rockford.  
 James M. Brown, Freeport.  
 R. C. First, Rock Island.  
 Thomas Caddick, Quincy.  
 Samuel White, Peoria.  
 Henry Gebhardt, Bloomington.  
 J. P. Bailey, Danville.  
 Walter E. Price, Champaign.  
 L. Goheen, Jacksonville.  
 H. B. Davidson, Springfield.  
 H. D. Preble, Alton.  
 D. C. Zimmerman, Vandalia.  
 C. R. McKenney, Chicago.  
 E. J. Ingersoll, Carbondale.  
 W. H. H. Pierce, Chicago.  
 Walter F. Sargent, Chicago.

## ALTERNATES.

J. L. Dannenhower, Chicago.  
 F. J. Rheyner, Chicago.  
 Wesley Diffey, Wilmington.  
 Henry Barnard, Chicago.  
 H. M. Pease, Chicago.  
 Newton Brett, Chicago.  
 M. L. Rehner, Evanston.  
 J. C. Deegan, Ransom.  
 H. Brener, Dixon.  
 R. H. Mead, Augusta.  
 R. I. Law, Galesburg.  
 Elijah Mason, Washington.  
 James Gilchrist, Lincoln.  
 Johnson Gammel, Danville.  
 Daniel B. Culp, Decatur.  
 A. A. Lorton, White Hall.  
 H. H. Biggs, Springfield.  
 J. P. Bennett, East St. Louis.  
 J. T. Cunningham, Centralia.  
 B. F. Biggs, Cobden.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

B. F. Stephenson, <sup>2</sup> 1866.	Edwin Harlan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.
John M. Palmer, <sup>2</sup> 1866-68.	Edward A. Blodgett, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
Charles E. Lippincott, <sup>2</sup> 1871.	H. H. McDowell, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
Guy T. Gould, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	William H. Powell, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
H. Hillard, <sup>2</sup> 1874-76.	W. G. Cochran, Sullivan, Ill., 1896.
Joseph S. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	A. L. Schimpff, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
T. B. Coulter, Canon City, Colo., 1878.	John C. Black, <sup>2</sup> 1898.
Edgar D. Swain, <sup>2</sup> 1879-80.	John B. Inman, <sup>8</sup> Springfield, Ill., 1899.
J. W. Burst, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	J. M. Longnecker, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
Thomas G. Lawler, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	N. B. Thistlewood, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
Samuel A. Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	H. M. Trimble, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
L. T. Dickason, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	Benson Wood, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
W. W. Berry, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Robert Mann Woods, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Philip Sidney Post, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	John C. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
A. C. Sweetser, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	Edwin H. Buck, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
James A. Sexton, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	A. C. Mathews, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
James S. Martin, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Joseph Rosenbaum, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
William L. Distin, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Philip C. Hayes, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Horace S. Clark, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	James A. Connolly, <sup>2</sup> 1910.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

## ILLINOIS—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

C. C. Duffy,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thomas H. Gault,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 J. H. Crowder, Bethany, Ill., 1913.  
 Samuel Fallows,<sup>2</sup> Chicago, Ill., 1914.  
 John M. Snyder, Canton, Ill., 1915.  
 W. F. Calhoun, Decatur, Ill., 1916.

C. S. Bentley, LaGrange, 1917.  
 Joseph W. Fifer, Bloomington, 1918.  
 Henry D. Fulton, Chicago, 1919.  
 Edwin N. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 William P. Wright, Chicago, 1921.

Milton Stewart, Chicago, 1885, transferred from Kansas.  
 Charles M. Travis,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from Indiana.

## INDIANA (20).

[Organized Aug. 20, 1866. Reorganized Oct. 3, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 5,543; posts, 208.]

Department commander	-----	William A. Kelsey	-----	Fort Wayne.
Senior vice department commander	---	Virgil T. Chance	-----	Connersville.
Junior vice department commander	---	James W. Spain	-----	Evansville.
Assistant adjutant general	-----	Albert J. Ball	-----	Indianapolis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. C. Schreeder, Evansville.  
 Edward Truax, Kokomo.  
 R. M. Morton, Princeton.  
 James. Ransom, Bloomington.  
 John Elliott, Martinsville.  
 Louis Bir, New Albany.  
 George Sawdon, Aurora.  
 F. W. Kassebaum, Aurora.  
 George W. Hill, Shelbyville.  
 A. W. Saint, New Castle.  
 James F. Bird, Indianapolis.  
 Daniel H. McAbee, Indianapolis.  
 Frank M. Hay, Indianapolis.  
 M. E. Baylor, Elwood.  
 George Coates, Winchester.  
 W. E. Whittinghill, Lebanon.  
 W. A. Young, Kokomo.  
 S. D. Watson, Tipton.  
 W. C. Gerard, Lafayette.  
 Louis La Deur, Valparaiso.  
 James P. Ross, Wabash.  
 John A. Clevenger, N. Manchester.  
 J. H. Hoffman, Ligonier.  
 Joseph Kickley, Fort Wayne.  
 A. Hunneshagen, Kewanna.  
 V. L. Marx, Elkhart.  
 H. T. Storm, Terre Haute.  
 Horace Martin, South Bend.  
 Edward O'Neil, Terre Haute.

## ALTERNATES.

William D. Wilson, Indianapolis.  
 G. D. Martin, Petersburg.  
 James Kilmartin, Princeton.  
 William Brewer, Worthington.  
 Frank McNair, Martinsville.  
 John March, New Albany.  
 W. F. Kendall, Columbus.  
 Phillip W. Brown, Franklin.  
 Henry Dorsett, Green Castle.  
 James B. Nosler, Terre Haute.  
 John Bellman, Richmond.  
 J. C. Wicker, Shelbyville.  
 I. S. Wagner, Indianapolis.  
 Vinson Carter, Indianapolis.  
 C. W. Chappell, Indianapolis.  
 E. S. Fisher, Bluffton.  
 Eli M. Thornberg, Muncie.  
 Frazier Thomas, Delphi.  
 D. S. Shafer, Kokomo.  
 George W. Brigham, Otterbein.  
 L. S. Ross, Lafayette.  
 Frederick H. Hartel, Logansport.  
 C. E. Hale, Logansport.  
 William Engle, Fort Wayne.  
 Joseph Hersch, Fort Wayne.  
 B. E. Bear, Mill Creek.  
 I. N. Brown, Knox.  
 S. D. Hathaway, Warsaw.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Robert S. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1866-68.  
 Nathan Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 Oliver M. Wilson,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 Louis Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Jonathan B. Hager,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Samuel E. Armstrong,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William W. Dudley,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James R. Carnahan,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 Edwin Nicar,<sup>2</sup> 1884.

David N. Foster, Fort Wayne, 1885.  
 Thomas W. Bennett,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Ira J. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Argus D. Vanosdol,<sup>1</sup> Madison, 1888.  
 Chas. M. Travis,<sup>2 19</sup> 1889.  
 Gil R. Stormont, Princeton, 1890.  
 Ivan N. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Joseph B. Cheadle,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 James T. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>19</sup> See Illinois.



## INDIANA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Albert O. Marsh, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Orlando A. Somers, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Harvey B. Shively, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Alexander P. Asbury, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Henry M. Caylor, Noblesville, 1896.	Daniel Waugh, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
James S. Dodge, Elkhart, 1897.	Frank Swigart, <sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office)
Daniel Ryan, Morristown, 1898.	Wilber E. Gorsuch, South Bend, 1912.
William L. Dunlap, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Daniel W. Comstock, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
David E. Beem, Spencer, 1900.	A. B. Crampton, <sup>17</sup> 1914.
Milton Garrigus, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Lewis King, Columbus, 1915.
Benjamin Starr, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	V. V. Williams, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
George W. Grubbs, Martinsville, 1903.	Samuel M. Hensch, Fort Wayne, 1917.
Daniel R. Lucas, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	Alonzo Murphy, <sup>8</sup> Greensburg, 1918.
Marine D. Tackett, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	William F. Medsker, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
Edmund R. Brown, Winamac, 1906.	Robt. W. McBride, <sup>3</sup> Indianapolis, Ind.
William A. Ketcham, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Richard H. Tyner, New Castle, 1921.
John D. Alexander, Springville, 1908.	

## IOWA (19).

[Organized Sept. 26, 1866. Reorganized Jan. 23, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 4,433; posts, 236.]

Department commander-----	L. J. Kron-----	Hampton.
Senior vice department commander-----	George Hunter-----	Iowa City.
Junior vice department commander-----	Edward Vial-----	Adel.
Assistant adjutant general-----	J. P. Risley-----	Davenport.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. O. Stewart, Cedar Rapids.  
 J. W. Scott, Washington.  
 Herman Gast, Wapello.  
 John Lindsay, Marengo.  
 James Corbin, Muscatine.  
 W. W. Gist, Cedar Falls.  
 E. L. Sweet, Manchester.  
 S. B. Myrick, Mason City.  
 J. J. Earl, West Union.  
 George F. Wass, Grundy City.  
 J. B. Classen, Marshalltown.  
 W. H. Shaw, Oskaloosa.  
 J. J. Feenan, Ottumwa.  
 W. F. Putnam, Knoxville.  
 Frank Dagle, Des Moines.  
 E. H. Scales, Corydon.  
 John Holden, Mt. Ayr.  
 J. A. Evans, Greenfield.  
 C. Teeman, Villisca.  
 S. C. Spear, Algona.  
 W. C. Condon, Rockwell City.  
 M. W. Gardner, Sioux City.  
 J. C. McCoy, Spencer.

## ALTERNATES.

J. C. F. Wead, Washington.  
 W. C. Saunders, Wapello.  
 J. M. Wheeler, Clinton.  
 S. E. Walcott, Davenport.  
 J. Fowler, Manchester.  
 A. H. Wheat, Waterloo.  
 George Tyler, Mason City.  
 S. A. Peterson, Nashua.  
 C. H. Kurtz, Marion.  
 F. L. Sheldon, Tipton.  
 A. C. Stone, Ottumwa.  
 W. V. Wilcox, Des Moines.  
 J. E. Kent, Perry.  
 T. F. Willis, Clarinda.  
 P. L. Fowler, Osceola.  
 A. B. Walker, Council Bluff.  
 D. D. Pettit, Greenfield.  
 C. E. Rodgers, Boone.  
 J. L. Good, Boone.  
 Samuel Strader, Sioux City.  
 W. C. Jones, Spencer.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Parrott, <sup>2</sup> 1874-75.	E. A. Consigny, <sup>2</sup> 1888.
A. A. Perkins, <sup>2</sup> 1876-78.	Chas. H. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1889.
H. E. Griswold, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Mason P. Mills, <sup>2</sup> 1890.
W. F. Conrad, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Chas. L. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1891.
Peter V. Carey, Des Moines, 1881.	J. J. Steadman, <sup>7</sup> Hollywood, Calif., 1892.
George B. Hugin, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Phil Schaller, <sup>2</sup> 1893.
John B. Cook, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	Geo. A. Newman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.
E. G. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	J. K. P. Thompson, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
W. R. Manning, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Josiah Given, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
W. A. McHenry, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	A. H. Evans, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
J. M. Tuttle, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>17</sup> See Wisconsin.

## IOWA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

R. W. Tirrell, Manchester, 1898.  
 C. F. Bailey, Fergus Falls, Minn., 1899.  
 M. B. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 George Metzger, Davenport, 1901.  
 John Lindt,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 L. B. Raymond,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 R. T. St. John, Riceville, 1904.  
 S. H. Harper,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 C. A. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 D. J. Palmer,<sup>18</sup> Washington, 1907.  
 J. C. Milliman, Logan, 1908.  
 M. McDonald, Bayard, 1909.

H. A. Dyer,<sup>3</sup> 1910.  
 Lot Abraham,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. D. Brown, Leon, 1912.  
 J. W. Willett,<sup>8</sup> Tama, 1913.  
 Byron C. Ward, Des Moines, 1914.  
 John E. Merry,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 John H. Mills, Redfield, 1916.  
 J. L. Farrington, Iowa Falls, 1917.  
 E. J. C. Bealer, Cedar Rapids, 1918.  
 A. G. Beatty, Independence, 1919.  
 R. L. Chase, Des Moines, 1920.  
 J. B. Harsh, Creston, 1921.

## KANSAS (22).

[Organized Dec. 7, 1866. Reorganized Mar. 16, 1880. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 4,395 ; posts, 235.]

Department commander-----	William W. Denison-----	Topeka.
Senior vice department commander---	D. B. Clum-----	Parsons.
Junior vice department commander---	J. T. Weaver-----	Winfield.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Chas. H. King-----	Topeka.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. C. Collins, Lawrence.  
 Geo. Plumb, Emporia.  
 John Davidson, Junction City.  
 Wesley Harbison, Jewell City.  
 J. A. Arment, Dodge City.  
 H. S. Hallock, Topeka.  
 S. D. Woodard, Nat'l Military Home.  
 J. E. Henderson, Iola.  
 M. R. Harris, Ottawa.  
 John E. Pickard, Winfield.  
 O. T. Romig, Coffeyville.  
 Nathan Hudson, Emporia.  
 B. F. Timmons, Peabody.  
 W. T. Short, Concordia.  
 E. J. Goubleman, Wilson.  
 M. Haffamier, Hays.  
 G. W. Kanavel, Wichita.  
 S. T. Criss, Lawrence.  
 E. Richardson, Ft. Dodge.  
 Henry Barnard, Topeka.  
 W. A. Bosworth, Wichita.  
 C. H. Hoyt, Lawrence.  
 D. L. Abbott, Winfield.

## ALTERNATES.

C. F. Ackley, Peabody.  
 E. R. Haynes, Glasco.  
 Angelo Colson, Iona.  
 G. W. Harrison, Belle Plaine.  
 D. L. Sweeney, Belle Plaine.  
 W. W. Palmer, Glasco.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

John A. Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 John C. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 W. S. Jenkins,<sup>2 4</sup> 1872-73.  
 Stephen A. Cobb,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 John Guthrie,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 J. H. Gilpatrick,<sup>2</sup> 1877-78.  
 J. C. Walkinshaw,<sup>2</sup> 1879-82.  
 Thomas J. Anderson,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Homer W. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Milton J. Stewart,<sup>10</sup> Chicago, Ill., 1885.  
 C. J. McDivitt,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 T. H. Soward,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 J. W. Feighan,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Henry Booth,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Ira F. Collins, Sabetha, 1890.  
 Timothy McCarthy,<sup>2</sup> 1891.

Bernard Kelley, Topeka, 1892.  
 A. R. Green,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 W. P. Campbell, Wichita, 1894.  
 John P. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 W. C. Whitney,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Theo. Botkin,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 D. W. Eastman,<sup>2 6</sup> 1898.  
 O. H. Coulter,<sup>2 7</sup> 1899.  
 W. W. Martin, National Military Home, 1900.  
 J. B. Remington,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 H. C. Loomis,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Abraham W. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Charles Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 P. H. Coney, Topeka, 1905-06.  
 R. A. Campbell, Hutchinson, 1907.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> See Missouri.

<sup>6</sup> See Oklahoma.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>10</sup> See Illinois.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.



KANSAS—Continued.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

W. A. Morgan, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	R. M. Painter, Meade, 1916.
Joel H. Rickel, Chanute, 1909.	A. C. Pierce, Junction City, 1917.
Nathan E. Harmon, <sup>2</sup> 1910.	W. W. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1918.
T. P. Anderson, <sup>2</sup> 1911.	Theodore Gardner, Lawrence, 1919.
J. N. Harrison, Topeka, 1912-13.	Joseph A. Walter, Great Bend, 1920.
Ira D. Brougher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.	George P. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1921.
C. A. Meek, Wichita, 1915.	E. W. Bowman, Wichita, 1921.

KENTUCKY (27).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1833. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 475 ; posts, 43.]

Department commander-----	John T. English-----	Prospect.
Senior vice department commander---	Albert Scott-----	Louisville.
Junior vice department commander---	Orange T. Frye-----	Danville.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John Barr-----	Lebanon.

REPRESENTATIVES.

William G. Steward, Frankfort.  
C. C. Furr, Frankfort.  
Sandy Brooks, Louisville.

ALTERNATES.

William H. Phoff, Louisville.  
Samuel Whitney, Glasgow.  
Charles Hall, Louisville.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

J. C. Michie, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	T. F. Beyland, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
W. H. Harton, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	W. G. Foree, Indianapolis, Ind., 1903.
George W. Northrup, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	William T. Bausmith, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Thos. Z. Morrow, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Bernard Mathews, Louisville, 1905.
William Bowman, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	George T. Grimstead, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Orrin A. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Le Vant Dodge, <sup>10</sup> Berea, 1907-8.
Vincent Boreing, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	R. B. Hewetson, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Michael Minton, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Sanford D. Van Pelt, Danville, 1910.
Samuel G. Hillis, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Charles C. Degman, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Edward H. Hobson, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John Barr, <sup>9</sup> Lebanon, 1912.
T. Edward Livezey, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	W. J. L. Hughes, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Daniel O'Riley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Edwin Farley, Paducah, 1914.
Robert M. Kelly, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	John T. Gunn, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Americus Whedon, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Sam D. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
Andrew J. Tharp, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. R. Howard, Lexington, 1917.
J. W. Hammond, Louisville, 1898.	T. A. Casey, Dayton, 1918.
Joseph H. Browning, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Andrew Offutt, <sup>2</sup> 1919.
L. M. Drye, Bradfordsville, 1900.	M. H. Davidson, Louisville, 1920.
John Blaes, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	Jacob Seibert, Louisville, 1921.

LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI (35).

[Organized as the Department of the Gulf, May 15, 1884. Changed to Louisiana and Mississippi, June 13, 1888. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 224 ; posts, 16.]

Department commander-----	E. J. Shearman-----	New Orleans.
Senior vice department commander---	Jules Narcis-----	New Orleans.
Junior vice department commander---	John Wright-----	Vicksburg.
Assistant adjutant general-----	E. K. Russ-----	New Orleans.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Basile Ulgere, New Orleans.  
Leonard Alexander, Baton Rouge.

ALTERNATES.

Elihu A. Robinson, Amelia.  
I. W. Cornelius, Baton Rouge.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>2</sup> Assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

## LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William Roy,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 J. W. Scully,<sup>2,7</sup> 1885.  
 A. S. Badger,<sup>2</sup> 1888-89.  
 Charles H. Shute,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Chas. W. Keeting,<sup>2</sup> 1894-1899, 1902-1904.  
 F. C. Antoine,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Paul Bruce, New Orleans, 1901.  
 J. S. Davidson, New Orleans, 1905.  
 P. H. Boyle,<sup>2</sup> 1906-7.

James Lewis,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 J. A. Brookshire, Beaumont, Tex., 1909.  
 E. K. Russ,<sup>10</sup> New Orleans, La., 1910-1915.  
 E. T. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1916-1918.  
 H. N. Singleton,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 John Pierce, New Orleans, La., 1920.  
 Lewis Herman, New Orleans, La., 1921.

## MAINE (9).

[Organized Jan. 10, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,434; posts, 101.]

Department commander	-----	George E. Gay	-----	Augusta.
Senior vice department commander	-----	George O. D. Soule	-----	Portland.
Junior vice department commander	-----	Henry L. Mitchell	-----	Bangor.
Assistant adjutant general	-----	F. A. Motley	-----	Portland.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John ManRoe, Mechanic Falls.  
 Thomas N. Ayer, Alna.  
 A. H. Pratt, Howes Corner.  
 A. W. Gray, East Brownfield.  
 Alonzo Rollins, Portland.  
 O. F. Glidden, Portland.  
 C. H. Blackstone, Fairfield.  
 Austin Bragg, Waterville.  
 Hezekiah Elwell, Westbrook.

## ALTERNATES.

Henry M. Griggs, Portland.  
 Knowles Bangs, Freedom.  
 S. E. Yates, Calais.  
 George W. Smith, Walnut Hill.  
 George T. Benson, Oakland.  
 C. T. Wardwell, Mechanic Falls.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George L. Beal,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 Charles P. Mattocks,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 Daniel White,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Seldon Connor,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 Nelson Howard,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 John D. Myrick,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 Augustus C. Hamlin,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Windsor B. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 Isaac S. Bangs,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 William G. Haskell,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Augustus B. Farnham,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Elisha M. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Benjamin Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 James A. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Samuel W. Lane,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Richard K. Gatley,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Horace H. Burbank,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Franklin M. Drew, Lewiston, 1889.  
 John D. Anderson, Gray, 1890.  
 Samuel D. Miller,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Isaac Dyer,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Wainwright Cushing,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. Wesley Gilman,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 William H. Green,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Lorenzo D. Carver,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Leroy T. Carleton, Winthrop, 1897.

Charles A. Southard,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Frederick Robie,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Seth T. Snipe,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 William Z. Clayton, Bangor, 1901.  
 James L. Merrick, Waterville, 1902.  
 Joshua L. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Edwin C. Milliken,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Henry O. Perry,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Frederick S. Walls,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Frank F. Goss,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Woodbury K. Dana, Westbrook, 1908.  
 Augustus W. McCausland,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 John W. Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Edwin Riley,<sup>8</sup> Livermore Falls, 1911.  
 William H. Holston, Cumberland Mills, 1912.  
 John F. Lamb,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Thomas S. Benson, Sidney, 1914.  
 Simon S. Andrews, Biddeford, 1915.  
 Tobias L. Eastman, Fryeberg, 1916.  
 John Quincy Adams, Houlton, 1917.  
 Fred A. Motley,<sup>9</sup> Portland, 1918.  
 George W. Goulding, Oakland, 1919.  
 Henry E. Merriam, Gardiner, 1920.  
 Edward A. Butler, Rockland, 1921.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See Georgia and South Carolina.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.



## MARYLAND (16).

[Organized Jan. 8, 1868. Reorganized Jan. 9, 1876. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 761; posts, 43.]

Department commander ----- George T. Leech ----- Baltimore.  
 Senior vice department commander --- Joshua Thomas ----- Hagerstown.  
 Junior vice department commander --- George Schneider ----- Baltimore.  
 Assistant adjutant general ----- Robert C. Sunstrom ----- Baltimore.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John H. Brandt, Baltimore.  
 W. F. Focke, Baltimore.  
 William T. Knierle, Baltimore.  
 James T. Mitchell, Baltimore.  
 Thomas Wheatherstone, Baltimore.

## ALTERNATES.

A. A. Camp, Cumberland.  
 J. A. Barnett, Baltimore.  
 Samuel T. Dixon, Baltimore.  
 Josiah Martin, Baltimore.  
 William Gallion, Baltimore.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Andrew W. Dennison,<sup>2</sup> 1867-8-9.  
 E. W. Goldsborough,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 E. T. Daneker, Baltimore, 1871.  
 Adam E. King,<sup>2</sup> 1872.  
 E. B. Tyler,<sup>2</sup> 1876-7-8.  
 W. E. Griffith,<sup>21</sup> 1879.  
 W. E. W. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 Graham Dukehart, Baltimore, 1882.  
 John Suter,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Frank M. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John W. Horn,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Geo. W. F. Vernon,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Henry P. Underhill,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Theodore F. Lang,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Geo. F. Wheeler, Baltimore, 1889.  
 George R. Graham,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Joseph C. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Wallace A. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Frank Nolen,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Myron I. Rose,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Oliver A. Horner,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 A. S. Cooper,<sup>2</sup> 1896.

George W. Johnson,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David L. Stanton,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Lewis M. Zimmerman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 John R. King,<sup>18</sup> Baltimore, 1900.  
 John G. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 John W. Worth,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 William Stahl,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 James Campbell, Barton, 1904.  
 Richard N. Bowerman,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>20</sup> Baltimore, 1906.  
 Fred C. Tarr,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Robt. C. Sunstrom,<sup>9</sup> Baltimore, 1908.  
 Benjamin F. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Wm. J. Vannort, Chestertown, 1910.  
 John T. Holmes, Baltimore, 1911.  
 George Prechtel,<sup>20</sup> Baltimore, 1912.  
 Charles N. Emich, Baltimore, 1913.  
 Albert K. Young, Bridgeton, N. J., 1914.  
 Joseph Brooks, Baltimore, 1915.  
 James E. Van Sant,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 F. Walter Giles, Baltimore, 1917-18.  
 Geo. T. Leech,<sup>11</sup> Baltimore, 1919-20-21.

## MASSACHUSETTS (7).

[Organized May 7, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 4,698; posts, 188.]

Department commander ----- Henry Clark ----- Cambridge.  
 Senior vice department commander --- George W. Pratt ----- Stoughton.  
 Junior vice department commander --- Benjamin A. Ham ----- Dorchester.  
 Assistant adjutant general ----- Eben W. Pike ----- Boston.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

W. J. Hargraves, West Roxbury.  
 John H. Lawrence, New Bedford.  
 Obed H. Ellis, Whitman.  
 Lucius M. Fuller, Middleboro.  
 W. B. Webber, Brookline.  
 J. E. Bronson, East Dedham.  
 David King, Everett.  
 W. G. Whitney, Boston.  
 W. E. Carlson, Newburyport.  
 E. M. Libbey, Lynn.  
 James R. Hamilton.  
 A. L. Marshall.  
 Joseph Bowers, Fall River.  
 F. J. O'Reilly, Cambridge.  
 George Rouillard, Revere.

## ALTERNATES.

A. B. Pierce, Natick.  
 George Jenks, New Bedford.  
 W. S. Groton, Brockton.  
 William H. Nash, Abington.  
 H. Holmes, Stoughton.  
 H. A. Monk, South Braintree.  
 Frank Prescott, Revere.  
 C. B. Yeaton, Chelsea.  
 John Welch, Brighton.  
 O. F. Hatch, Newburyport.  
 George E. Dow, Lynn.  
 A. H. Sutherland, Wakefield.  
 Martin Stover, Haverhill.  
 L. E. Felton, Natick.  
 A. P. Snow, Webster.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>11</sup> Department commander.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

<sup>20</sup> Department commander in 1906 and 1912.

<sup>21</sup> Transferred.

## MASSACHUSETTS—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

John Flood, Newton.  
 Edwin P. Smith.  
 W. F. Brown, Framingham.  
 Henri Batchelder, Everett.  
 James Beatty, Waltham.  
 Charles E. Morey, Worcester.  
 John W. Fairbanks, Westboro.  
 George W. Corey, Southboro.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

Alvin Holman, Natick.  
 E. A. Howe, Grafton.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Austin S. Cushman,<sup>2</sup> 1866–67.  
 A. B. R. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Francis A. Osborn,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 James L. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 William Cogswell,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 Henry R. Sibley,<sup>4</sup> 1872.  
 Adin B. Underwood,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 John W. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 George S. Merrill,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Horace B. Sargent,<sup>2</sup> 1876–78.  
 John G. B. Adams,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 John A. Hawes,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 George W. Creasey,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 George H. Patch,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 George S. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 John D. Billings, Allston, 1884.  
 John W. Hersey,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Richard F. Tobin,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Charles D. Nash,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Myron P. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George L. Goodale,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George H. Innis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Arthur A. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 James K. Churchill,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Eli W. Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Wilfred A. Wetherbee,<sup>8</sup> Boston, 1894.  
 Joseph W. Thayer,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

William P. Derby,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John M. Deane,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 William H. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John E. Gilman,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Peter D. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Silas A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. A. Blackmar,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Dwight O. Judd,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Lucius Field,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James H. Wolff,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 J. Payson Bradley, Boston, 1906.  
 Daniel H. L. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Alfred S. Roe,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John L. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 J. Willard Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1910 (died in office).  
 Granville C. Fiske,<sup>2</sup> 1910–11.  
 Geo. A. Hosley,<sup>22</sup> Chester, N. H., 1912.  
 Thomas J. Ames, Leominster, 1913.  
 John M. Woods, Somerville, 1914.  
 Alfred H. Knowles, Arlington, 1915.  
 Francis E. Mole, Adams, 1916.  
 Daniel E. Denny, Worcester, 1917.  
 Edwin P. Stanley, Manchester, 1918.  
 George W. Wilder, Boston, 1919.  
 Horace Goodwin, Westfield, 1920.  
 Edwin F. Morrell, Everett, 1921.

## MICHIGAN (18).

[Organized May 6, 1868. Reorganized Jan. 22, 1879. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 3,386; posts, 197.]

Department commander\_\_\_\_\_William Mears\_\_\_\_\_Manton.  
 Senior vice department commander\_\_\_S. D. Bailey\_\_\_\_\_Detroit.  
 Junior vice department commander\_\_\_John Seel\_\_\_\_\_Benton Harbor.  
 Assistant adjutant general\_\_\_\_\_Henry Spaulding\_\_\_\_\_Lansing.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Albert Dunham, Jackson.  
 James A. Ells, Detroit.  
 James A. Sutton, Jackson.  
 William Taylor, Grand Rapids.  
 Harvey Harper, Lawton.  
 J. R. Stephenson, Grand Rapids.  
 E. E. Hennis, Flint.  
 Edgar Shattuck, Ionia.  
 M. D. Richardson, Lansing.  
 Hiram Russell, Bay City.  
 John C. Berry, Vanderbilt.  
 W. H. Mason, Hancock.  
 Chas. A. Bartlett, Detroit.  
 A. L. Sawyer, Detroit.  
 M. C. Barney, Flint.

## ALTERNATES.

A. J. Teed, Cadillac.  
 F. L. Manning, Jackson.  
 B. K. Crandall, Eaton Rapids.  
 John H. Monk, Bangor.  
 Charles Maus, Grand Rapids.  
 John Davidson, Lansing.  
 George Holman, Lepeer.  
 L. E. Morse, Lyons.  
 D. E. Cook, Cadillac.  
 Charles Rousch, Bay City.  
 William Claspil, Vanderbilt.  
 A. E. Ferry, Lansing.  
 B. H. Babbitt, Detroit.  
 C. B. Andrews, Bedford.  
 W. G. Miner, Portland.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> Not now a member of order.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.  
<sup>22</sup> Senior vice commander in chief.



MICHIGAN—Continued.

REPRESENTATIVES—continued.  
Walter I. Funk, Grand Rapids.  
J. L. Drake, Adrian.  
B. C. Brainard, Detroit.

ALTERNATES—continued.  
E. H. Davis, Detroit.  
Gideon Bowley, Evart.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

R. A. Alger,<sup>2</sup> 1867 (provisional).  
William A. Throop,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
William Humphrey,<sup>2</sup> 1869–70.  
C. V. R. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1878–79.  
A. T. McReynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
Byron R. Pierce, Grand Rapids, 1881–82.  
Oscar A. Janes,<sup>10</sup> Detroit, 1883.  
Rush J. Shank,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
Charles D. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
John Northwood, New Lothrop, 1886.  
L. G. Rutherford,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
Washington Gardner,<sup>18</sup> Albion, 1888.  
Michael Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Henry M. Duffield,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Charles L. Eaton,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
Henry S. Dean,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
James H. Kidd,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
Louis Kanitz, Muskegon, 1894.  
S. B. Daboll,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
William Shakespeare,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Aaron T. Bliss,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
Alex Patrick,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
Russell R. Pealer,<sup>2</sup> 1899.

Ethel M. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
James Van Kleeck, Bay City, 1901.  
Edward C. Anthony, Negaunee, 1902.  
D. B. K. Van Raalts,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
George H. Hopkins,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
E. C. Cannon, Evart, 1905.  
Joseph B. Griswold,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
William Jibb,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
Charles E. Foote,<sup>2</sup> 1908 (died in office).  
George L. Holmes,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
James M. Greenfield,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
Samuel J. Lawrence,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
George W. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
John T. Spillane, Detroit, 1912.  
Frank R. Chase, Smyrna, 1913.  
Riley L. Jones, Detroit, 1914.  
Henry C. Rankin,<sup>2</sup> 1915 (died in office).  
Eli Strong, Kalamazoo, 1915.  
L. H. Ives, Mason, 1916.  
William O. Lee, Port Huron, 1917.  
David S. Howard, Pontiac, 1918.  
Edwin F. Lamb,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
Henry Spaulding,<sup>9</sup> Lansing, 1920.  
J. J. Holmes, Eaton Rapids, 1921.

MINNESOTA (24).

[Organized Aug. 14, 1867. Reorganized Aug. 17, 1881. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,676; posts, 117.]

Department commander-----	F. Z. Rasey-----	St. James.
Senior vice department commander---	F. J. Carr-----	Minneapolis.
Junior vice department commander---	W. H. Harrison-----	Duluth.
Assistant adjutant general-----	D. J. Dodge-----	St. Paul.

REPRESENTATIVES.  
George W. Tibbetts, West Concord.  
M. L. Crever, Worthington.  
Byron J. Mosier, Stillwater.  
Charles C. Hare, St. Paul.  
Calvin R. Fix, Minneapolis.  
F. M. Shook, Aitkin.  
W. H. McBride, Fergus Falls.  
George W. Root, Rochester.

ALTERNATES.  
F. A. Coond, Winona.  
M. L. Ashley, Jackson.  
W. S. Whitman, St. Paul.  
H. R. Thompson, Minneapolis.  
David Cleveland, Aitkin.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry G. Hicks,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
Henry A. Castle,<sup>2</sup> 1872–73–74.  
George H. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
Adam Marty, St. Paul, 1881–82.  
John P. Rea,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
E. C. Babb,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
R. A. Becker, St. Paul, 1885.  
William Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
L. L. Wheelock,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
James H. Ege,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
Alphonso Barto,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
James Compton,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
Charles D. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
L. M. Lange, Cass Lake, 1892.

John Day Smith, Minneapolis, 1893.  
Samuel R. Van Sant,<sup>18</sup> Minneapolis, 1894.  
Ell Torrance,<sup>18</sup> Minneapolis, 1895.  
J. J. McCardy,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
E. B. Wood, Long Prairie, 1897.  
E. W. Mortimer,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
D. B. Searle,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
Gideon S. Ives, St. Paul, 1900.  
Wm. H. Harries,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
Perry Starkweather,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
Isaac L. Mahan, St. Paul, 1903.  
Harrison White, Minneapolis, 1904.  
C. F. MacDonald,<sup>2</sup> 1905.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.  
<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.  
<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

## MINNESOTA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Levi Longfellow,<sup>20</sup> Minneapolis, 1906.  
 Geo. A. Whitney,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Marcus W. Bates,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Loren W. Collins,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Philip G. Woodward,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 J. A. Everett,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Wm. P. Roberts, Minneapolis, 1912.  
 Chas. H. Taylor, Long Prairie, 1913.

Chas. H. Hopkins, Fairfax, 1914.  
 Watson W. Hall, St. Cloud, Fla., 1915.  
 Chas. Van Campen,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Silas H. Towler,<sup>10</sup> Minneapolis, 1917.  
 Edwin F. Kenrick, St. Paul, 1918.  
 J. D. Budd, Duluth, 1919.  
 J. A. Town, Worthington, 1920.  
 S. W. Powell, Stillwater, 1921.

## MISSOURI (25).

[Organized May 16, 1867. Reorganized Apr. 22, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 2,608; posts, 132.]

Department commander	James H. Hunter	Kansas City.
Senior vice department commander	Samuel M. Mann	St. Joseph.
Junior vice department commander	Charles Kooch	Sedalia.
Assistant adjutant general	Wilbur F. Henry	St. Louis.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. W. Burrill, Kansas City.  
 W. S. Jones, Moberly.  
 John Hack, Trenton.  
 Arnold Bowers.  
 G. B. Cunningham, Youngstown.  
 Benjamin B. Bolt, Kansas City.  
 W. E. Chester, Warrensburg.  
 G. W. Carmichael, St. Louis.  
 A. McCann, Joplin.  
 Max Fritz, St. Louis.  
 I. L. Hunt, Nevada.  
 C. K. Reifsnider, St. Louis.  
 G. W. Sparks, Trenton.  
 P. H. Sullivan, Appleton City.

## ALTERNATES.

C. B. Kurtz, Kansas City.  
 B. F. Lutman, Jefferson City.  
 R. B. Tyler, Joplin.  
 Charles Nelson, St. Louis.  
 J. E. Vandermark, Albany.  
 L. Decker, Springfield.  
 Alf. Zartman, Kansas City.  
 Thomas L. Patton, Nevada.  
 Daniel Kunkle, Oregon.  
 C. P. Woodruff, Kansas City.  
 E. C. Baugher, Webb City.  
 D. W. Reese, West Plains.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 W. F. Chamberlain,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 Nelson Cole,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 E. E. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Hiram Smith, jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 John E. Phelps,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Leo Rassieur,<sup>18</sup> St. Louis, 1890.  
 George W. Martin,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 C. W. Whitehead,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Charles G. Burton,<sup>18</sup> Portland, Oreg., 1893.  
 Louis Grund,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Louis Benecke,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Thos. P. Rodgers,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John B. Platt,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 A. G. Peterson,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John W. Scott, Daytona, Fla., 1899.  
 Wilbur F. Henry,<sup>9</sup> St. Louis, 1900.  
 George Hall, Trenton, 1901.  
 Ira T. Bronson,<sup>2</sup> 1902.

F. M. Sterrett,<sup>7</sup> 1903.  
 Jere T. Dew,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Henry Fairback,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John M. Williams,<sup>8</sup> California, 1906.  
 Thomas D. Kimball, St. Louis, 1907.  
 J. V. Martin, Brookfield, 1908.  
 W. H. Skinner,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Robert N. Denham,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Benjamin Warner,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Charles W. Ruby,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 Arthur Dreifus,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 William Lowe, Warrensburg, 1914.  
 James B. Dobyne, St. Louis, 1915.  
 Alex McCandless,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Thos. W. Evans, St. Joseph, 1917.  
 Phil F. Coghlan, St. Louis, 1918.  
 W. C. Calland, Springfield, 1919.  
 Samuel D. Webster, St. Louis, 1920.  
 A. J. P. Barnes, Joplin, 1921.

W. S. Jenkins,<sup>2</sup> 1872, transferred from Kansas.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See Ohio.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

<sup>20</sup> National patriotic instructor.



MONTANA (37).

[Organized Mar. 10, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 240 ; posts, 13.]

Department commander	William Coleman	Deer Lodge.
Senior vice department commander	W. B. Haelan	Coma.
Junior vice department commander	J. S. Ohl	Sula.
Assistant adjutant general	George H. Taylor	Helena.

REPRESENTATIVES.

C. V. Boyes, Hamilton.	Thomas M. Williams, Butte.
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PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thomas P. Fuller, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Henry N. Blake, Boston, Mass., 1904.
Charles S. Warren <sup>2</sup> 1886.	Wilbur F. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
Ela C. Waters, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	A. J. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Julius G. Sanders, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	B. N. Beebe, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
James E. Galloway, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Edwin C. Kinney, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
Ed. S. Ferris, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Edwin S. Pease, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Harry C. Kessler, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Robert G. Huston, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
John L. Sloan, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John J. Rohrbaugh, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
Joseph O. Gregg, <sup>24</sup> 1893.	W. Y. Smith, <sup>2</sup> Bozeman, 1912.
Peter R. Dolman, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	P. W. Sheehy, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Robert E. Fisk, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	E. L. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Lester S. Willson, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	James R. Goss, Billings, 1915.
Thaddeus C. Davidson, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	G. I. Reiche, Pittston, 1916.
W. H. H. Dickinson, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Simon Hauswirth, Columbia Falls,
C. B. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	1917.
P. B. Manchester, <sup>7</sup> 1900.	John Marchion, Anaconda, 1918.
Frank P. Sterling, <sup>2</sup> 1901.	J. Perry McClain, LoLo, 1919.
Alanson N. Bull, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	J. M. Page, Twin Bridges, 1920.
J. S. Wisner, <sup>2</sup> 1903.	Chas. S. Shoemaker, 1921.

Michael Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1889, transferred from Michigan.  
J. B. Walgemuth,<sup>2</sup> 1905, transferred from South Dakota.

NEBRASKA (17).

[Organized June 11, 1877. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,887 ; posts, 154.]

Department commander	John S. Davisson	Omaha.
Senior vice department commander	C. C. Bell	Lincoln.
Junior vice department commander	W. L. Hillyard	Superior.
Assistant adjutant general	Harmon Bross	Lincoln.

REPRESENTATIVES.

E. B. Fancher, Lincoln.  
Thomas E. Glass, Lincoln.  
J. E. Miller, Kearney.  
Henry V. Hoagland, Lincoln.  
J. O. Moore, Milford.  
Anson M. Otis, Burkett.  
J. M. Mahaffey, Bennett.  
William S. Sutton, Table Rock.  
A. J. Frantz, Hastings.  
H. W. George, Omaha.

ALTERNATES.

J. R. Ratcliffe, Central City.  
C. S. Allen, Geneva.  
D. C. Crawford, Lincoln.  
W. K. Bevier, Grand Island.  
G. B. Chase, Juniata.  
L. A. Gilbert, Neligh.  
T. J. Bender, Fairmont.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.  
<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>24</sup> See Ohio.

## NEBRASKA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Paul Van Devoort,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 R. H. Wilbur,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James W. Savage,<sup>2</sup> 1879–80.  
 S. J. Alexander,<sup>2</sup> 1881–82.  
 John C. Bonnell,<sup>4</sup> 1883.  
 Henry E. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. V. Cole,<sup>7</sup> 1885.  
 John M. Thayer,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 H. C. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 W. C. Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 J. B. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 S. H. Morrison,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 T. S. Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Joseph Teeter,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 C. J. Dilworth,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 A. H. Church,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Church Howe,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Clarendon E. Adams,<sup>7 13</sup> Omaha, 1895.  
 J. H. Culver,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 John A. Ehrhardt, Stanton, 1897.  
 Thomas J. Majors, Peru, 1898.  
 John E. Evans,<sup>2</sup> 1899.

John Reese, Broken Bow, 1900.  
 R. S. Wilcox, Omaha, 1901.  
 C. F. Steele,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 Lee Estelle,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Harmon Bross,<sup>9</sup> Lincoln, 1904.  
 John Lett, York, 1905.  
 John R. Maxson, Minden, 1906.  
 Thomas Creigh,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Eli A. Barnes, Grand Island, 1908.  
 L. D. Richards, Fremont, 1909.  
 John F. Diener,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 A. M. Trimble,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 M. V. King,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John A. Dempster,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 O. H. Durand,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Geo. C. Humphrey, Grand Island, 1915.  
 W. H. Stewart,<sup>8</sup> Geneva, 1916.  
 Wilson E. Majors, Peru, 1917.  
 J. S. Hoagland,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 J. B. Strode, Lincoln, 1919.  
 Joseph H. Presson, Omaha, 1920.  
 W. J. Blystone, Lincoln, 1921.

Griff J. Thomas, Harvard, 1879–1881, transferred from Wisconsin.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE (12).

[Organized June 30, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 731; posts, 59.]

Department commander	J. N. Patterson	Concord.
Senior vice department commander	J. C. Lewis	Milford.
Junior vice department commander	William Blair	Gorham.
Assistant adjutant general	Frank Battles	Concord.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Andrew Hanon, Berlin.  
 George P. Morrill, Penacook.  
 H. S. Paul, Portsmouth.  
 William C. Kelley, Hill.  
 W. D. Baker, Rumney.

## ALTERNATES.

L. S. Richardson, Concord.  
 J. R. Emerson, Dumbarton.  
 H. L. Harris, Warner.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Matthew T. Batton,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 William R. Patten,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 Daniel J. Vaughan,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 James E. Larkin,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Augustus H. Bixby,<sup>2</sup> 1871.  
 William H. Trickey, Tilton, 1872.  
 Timothy W. Challis,<sup>2</sup> 1873–74.  
 Alvin S. Eaton,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 Charles J. Richards,<sup>2</sup> 1876–77–78.  
 George Bowers,<sup>2</sup> 1879–80.  
 Martin A. Haynes,<sup>2</sup> 1881–82.  
 John C. Linehan,<sup>2</sup> 1883–84.  
 Marcus M. Collis,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 George Farr,<sup>2</sup> 1886.

Otis C. Wyatt,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. B. Thompson,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 James F. Grimes,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Thomas Cogswell,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Everett B. Huse,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Daniel Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Frank G. Noyes,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 David R. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Charles E. Buzzell,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 Lewis W. Aldrich,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 James Minot,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 A. S. Twitchell,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Horace L. Worcester, Rochester, 1899.  
 D. E. Proctor, Wilton, 1900.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>4</sup> Not now a member.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>13</sup> Past commander in chief.



## NEW HAMPSHIRE—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

A. C. Haines, Newmarket, 1901.	William A. Beckford, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
William S. Carter, Lebanon, 1902.	George K. Stratton, Bradford, 1912.
Edward E. Parker, Nashua, 1903.	David R. Roys, Claremont, 1913.
Henry O. Kent, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	O. B. Douglass, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
Daniel B. Newhall, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	M. B. Plummer, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Osman B. Warren, <sup>2</sup> 1906.	Reuben T. Leavitt, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
William S. Pillsbury, <sup>2</sup> 1907.	Charles W. Hobbs, Pelham, 1917.
Augustus D. Sanborn, <sup>2</sup> 1908.	Eugene Wason, Milford, 1918.
Charles W. Stevens, Nashua, 1909.	Frank W. Wilson, Manchester, 1919.
Albert D. Scovell, Manchester, 1910.	James H. Hunt, Nashua, 1920.
Henry A. Conant, <sup>2</sup> 1911 (died in office).	Arthur Thompson, Warner, 1921.

## NEW JERSEY (8).

[Organized Dec. 10, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,496; posts, 83.]

Department commander-----	James A. Rikeman-----	Jersey City.
Senior vice department commander---	Charles S. Wallen-----	Vineland.
Junior vice department commander---	Peter J. Lydecker-----	Paterson.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Andrew J. Mattison-----	Newark.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Stephen R. Mullen, Summit.  
 Abram Ball, Orange.  
 William S. Bryson, Newark.  
 George E. Mills, Jersey City.  
 H. Craig Smith, Plainfield.  
 William W. Mendell, Cranford.  
 Osceola Currier, Newark.  
 A. C. Gile, Cape May.

## ALTERNATES.

L. L. Roray, Camden.  
 William Miller, Town of Union.  
 Isaac A. Hopper, Fair Lawn.  
 M. V. Kennelly, Roselle.  
 Thomas F. Laubach, Jersey City.  
 Benjamin Dearing, Maplewood.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

E. Jardine, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	George Barrett, Camden, 1899.
William Ward, <sup>2</sup> 1869-70.	E. V. Richards, <sup>2</sup> 1900.
Richard H. Lee, <sup>2</sup> 1871-72.	J. L. Lawrence, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
John R. Goble, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Enos F. Hann, Atlantic City, 1902.
Chas Burrows, <sup>12</sup> Rutherford, 1874-75.	Stephen M. Long, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
E. W. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	James M. Atwood, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
John Mueller, <sup>2</sup> 1877-78.	Charles Currie, <sup>2</sup> 1905.
Samuel Hufty, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	Alfred Atkins, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
George W. Gile, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	Arthur W. Tench, Maplewood, 1907.
Charles H. Houghton, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	John Foran, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
E. L. Campbell, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	James F. Connelly, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
George B. Fielder, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	James Inglis, jr., <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Henry M. Nevius, <sup>2</sup> 1884-85.	Adrian S. Appleget, Trenton, 1911.
Frank O. Cole, Jersey City, 1886.	Terrance J. McDonald, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
J. L. Wheeler, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	John W. Bodine, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
E. Burd Grubb, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	Forman J. Reynolds, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
W. B. Miller, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	Samuel G. Garretson, Perth Amboy, 1914.
A. M. Matthews, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	William F. Washington, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
James R. Mullikin, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	William O. Allen, <sup>8</sup> Newark, 1916.
R. A. Donnelly, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	Walter S. Tully, Belmar, 1917.
H. L. Hartshorn, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	George C. Boyd, Kearney, 1918.
John Shields, Clayton, 1894.	A. J. Washburn, <sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office)
Henry S. White, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Frank Briden, Jersey City.
Ernest C. Stahl, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	John T. McNeill, Kearney, 1920.
Emanuel Sands, <sup>2</sup> 1897 (died in office).	Isaac Cole, Maplewood, 1921.
Samuel G. Hayter, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	
William C. Smith, Plainfield, 1898.	

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

## NEW MEXICO (32).

[Organized July 14, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 68; posts, 7.]

Department commander-----	John Greenwald-----	Socorro.
Senior vice department commander---	John C. Hull-----	Santa Fe.
Junior vice department commander---	Valentine Herbert-----	Albuquerque.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John G. Caldwell-----	Albuquerque.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

B. A. Jones, Albuquerque.

## ALTERNATE.

William Kahler, Corrizozo.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Henry M. Atkins,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Edward W. Wyncoop,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 J. J. Fitzgerrell,<sup>5</sup> 1885.  
 E. S. Stover, Albuquerque, 1886.  
 John Y. Hewitt, White Oaks, 1887.  
 Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 John H. Mills,<sup>2</sup> 1889 (died in office).  
 Lee H. Rudisille,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. M. Whitcomb,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Albert J. Fountain,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 S. W. Dorsey,<sup>5</sup> 1892.  
 W. H. Whiteman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 George W. Knaebel,<sup>5</sup> 1894.  
 Thomas W. Collier,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John C. Bromagen,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Francis Downs,<sup>2</sup> 1897-98.  
 Leverett Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 George Knaebel,<sup>5</sup> 1899.  
 John R. McFie, Gallup, 1900-1901.  
 John W. Edwards,<sup>7</sup> 1902-3.

Theo. W. Heman,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Jacob Weltmer,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 W. B. Brunton,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. W. McDonald,<sup>8</sup> Albuquerque, 1907.  
 John P. Victory,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 John W. Long,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 H. B. Steward, Soldiers' Home, Calif., 1910.  
 A. D. Higgins,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. G. Caldwell,<sup>9</sup> Albuquerque, 1912.  
 D. M. Sutherland, Alamogordo, 1913.  
 John A. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Z. H. Bliss, Albuquerque, 1915.  
 F. E. Olney, E. Las Vegas, 1916.  
 Jefferson Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 John W. Terry, Socorro, 1918.  
 O. L. Gregory, E. Las Vegas, 1919.  
 Wm. M. Berger,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 John Shank, E. Las Vegas, 1921.

## NEW YORK (5).

[Organized Apr. 3, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 8,181; posts, 438.]

Department commander-----	Calvin A. Brainard-----	Buffalo.
Senior vice department commander---	Philip M. Wales-----	Troy.
Junior vice department commander---	Ringgold W. Carman-----	Flushing, L. I.
Assistant adjutant general-----	Frank Fisher-----	Buffalo.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

James L. Lyons, New York City.  
 S. J. Daniels, Olean.  
 C. W. Lord, Jamestown.  
 Ira Rowley, Silver Creek.  
 Henry L. Keene, Elmira.  
 William McKinley, Poughkeepsie.  
 C. R. Sweet, Buffalo.  
 George Wander, Buffalo.  
 B. Franklin Raze, Camillus.  
 Birt F. Parsons, Brooklyn.  
 Theodore Cocheu, Brooklyn.  
 Charles T. Peck, Rochester.  
 John Sutphin, Brockport.  
 Henry R. Howard, Rochester.  
 Henry H. Jacoby, New York.

## ALTERNATES.

J. H. Van DeMark, Cohoes.  
 T. J. Turner.  
 John A. Ward, Stillwater.  
 Joseph Hepworth, New York Mills.  
 I. H. Chatfield, Rochester.  
 Wm. Luff, Lockport.  
 Henry Staples, Woodhaven, L. I.  
 R. S. Maddren, Upper Montclair, N. J.  
 Andrew J. Onderdonk, Brooklyn.  
 P. F. Cole, Afton.  
 S. M. Whitbeck, Penn Yan.  
 C. J. Kellogg, Schenectady.  
 Joel Burdick, Portville.  
 J. H. I. Dagwell, Buffalo.  
 Patrick H. Doody, New York.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>3</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.



## NEW YORK—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

Morris Hanff, New York.  
 William J. Barry, Brooklyn.  
 Wallace Riley, Lockport.  
 W. H. Martin, Cooperstown.  
 R. S. Rimington, Saratoga Springs.  
 Henry Bennit, Schenectady.  
 James A. Merrill, Wolcott.  
 Henry Lilly, New York.  
 W. E. Bowen, Clinton.  
 Andrew Knauer, Utica.  
 F. A. M. Ball, Syracuse.  
 H. Stewart Warner, Skaneateles.  
 Henry Ransom, Syracuse.  
 J. K. Prosser, Oswego.  
 Louis Wanner, Cleveland.  
 Gilbert W. Peck, Albany.  
 Thomas J. McConekey, Brooklyn.  
 Edward W. Castell, Brooklyn.  
 Frank Hammond, Buffalo.  
 Warren D. Secord, New Rochelle.  
 Charles Heacox, Prospect.  
 Thomas A. Burchill, Rochester.  
 Joseph H. Benzino, Buffalo.  
 Edward J. Mitchell, Yonkers.  
 Lewis Hunt, Schaghticoke.  
 Wm. H. Hyler, Port Chester.  
 F. R. Meres, New York.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

Webster Young, Rochester.  
 Thomas Barker, North Bellemore.  
 Sanford Levan, deceased.  
 William A. Coulter, Youngstown.  
 Richard T. Broad, Auburn.  
 John O'Brien, Mount Vernon.  
 John R. Haight, Belfast.  
 Nelson E. Rowe, Binghamton.  
 Eugene Ryder, Cortland.  
 Chas. H. Weaver, Walton.  
 Harry E. Murray, Poughkeepsie.  
 Thos. H. Denio, Malone.  
 Wilbur Alpaugh, Gloversville.  
 James G. Burney, Little Falls.  
 John T. Brennan, Watertown.  
 Oscar Woodruff, Dansville.  
 A. B. Wheeler, Middletown.  
 James C. Birge, Ogdensburg.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James B. McKean,<sup>2</sup> 1866-67.  
 Daniel E. Sickles,<sup>2</sup> 1868-69.  
 Edward B. Lansing,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 John C. Robinson,<sup>2</sup> 1870.  
 Henry A. Barnum,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 Stephen P. Corliss,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
 Edward Jardine,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 John Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 James Tanner,<sup>18</sup> Washington, D. C.,  
 1876-77.  
 William F. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James McQuade,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 L. Coe Young,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 Abram Merritt,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 James S. Frazier,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 John A. Reynolds,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Ira M. Hedges,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. Clay Hall,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Joseph I. Sayles,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 George H. Treadwell,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 N. Martin Curtis,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Harrison Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Floyd Clarkson,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Charles H. Freeman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Theodore L. Poole,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 Joseph P. Cleary,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 John C. Shotts,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Edward J. Atkinson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.

James S. Graham, Oxford, 1896.  
 Albert D. Shaw,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Anson S. Wood,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Joseph W. Kay, Brooklyn, 1899.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 N. P. Pond,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Chas. A. Orr, Buffalo, 1901.  
 Allan C. Bakewell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 John S. Koster,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Henry N. Burhams,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 James M. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 John S. Maxwell, Amsterdam, 1906.  
 Harlan J. Swift,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William H. Daniels,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 M. J. Cummings,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 DeWitt C. Hurd, Utica, 1910.  
 George B. Loud,<sup>7</sup> 1911.  
 Oscar Smith, Albany, 1912.  
 Samuel C. Pierce, Rochester, 1913.  
 James D. Bell,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Zan L. Tidball, Bath, 1915.  
 Solomon W. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 William F. Kirchner, New York City,  
 1917.  
 Lewis S. Pilcher,<sup>16</sup> Brooklyn, 1918.  
 Joseph E. Ewell, Buffalo, 1919.  
 Alfred E. Stacey, Elbridge, 1920.  
 Isidore Isaacs,<sup>10</sup> New York, 1921.

De Alva S. Alexander, Buffalo, 1884, transferred from Potomac.

W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899, transferred from South Dakota.

David R. Wilson, 1906, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>16</sup> Commander in chief.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

## NORTH DAKOTA (43).

[Organized Apr. 23, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 150; posts, 16.]

Department commander-----	Smith Stimmel-----	Fargo.
Senior vice department commander---	William R. Whitcomb-----	Crazy.
Junior vice department commander---	A. P. Batcheler-----	Valley City.
Assistant adjutant general-----	John W. Carroll-----	Lisbon.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

James E. Herbert, Jamestown.	J. B. Ashelman, Fargo.
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## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Harrison Allen, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	S. J. Hill, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
George B. Winship, Grand Forks, 1890.	J. L. Richmond, Minnewaukan, 1908.
William A. Bentley, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Halsey S. Curry, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
Samuel G. Roberts, Fargo, 1892.	Albert Roberts, Devils Lake, 1910.
John D. Black, Valley City, 1893.	James H. Mathews, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
James O'Neal, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	George W. Kurtz, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
A. P. Rounseville, <sup>6</sup> 1895.	George B. Vallandingham, Valley City, 1913.
William H. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	Alexander Hay, Wahpeton, 1914.
Edward C. Gearey, <sup>2</sup> 1897.	J. L. Smith, <sup>2</sup> 1915.
Edwin Southard, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	Henry Beal, Valley City, 1916.
William Ackerman, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Christian Schmitt, Jamestown, 1917.
Freeman Orcutt, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	John W. Carroll, Lisbon, 1918.
D. G. Duell, Devils Lake, 1901.	James McCormick, Devils Lake, 1919.
John C. Gipson, <sup>7</sup> 1902.	David B. McClain, <sup>2</sup> 1920 (died in office).
H. J. Rowe, Lisbon, 1903.	Orange A. Potter, Granville, 1920.
D. F. Siegfried, <sup>2</sup> 1904.	C. P. Stearns, Rogers, 1921.
Joseph Hare, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	
B. F. Bigelow, Jamestown, 1906.	

## OHIO (4).

[Organized Jan. 30, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 9,468; posts, 388.]

Department commander-----	Gaylord M. Saltzgaber-----	Van Wert.
Senior vice department commander---	James H. Herring-----	Mansfield.
Junior vice department commander---	W. H. King-----	Coshocton.
Assistant adjutant general-----	W. S. Matthews-----	Columbus.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

D. S. Wilder, Columbus.  
 David J. Jones, Cincinnati.  
 W. H. H. Isrigg, Cincinnati.  
 R. E. Scott, Hamilton.  
 David Jenks, Wilmington.  
 I. N. Smith, Greenville.  
 Gustavus Smith, Dayton.  
 H. Clay Osborn, South Charleston.  
 Irvine Dungan, Jackson.  
 Samuel McElhaney, Portsmouth.  
 A. C. O'Brien, Marietta.  
 J. W. Hays, Fultonham.

## ALTERNATES.

Frank Hamilton, Cincinnati.  
 Conrad Liner, Cincinnati.  
 Courtland Smith, Cincinnati.  
 A. B. Applegate, Milford.  
 A. C. Stone, Wilmington.  
 George Hedrick, Fort Recovery.  
 O. D. Cotton, Dayton.  
 J. H. McPherson, Xenia.  
 E. C. Rockhold, Bainbridge.  
 William Clouse, Ironton.  
 John T. Hope, Athens.  
 Robert Parks, Sharon.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>6</sup> See Florida.<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.



## OHIO—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

C. C. Mulford, O. S. & S. Home, Erie.  
 W. H. Bushong, Bellefontaine.  
 Oliver Patton, Sidney.  
 W. D. Heffner, Lima.  
 S. Walters, Archbold.  
 G. W. Norris, Findlay.  
 Robert A. Forgrave, Helena.  
 J. H. Hodge, Tiffin.  
 Theodore B. Tucker, Toledo.  
 J. L. Hott, Mansfield.  
 J. M. Anderson, Uhrichsville.  
 James McCoy, Cambridge.  
 Jason Neville, Liverpool.  
 D. I. McFarland, Youngstown.  
 August Vignos, Canton.  
 D. F. Holtz, Wooster.  
 John McClay, Columbus.  
 S. S. Oatman, Medina.  
 Leroy Williams, Cleveland.  
 J. L. Baldwin, Cleveland.  
 E. R. Ward, Conneaut.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

L. H. Derby, Norwalk.  
 J. M. Ebrite, Bellefontaine.  
 M. C. Peirce, Pleasant Hill.  
 William Kline, Gilboa.  
 J. R. Oldfield, Bryan.  
 S. F. Biles, Sycamore.  
 Michael Sattig, Fremont.  
 T. D. Riddle, Galion.  
 Christopher Sheets, Toledo.  
 F. S. Bell, Mansfield.  
 Emanuel Hensel, Barnhill.  
 J. C. Glover, Cadiz.  
 D. G. Smith, Steubenville.  
 George N. Morey, Warren.  
 A. L. Hawkins, Alliance.  
 Jos. R. Swartz, Ashland.  
 F. M. Spitler, Columbus.  
**Eli Smith, Akron.**  
 James Hay, Cleveland.  
 Joseph A. Day, Cleveland.  
 O. V. Hovey, Chardon.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

B. F. Potts,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 Thomas L. Young,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 J. Warren Keifer,<sup>10</sup> Springfield, 1868–70.  
 William C. Bunts,<sup>2</sup> 1871–72.  
 G. M. Barber,<sup>2</sup> 1873–74.  
 Alvin C. Voris,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
 William Earnshaw,<sup>2</sup> 1876–77.  
 Nathan L. Guthrie,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 James H. Seymour,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 James H. Steedman,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 David W. Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 John S. Kountz,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 Chas. T. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1882–83.  
 H. P. Lloyd,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 R. B. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Arthur L. Conger,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 D. C. Putnam,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Joseph W. O'Neill, Lebanon, 1888.  
 S. H. Hurst,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 P. H. Dowling,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 A. M. Warner, Cincinnati, 1891.  
 Isaac F. Mack,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 L. H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 E. E. Nutt,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Chas. Townsend,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 E. L. Lybarger, Spring Mountain, 1896.

Henry Kissinger,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 David F. Pugh, Columbus, 1898.  
 Thomas R. Shinn, Ashland, 1899.  
 Elias R. Monfort,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Emmett F. Taggart, Akron, 1901.  
 Walton Weber, Columbus, 1902.  
 Arthur C. Yengling, 1903.  
 B. M. Moulton,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Amos Hutfinan,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George A. Harmon,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 W. S. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 John H. Sharer,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 George Hall, Lima, 1908.  
 Charles H. Newton, Marietta, 1909.  
**Henry A. Axline,<sup>2</sup> 1910.**  
**J. F. Johnston,<sup>2</sup> 1911.**  
 Chas. W. Blodgett, Cincinnati, 1912.  
 W. R. Warnock,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 J. Kent Hamilton,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Seeley P. Mount, Cleveland, 1915.  
 W. H. Surles,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
**W. A. Pittenger,<sup>2</sup> 1917.**  
 Daniel M. Hall,<sup>18</sup> Columbus, 1918.  
 H. C. Martindale, Cleveland, 1919.  
 John M. Adams, Cincinnati, 1920.  
 Merrick J. Sloan, Warren, 1921.

Frank M. Sterrett, Troy, 1920, transferred from Missouri.  
 Joseph O. Gregg, Columbus, 1918, transferred from Montana.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

## OKLAHOMA (44).

[Organized Aug. 7, 1890. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 804; posts, 41. Department of Indian Territory merged with Oklahoma at joint encampment held at Guthrie, May 19-22, 1908.]

Department commander-----	W. F. Clark-----	Lamont.
Senior vice department commander----	J. J. Lyons-----	Muskogee.
Junior vice department commander----	Alexander Crow-----	Tulsa.
Assistant adjutant general-----	J. H. Norton-----	Oklahoma City.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

H. A. Galloway, Stroud.  
Job Ingram, Kingfisher.

## ALTERNATES.

J. Duck, Stillwater.  
S. P. Galloway, Cherokee.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

G. M. Barnes, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	W. H. Hornaday, Guthrie, 1907.
G. M. Coulton, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	H. Veatch, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
D. F. Wyatt, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	William Higgins, Bartlesville, 1909.
T. H. Soward, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	B. N. Turk, Enid, 1910.
J. P. Cummings, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Wilberforce Jones, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
H. G. Trosper, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	W. R. Kelley, <sup>2</sup> 1912.
W. H. Cater, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	L. C. Coffin, Elgin, 1913.
C. R. Young, Guthrie, 1897.	George W. Billings, <sup>2</sup> 1914 (died in office).
D. M. Munger, <sup>2</sup> 1898.	George W. Fletcher, <sup>2</sup> 1914.
J. J. S. Hasler, <sup>2</sup> 1899 (died in office).	A. A. Beasler, Chandler, 1915.
I. W. Rush, <sup>2</sup> 1899.	Albert Reeves, <sup>2</sup> 1916.
M. L. Mock, <sup>2</sup> 1900.	J. C. White, Oklahoma City, 1917.
James E. Burnes, <sup>7</sup> 1901.	F. E. Hills, Enid, 1918.
Wesley Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1902.	F. M. Cline, Woodward, 1919.
Cyrus P. Green, Enid, 1903.	W. S. Tilton, Anadarko, 1920.
S. P. Strahan, Perry, 1904.	Jacob Amberg, Oklahoma City, 1921.
G. M. Parks, <sup>2</sup> 1905.	
Peter A. Becker, 1906.	

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E. Calkins, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	Gideon S. White, <sup>5</sup> 1899.
B. F. Harris, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	John S. Hammer, <sup>2</sup> 1900-1902.
J. H. Spann, McAlester, 1893.	J. A. Rose, <sup>5</sup> 1904.
Savelon Boyles, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Robert Ross, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
J. L. Thomas, <sup>2</sup> 1895.	Samuel H. Smith, Muskogee, 1905.
William H. Harrison, <sup>2</sup> 1896.	J. A. Ayres, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
R. M. J. Shriver, Miami, 1897.	A. G. Krutchmer, <sup>2</sup> 1907.
David Redfield, 1898.	

D. W. Eastman,<sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Kansas.  
John C. Gipson,<sup>2</sup> 1902, transferred from North Dakota.

## OREGON (26).

[Organized Sept. 28, 1882. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,440; posts, 58.]

Department commander-----	D. L. McKay-----	Portland.
Senior vice department commander----	Rufus Waggoner-----	Newport.
Junior vice department commander----	James Hohman-----	Grants Pass.
Assistant adjutant general-----	T. Brouillette-----	Portland.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.      <sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.      <sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.



## OREGON—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. B. Zeek, Bandon.  
 C. S. Baker, Portland.  
 Samuel J. Robertson, Eugene.  
 George W. Keen, McMinnville.  
 F. R. Smith, Salem.  
 George R. Castner, Hood River.  
 George Ellis, Portland.  
 Arthur D. Craig, Astoria.

## ALTERNATES.

A. W. Mills, Portland.  
 Parker N. Lathrop, St. Johns.  
 J. L. Marshall, Newberg.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

N. S. Pierce,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 G. E. Caukin,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 F. J. Babcock,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 F. H. Lamb, Portland, 1885-86.  
 M. L. Olmstead,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. E. Borthwick,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 E. B. McElroy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 James A. Varney,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Owen Summers,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 H. H. Northup, Portland, 1892.  
 J. C. Cooper, McMinnville, 1893.  
 S. B. Ormsby,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 E. W. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 D. C. Sherman,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Frank Reisner,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 C. P. Holloway, Portland, 1898.  
 H. V. Gates, Hillsboro, 1899.  
 A. J. Goodbrod,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 J. A. Sladen,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 M. L. Pratt, Portland, 1902.

David H. Turner,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 B. F. Pike, Newberg, 1904.  
 T. E. Hills, Garden Home, 1905.  
 Homer Sutcliffe,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 S. F. Blythe, Hood River, 1907.  
 J. T. Apperson,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 James P. Shaw, Portland, 1909.  
 W. J. R. Beach, Forest Grove, 1910.  
 Newton Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 Thos. B. McDevitt, Portland, 1912.  
 S. W. Taylor, Newburg, 1913.  
 H. S. Fargo,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 Geo. A. Harding, Oregon City, 1915.  
 Joseph E. Hall, Portland, 1916.  
 J. G. Chambers,<sup>30</sup> Portland, 1917.  
 Tillman H. Stevens, Portland, 1918.  
 Daniel Webster,<sup>2</sup> 1919.  
 J. T. Butler, Gladstone, 1920.  
 C. A. Williams, Gladstone, 1921.

## PENNSYLVANIA (3).

[Organized Jan. 16, 1867. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 8,336; posts, 408.]

Department commander ----- W. F. Hambright ----- Lancaster.  
 Senior vice department commander --- D. C. McCullough ----- Altoona.  
 Junior vice department commander --- A. M. Breckenridge ----- Oil City.  
 Assistant adjutant general ----- Samuel P. Town ----- Philadelphia.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

C. C. Arensberg, Pittsburgh.  
 J. I. Shoemaker, Wyoming.  
 D. S. Brinton, New Castle.  
 Jacob Bishop, Philadelphia.  
 Frank Baub, Wilkes-Barre.  
 B. H. Bowman, Huntingdon Mills.  
 J. H. Condon, Philadelphia.  
 D. S. Beemer, Scranton.  
 J. W. Brown, Pittsburgh.  
 J. M. Marshall, Indiana.  
 A. Stanger, Philadelphia.  
 R. N. Spohn, Philadelphia.  
 H. C. Deetz, Philadelphia.  
 Campbell Stanton, Pittsburgh.  
 Thomas Cummings, Philadelphia.  
 Daniel Donne, Pottsville.  
 John L. Ott, Philadelphia.  
 A. D. Hutchinson, Allentown.  
 J. H. Dettre, Philadelphia.  
 J. W. Kauffman, Huntingdon.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## ALTERNATES.

W. H. Carter, Philadelphia.  
 Daniel Hain, Philadelphia.  
 C. E. Coller, Reading.  
 D. M. Lots, Holidaysburg.  
 H. W. Kramer, Danville.  
 John Hennig, Hatboro.  
 D. W. Davis, Shelecta.  
 J. W. McClure, Lancaster.  
 Phil. Engelskerger, Franklin.  
 A. Onstock, New Castle.  
 C. W. Hoffman, Latrobe.  
 James H. Minds, Houtsdale.  
 Jerry Fisher, Philadelphia.  
 W. B. Kroesen, Etna.  
 W. A. Moody, Carlisle.  
 A. Krause, Beaver Falls.  
 T. Mason Moore, Pittsburgh.  
 Joseph F. Ferrey, Philadelphia.  
 E. F. Dickey, Markelsburg.  
 Algernon Gibbs, Philadelphia.

<sup>30</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

## PENNSYLVANIA—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES—continued.

Louis B. Lomax, Chester.  
 J. D. Doyle, Philadelphia.  
 A. J. Ellis, Uniontown.  
 M. Peet, Altoona.  
 S. E. Coleman, Norwood.  
 E. T. Carpenter, Lock Haven.  
 H. H. Spayd, Minersville.  
 A. J. Reed, Pittsburgh.  
 H. V. Carles, Altoona.  
 H. C. Shenck, Lancaster.  
 Winslow J. Freas, Philadelphia.  
 George I. Rudolph, Pittsburgh.  
 George B. Leacock, Philadelphia.  
 S. M. Evans, Pittsburgh.  
 J. P. Sankey, Carnegie.  
 V. C. Watson, Blairsville.  
 S. W. Hanna, Springdale.  
 C. L. Roushey, Dallas.  
 Wade J. Day, Washington.  
 J. H. Long, Stroudsburg.  
 H. Butterfield, Braddock.  
 J. P. Brown, Scranton.  
 Nathan Tanner, Summit Hill.

## ALTERNATES—continued.

George A. Richards, Ligonier.  
 E. W. Miller, Bethlehem.  
 J. W. Rutter, Altoona.  
 T. F. Zimmerman, Harrisburg.  
 G. F. Rose, Philadelphia.  
 J. F. Strenmel, Philadelphia.  
 Thomas Wardrop, Mount Carmel.  
 J. M. Michler, Columbia.  
 George D. Runk, Clearfield.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Louis Wagner, <sup>2</sup> 1866-67.	H. H. Cummings, <sup>2</sup> 1895.
A. L. Pearson, <sup>2</sup> 1868.	Alfred Darte, <sup>2</sup> 1896.
O. C. Bosbyshell, <sup>2</sup> 1869.	William D. Stauffer, <sup>2</sup> 1897.
Howard J. Reeder, <sup>2</sup> 1870-71.	W. J. Patterson, <sup>18</sup> Pittsburgh, 1898.
Frank Reeder, <sup>2</sup> 1872.	James F. Morrison, <sup>2</sup> 1899.
Robert B. Beath, <sup>2</sup> 1873.	Charles Miller, Franklin, 1900.
A. Wilson Norris, <sup>2</sup> 1874.	Levi G. McCauley, <sup>2</sup> 1901.
W. W. Tyson, <sup>2</sup> 1875.	R. P. Scott, <sup>2</sup> 1902.
James W. Latta, <sup>2</sup> 1876.	Edwin Walton, <sup>2</sup> 1903.
Samuel I. Givin, <sup>2</sup> 1877.	John McNevin, <sup>2</sup> 1904.
Charles T. Hull, <sup>2</sup> 1878.	J. Andrew Wilt, <sup>8</sup> Towanda, 1905.
George L. Brown, <sup>2</sup> 1879.	M. A. Gherst, <sup>2</sup> 1906.
Chill W. Hazard, <sup>2</sup> 1880.	William T. Powell, Pittsburgh, 1907.
John Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1881.	P. De Lacy, <sup>2</sup> 1908.
John M. Vanderslice, <sup>2</sup> 1882.	Thad M. Mahon, <sup>2</sup> 1909.
E. S. Osborne, <sup>2</sup> 1883.	L. W. Moore, <sup>2</sup> 1910.
Frederick H. Dyer, <sup>2</sup> 1884.	N. P. Kingsley, <sup>2</sup> 1911.
F. Austin Currin, <sup>2</sup> 1885.	Thomas H. Cole, Erie, 1912.
J. P. S. Gobin, <sup>2</sup> 1886.	William J. Wells, <sup>2</sup> 1913.
Samuel Harper, <sup>2</sup> 1887.	John A. Fairman, Pittsburgh, 1914.
Frank J. Magee, <sup>2</sup> 1888.	C. C. Gramlich, Philadelphia, 1915.
Thomas J. Stewart, <sup>2</sup> 1889.	L. F. Arensburg, East Millsboro, 1916.
Joseph F. Denniston, <sup>2</sup> 1890.	Noah Dietrich, Easton, 1917.
George G. Boyer, <sup>2</sup> 1891.	J. D. Hicks, Altoona, 1918.
John P. Taylor, <sup>2</sup> 1892.	George W. Rhoads, Harrisburg, 1919.
Thomas G. Sample, <sup>2</sup> 1893.	C. H. William Ruhe, Pittsburgh, 1920.
William Emsley, <sup>2</sup> 1894.	Charles C. Taylor, Philadelphia, 1921.
James E. Porter, <sup>2</sup> 1895, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.	
James M. Davis, <sup>2</sup> 1898, transferred from Virginia and North Carolina.	

## POTOMAC (14).

[Organized Feb. 13, 1869. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 593; posts, 8.]

Department commander-----	H. L. Deam-----	Washington.
Senior vice department commander---	John W. Reid-----	Washington.
Junior vice department commander---	Briscoe Goodhart-----	Washington.
Assistant adjutant general-----	O. H. Oldroyd-----	Washington.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.



## POTOMAC—Continued.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

John P. Quander, Washington.  
P. O. Lawrence, Washington.  
R. Harleston, Washington.

## ALTERNATES

Charles Loeffler, Washington.  
L. K. Brown, Washington.  
John Hammond, Washington.  
John T. Ryan, Washington.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Samuel A. Duncan,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
Timothy Luby,<sup>2</sup> 1870-1872.  
Frank H. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1873-74.  
Benjamin F. Hawkes,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
A. H. G. Richardson,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
George E. Corson, Washington, 1878.  
Harrison Dingman,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
Chas. C. Royce,<sup>10</sup> Washington, 1880.  
William Gibson,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
Samuel S. Burdett,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
D. S. Alexander,<sup>31</sup> 1884.  
Newton M. Brooks,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
Jerome B. Burke, Washington, 1886-87.  
Chas. P. Lincoln,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
William S. Odell,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
M. Emmett Urell,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
J. M. Pipes, Washington, 1891.  
A. F. Dinsmore, Washington, 1892.  
S. E. Faunce, Washington, 1893.  
Nathan Bickford,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
Marion T. Anderson,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
John McElroy,<sup>12</sup> Washington, 1896.  
Thos. S. Hopkins,<sup>33</sup> Washington, 1897.

Arthur Hendricks,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
Calvin Farnsworth, Washington, 1899.  
George H. Slaybaugh,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
Israel W. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
B. F. Bingham,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
I. G. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
Abram Hart,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
A. P. Tasker, Washington, 1905.  
B. P. EntriKin, Washington, 1906.  
Newton Ferree, Washington, 1907.  
John S. Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
Edwin H. Holbrook,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
Henry A. Johnson, Washington, 1910.  
George C. Ross,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
J. D. Bloodgood,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
Thos. H. McKee, Washington, 1913.  
J. K. Gleason,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
L. H. Patterson, Washington, 1915.  
A. H. Huntoon,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
A. H. Frear, Washington, 1917.  
S. G. Mawson, Washington, 1918.  
H. B. Snyder, Washington, 1919.  
John McElroy,<sup>12</sup> Washington, 1920-21.

## RHODE ISLAND (11).

[Organized Mar. 24, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 544; posts, 22.]

Department commander-----Samuel A. Whelden---East Providence.  
Senior vice department commander---Zophar Skinner-----Valley Falls.  
Junior vice department commander---George R. Saunders-----Providence.  
Assistant adjutant general-----Fred A. Burt-----Apponaug.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Christopher H. Carpenter, Providence.  
Henry W. Pickering, Woonsocket.  
William O. Tucker, Bristol.  
Frank J. Remeires, Bristol.

## ALTERNATES.

John Williams, Providence.  
George E. Kent, East Providence.  
Daniel Holmes, Norwood.  
Albert Stone, Providence.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Ambrose E. Burnside,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
Horatio Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
Chas. R. Brayton,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
Elisha H. Rhodes,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
Edwin Metcalf,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
Edwin C. Pomroy,<sup>2</sup> 1875.  
Chas. H. Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
Henry J. Spooner,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
Fred A. Arnold, Providence, 1878.

Henry R. Barker,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
Charles C. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
William H. P. Steers,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
Henry F. Jenks,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
Philip S. Chase,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
Andrew J. McMahon,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
Eugene A. Cory,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
Theodore A. Barton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
Benj. L. Hall, Edgewood, 1887.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>10</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief.

<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.

<sup>31</sup> See New York.

<sup>33</sup> Judge advocate general.

## RHODE ISLAND—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Gideon Spencer,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Alonzo Williams,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Benjamin F. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Benjamin H. Child,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 David S. Ray,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 George T. Cranston,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Charles H. Baker,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Daniel R. Ballou, Providence, 1895.  
 William E. Stone,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Livingston Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Samuel W. K. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 Charles O. Ballou,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Walter A. Read,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Charles P. Moies,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 George H. Chenery,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 James S. Hudson,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Joseph Wooley,<sup>2</sup> 1904.

Ezra K. Parker,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 George L. Greene,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 Edward Wilcox,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 William O. Milne,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Francello G. Jillson,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 Charles H. Ewer,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 Ezra Dixon, Bristol, 1911.  
 Thos. M. Holden, Providence, 1912.  
 George H. Cheek, Pawtucket, 1913.  
 Gilbert Wilson, Providence, 1914.  
 Henry J. Pickersgill,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Joseph Gough, Providence, 1916.  
 Augustine A. Mann, Central Falls, 1917.  
 Murdock C. McKenzie,<sup>2</sup> 1918.  
 Fred A. Burt,<sup>9</sup> Apponaug, 1919.  
 William Massey,<sup>2</sup> 1920.  
 Fred S. Oatley, Norwood, 1921.

## SOUTH DAKOTA (29).

[Organized Mar. 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 529; posts, 51.]

Department commander-----	A. L. Van Orsdel-----	Mission Hill.
Senior vice department commander---	C. W. Truax-----	Huron.
Junior vice department commander---	I. L. Bates-----	Groton.
Assistant adjutant general-----	W. W. Sly-----	Yankton.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. T. Hatton, Groton.  
 C. V. Gardner, Rapid City.  
 T. C. Boyd, Springfield.  
 T. S. Sharp, Brooklings.

## ALTERNATES.

W. W. Sly, Yankton.  
 B. F. Whitehouse, Frederick.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Thos. S. Free,<sup>2</sup> 1883-84.  
 W. V. Lucas,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 Harrison Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 S. F. Hammond,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 George A. Silsby,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 E. T. Langley,<sup>7</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif., 1890.  
 C. S. Palmer,<sup>34</sup> Burlington, Vt., 1891.  
 James B. Holt,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 N. C. Nash,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 Geo. W. Carpenter,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 S. B. Drake,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 John Ackley,<sup>2</sup> 1896 (died in office).  
 John F. Baker, Zephyrhills, Fla., 1896.  
 C. B. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 E. P. Farr, Pierre, 1898.  
 W. L. Palmer,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Philip Lawrence, Pomona, Calif., 1900.  
 Geo. W. Snow, Springfield, 1901.  
 T. E. Blanchard,<sup>7</sup> Santa Cruz, Calif., 1902.

Thomas Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 H. P. Packard, Minneapolis, Minn., 1904.  
 J. B. Walgamuth,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 N. I. Lowthian,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 T. C. De Jean, Plankinton, 1907.  
 Warren Osborn, Zephyrhills, Fla., 1908.  
 A. S. Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 N. H. Kingman, Eugene, Oreg., 1910.  
 Thos. H. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 O. S. Gifford,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 H. L. Ferry, Vermillion, 1912.  
 John L. Jolly, Vermillion, 1913.  
 C. A. B. Fox, Sioux Falls, 1914.  
 Chas. S. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 Walter H. Carr, Yankton, 1916.  
 J. C. Luce,<sup>8</sup> Groton, 1917.  
 James S. Sebree, Pierre, 1918.  
 Abe L. Van Osdel, Mission Hill, 1919.  
 E. L. Hurlbut, Rapid City, 1920.  
 John E. Davis, Lennox, 1921.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.

<sup>34</sup> See Vermont.



## TENNESSEE (34).

[Organized Feb. 26, 1884. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 384; posts, 20.]

Department commander	P. W. Evans	Kingston.
Senior vice department commander	R. W. Brock	Chattanooga.
Junior vice department commander	Silas Flourney	Greenville.
Assistant adjutant general	B. F. Bashor	Knoxville.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

P. M. Keeble, Maryville.  
C. G. Tipton.  
B. F. Williams.

## ALTERNATE.

S. M. Warren, Piney Flats.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Edward S. Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1884-85.  
E. E. Winters,<sup>5</sup> 1886.  
William J. Ramage,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
Wm. Rule, Knoxville, Tenn., 1888.  
A. H. Pettybone,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
Chas. F. Muller,<sup>5</sup> 1890.  
A. J. Gahagan, Chattanooga, 1891.  
H. C. Whitaker,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
Frank Saamon,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
W. F. Milburn,<sup>5</sup> 1894.  
W. J. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
H. B. Case,<sup>2</sup> 1896-97.  
W. H. Nelson, Roan Mountain, 1898.  
A. H. Crumbliss,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
S. T. Harris, Knoxville, 1900.  
M. M. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
G. W. Patton,<sup>2</sup> 1902-3.  
Ben A. Hamilton,<sup>2</sup> 1904.

W. W. French,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
John T. Wilder,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
Will A. McTeer, Maryville, 1907.  
S. W. Tindell, Johnson City, 1908.  
D. Minor Stewart,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
Ignaz Franz, Knoxville, 1910.  
C. H. Flournoy, Knoxville, 1911.  
A. M. Gamble, Maryville, 1912.  
W. D. Atchley, Sevierville, 1913.  
D. D. Nicholas,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
F. M. Underwood, Knoxville, 1915.  
J. R. Kennedy, Louisville, 1916.  
O. C. Kinley, Knoxville, 1917.  
W. F. Roberts, Memphis, 1918.  
F. M. Fessenden, Chattanooga, 1919.  
O. L. Thompson, Rockwood, 1920.  
W. W. Lowry, Riceville, 1921.

J. J. Fitzgerald, Soldiers' Home, California, 1888, transferred from New Mexico.

## TEXAS (38).

[Organized Mar. 25, 1885. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 213; posts, 10.]

Department commander	R. P. Cooper	Dallas.
Senior vice department commander	William H. Blake	Houston.
Junior vice department commander	Henry H. Small	San Antonio.
Assistant adjutant general	J. S. Dunlap	Dallas.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

William Weaver, Houston.  
J. H. Dunn, Denison.

## ALTERNATES.

L. A. Heil, San Antonio.  
T. W. Woodcock, Dallas.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. D. Wylie,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
O. T. Lyon,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
W. H. Sinclair,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
J. C. DeGress,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
A. G. Malloy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
A. K. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
W. W. Mann,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
O. G. Petterson,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
J. W. Parks,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
R. M. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
W. W. Bostwick,<sup>36</sup> 1895.  
G. W. McCormick,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
Ed. N. Ketchum, Galveston, 1897.  
W. F. Connor,<sup>2</sup> 1898.

John Roach,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
Charles B. Peck,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
P. B. Hunt,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
C. C. Haskell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
John H. Bolton,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
John L. Boyd, Dallas, 1904.  
E. A. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
W. H. Harvey,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
L. L. Whittiker,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
T. M. Wright,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
Calvin R. Hubbard,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
J. S. Dunlap,<sup>9</sup> Dallas, 1910.  
W. O. Kretsinger,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
E. P. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1912.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>5</sup> Not now a member of order.<sup>9</sup> Assistant adjutant general.<sup>36</sup> See Colorado.

## TEXAS—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Sidney Tuttle,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 Robert McCormick, Dallas, 1914.  
 C. S. Brodbent, San Antonio, 1915.  
 C. A. Cahoon,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 Melville B. Young, Plainview, 1917.

Anson Miller, Anahuac, 1918.  
 Edward Loomis, San Antonio, 1919.  
 Max Hart, Houston, 1920.  
 G. E. Allgaier, 1921.

## UTAH (33).

[Organized Oct. 8, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 129; posts, 5.]

Department commander-----	Alonzo Van Patten-----	Salt Lake City.
Senior vice department commander---	William L. Goodsell-----	Salt Lake City.
Junior vice department commander---	John La Due-----	Salt Lake City.
Assistant adjutant general-----	F. G. Vallereux-----	Salt Lake City.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

P. D. Woodruff, Salt Lake City.  
 P. J. Goble, Salt Lake City.

## ALTERNATES.

W. S. Davidson, Salt Lake City.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George C. Douglas,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Ransford Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. C. Wardleigh,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Elijah Sells,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Eli H. Murray,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 Nathan H. Kimball,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 Henry T. Snyder,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Henry Page,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 Frank Hoffman,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 James R. Elliott,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 J. W. Greenman,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 T. C. Iliff,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 C. O. Farnsworth,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 M. M. Kellogg,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 T. C. Bailey,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 N. H. Ives,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 M. M. Kaighn,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 M. A. Breeden,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Rudolph Alf,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 W. M. Bostaph,<sup>12</sup> California, 1902.

F. H. Clark,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Henry P. Burns,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 E. T. Hulaniski, Ogden, 1905.  
 B. M. Sperry, California, 1906.  
 Alford Kent,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 R. G. Slater,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Lucien H. Smith, Salt Lake City, 1909.  
 T. C. Lundy,<sup>2</sup> 1910.  
 A. B. Laurence,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 J. W. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1912 (died in office).  
 Frank H. Hall, Salt Lake City, 1912.  
 Reuben Oehler,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 N. A. Heath,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 H. G. Rollins,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 N. D. Corser, Salt Lake City, 1916-17.  
 J. C. H. Warfield, Portland, Oreg., 1918.  
 August Schnelle, Salt Lake City, 1919.  
 Ezra D. Haskins, Salt Lake City,  
 1920-21.

## VERMONT (13).

[Organized Dec. 23, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 880; posts, 72.]

Department commander-----	Charles H. Cota-----	St. Albans.
Senior vice department commander---	C. H. Granger-----	Rutland.
Junior vice department commander---	Henry J. Allen-----	Brattleboro.
Assistant adjutant general-----	H. P. Hunter-----	Brattleboro.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

A. M. Downs, Bennington.  
 W. W. Martin, Middlebury.  
 J. D. Hanrahan, Rutland.  
 Charles H. Stone, Fair Haven.  
 W. J. Cummings, Benson.

## ALTERNATES.

J. M. Hyde, Bennington.  
 F. H. Wilkins, Burlington.  
 John H. Amadon, Waterville.  
 John A. Thwing, Bellows Falls.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>12</sup> Past senior vice commander in chief.



## VERMONT—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

George P. Foster,<sup>2</sup> 1869.  
 W. W. Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1870-71.  
 W. G. Veasey,<sup>2</sup> 1872-73.  
 Stephen Thomas,<sup>2</sup> 1874-75.  
 T. S. Peck,<sup>2</sup> 1876-77.  
 J. H. Goulding,<sup>2</sup> 1878-79.  
 G. W. Hooker,<sup>2</sup> 1880-81.  
 A. B. Valentine,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 C. C. Kinsman,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 W. L. Greenleaf,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 G. T. Childs,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 P. D. Blodgett,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 H. E. Taylor,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 A. S. Tracy,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 Z. M. Mansur,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 D. L. Morgan, Rutland, 1891.  
 H. Henry,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 G. W. Doty,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 C. F. Branch,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 B. Cannon, jr.,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 N. M. Puffer,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 E. W. Jewett,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 L. B. Harris,<sup>2</sup> 1898.

F. G. Butterfield,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 U. A. Woodbury,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 J. H. Lucia,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 R. E. Hathorn, Ludlow, 1902.  
 Frank Kenfield,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 J. E. Eldredge,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 S. H. Wood, St. Albans, 1905.  
 J. A. Sheldon,<sup>2</sup> 1906.  
 A. C. Brown,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 C. E. Beach, Burlington, 1908.  
 A. B. Franklin,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 E. J. Foster, Waterbury, Conn., 1910.  
 C. M. Ferrin, Essex Junction, 1911.  
 A. A. Niles, Morrisville, 1912.  
 Thomas Hannon, Bennington, 1913.  
 Edward Baker, Montpelier, 1914.  
 George P. Martin, Burlington, 1915.  
 H. C. Streeter,<sup>2</sup> 1916.  
 C. T. S. Pierce, Vergennes, 1917-18.  
 A. T. Woodward, Rutland, 1919.  
 L. W. Bush, Townshend, 1920.  
 John R. Wilson, Worcester, 1921.

C. S. Palmer, Burlington, 1891, transferred from South Dakota.

## VIRGINIA AND NORTH CAROLINA (15).

[Organized July 27, 1871. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 252; posts, 18.]

Department commander-----Charles H. Haber---Nat'l Soldiers' Home.  
 Senior vice department commander--Charles Grandy-----Norfolk.  
 Junior vice department commander--George H. Gray-----Phoebus.  
 Assistant adjutant general-----Geo. H. Burchfield--Nat'l Soldiers' Home.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Joseph Jackson.  
 W. S. Wilson, National Soldiers' Home.

## ALTERNATES.

Nelson Carney, Portsmouth.  
 N. M. Hirshberg, Nat'l Soldiers' Home.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

William W. Eaton,<sup>2</sup> 1874.  
 William H. Appenzeller,<sup>2</sup> 1875-76.  
 William Ryder,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 R. G. Staples,<sup>2</sup> 1878.  
 Richard Bond,<sup>2</sup> 1879.  
 A. B. Hurlburt,<sup>2</sup> 1880.  
 W. Hervey King,<sup>2</sup> 1881.  
 P. T. Woodfin,<sup>2</sup> 1882-83.  
 B. C. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 H. DeB. Clay,<sup>2</sup> 1885-86.  
 John W. Woodman, Portsmouth, Va.,  
 1887-88.  
 R. P. Wheeler,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 N. J. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 H. D. Nicholas,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Edgar Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 W. Whitcomb,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. G. Fulton,<sup>2</sup> 1894.

James E. Porter,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 H. W. Weiss, Emporia, Va., 1896.  
 James W. Stebbins, Norfolk, Va., 1897.  
 James M. Davis,<sup>2</sup> 1898.  
 John W. Rutter, Portsmouth, Va., 1899.  
 A. B. Heistand,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 Peter Morton,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 C. D. Grew,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 H. M. Haas,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 J. C. Fowler,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 Isaac Powell, Newberne, N. C., 1905.  
 D. R. Wilson,<sup>31</sup> 1906.  
 A. A. Hagan,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Frank M. Work, National Soldiers'  
 Home, Kans., 1909.  
 Thomas Fogarty,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 Chas. H. Haber,<sup>1 37</sup> National Soldiers'  
 Home, Va., 1919-21.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>31</sup> See New York.

<sup>37</sup> Past junior vice commander in chief;  
 department commander.

## WASHINGTON AND ALASKA (30).

[Organized June 20, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 1,815; posts, 78.]

Department commander	-----	Enoch Sears	-----	Spokane.
Senior vice department commander	-----	P. Cragin	-----	Hoquiam.
Junior vice department commander	-----	A. P. Lawrence	-----	Seattle.
Assistant adjutant general	-----	S. H. Seckner	-----	Spokane.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

J. H. Chase, Cashmere.  
 John Duncan, Seattle.  
 W. H. Culber, Everett.  
 George Thornton, Yakima.  
 John Hammerly, Spokane.  
 J. L. Fisher, Spokane.  
 J. L. Rogers, Yakima.  
 George Lincoln, Seattle.  
 W. D. Chandler.  
 W. D. Reincehl, Spokane.

## ALTERNATES.

T. F. Colby, Seattle.  
 George Mamford, Orting.  
 A. Freedenberg, Vancouver.  
 A. W. Wilks, Puyallup.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. W. Sparling,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Geo. D. Hill,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 Henry A. Morrow,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 A. M. Brooks, Seattle, 1885.  
 C. M. Holton,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 A. P. Curry,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 J. W. Sprague,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 S. G. Cosgrove,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 M. M. Holmes,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 D. G. Lovell,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 J. S. Brown, Rochester, 1892.  
 Jos. F. Sinclair,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. N. Scott,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 Norman Buck,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 C. T. Patterson,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 J. F. McLean,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Geo. W. Tibbets, Seattle, 1898.  
 J. W. Langley,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 B. R. Freeman, Spokane, 1900.  
 Harry A. Bigelow,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 B. C. Bedell,<sup>2</sup> 1902.

Thos. H. Cavanaugh,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 Frank M. Davis, Seattle, 1904.  
 J. T. Goss,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 C. B. Dunning, Spokane, 1906.  
 W. H. Mock,<sup>2</sup> 1907.  
 Geo. H. Boardman, Tacoma, 1908.  
 Lyman Banks,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 W. H. Wiscombe, Spokane, 1910.  
 F. H. Hurd,<sup>8</sup> Seattle, 1911.  
 R. R. Harding, Port Angeles, 1912.  
 John E. Stewart, Spokane, 1913.  
 H. R. Gale, Bremerton, 1914.  
 H. W. North, Everett, 1915.  
 J. E. Gandy,<sup>38</sup> Spokane, 1916.  
 John J. See, Anacosta, 1917.  
 Samuel F. Street, Edmonds, 1918.  
 A. A. Stevens, Wenatchee, 1919.  
 O. D. McDonald, Santa Monica, Calif., 1920.  
 J. H. Coffman, Tacoma, 1921.

Jno. E. Phelps, Ritzville, 1889, transferred from Missouri.  
 E. A. Shores,<sup>2</sup> 1893, transferred from Wisconsin.

## WEST VIRGINIA (28).

[Organized Apr. 9, 1868. Reorganized Feb. 29, 1883. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 475; posts, 22.]

Department commander	-----	W. S. Clark	-----	Harrisville.
Senior vice department commander	-----	Benjamin Malone	-----	Buckharmon.
Junior vice department commander	-----	W. W. Rogers	-----	Wheeling.
Assistant adjutant general	-----	T. A. Black	-----	Parkersburg.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Thomas Carder, Parkersburg.  
 S. Resinger, Moundsville.  
 S. Lemon, Wheeling.

## ALTERNATES.

James White, Ravenswood.  
 David Thomas, Wheeling.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.<sup>38</sup> Junior vice commander in chief.



## WEST VIRGINIA—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

W. H. Flick,<sup>2</sup> 1883.  
 C. R. Smith,<sup>2</sup> 1884.  
 John Carlin,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 G. W. Taggart,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Lee Haymond,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 R. E. Fleming,<sup>2</sup> 1888.  
 S. S. Hazen,<sup>2</sup> 1889.  
 George Walker,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 I. H. Duval,<sup>2</sup> 1891.  
 Chas. E. Anderson, Weston, 1892.  
 Anthony Smith, Harrisville, 1893.  
 F. H. Crago,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 R. E. Lee,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 R. H. Freer,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 Thos. A. Malsby,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 Richard Robertson, Wheeling, 1898.  
 Chas. R. Le Valley,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 Arnold Brandley, Elkins, 1900.  
 M. B. Bartlett,<sup>2</sup> 1901.  
 C. C. Matthews, Moundsville, 1902.

Alex C. Moore,<sup>2</sup> 1903.  
 O. H. Michaelson, Charleston, 1904.  
 J. W. Shroyer,<sup>2</sup> 1905.  
 Thomas M. Mills, New Martinsville, 1906.  
 I. M. Adams, Ravenswood, 1907.  
 Thos. H. Marks,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 D. Mayer,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 J. L. Caldwell, Huntington, 1910.  
 Thos. V. Salisbury,<sup>2</sup> 1911.  
 E. A. Billingslea,<sup>2</sup> 1912.  
 John M. Millan,<sup>2</sup> 1913.  
 T. G. Hammond, Moundsville, 1914.  
 C. T. Reed,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 James T. Piggott, Parkersburg, 1916.  
 S. R. Hanen,<sup>8</sup> Glen Easton, 1918.  
 W. T. Cox,<sup>2</sup> 1919 (died in office).  
 L. B. Moore, Parkersburg, 1919.  
 W. S. Grafton, Wheeling, 1920.  
 H. S. White, Matewan, 1921.

## WISCONSIN (2).

[Organized June 7, 1868. Membership, Dec. 31, 1921, 2,357; posts, 158.]

Department commander	James F. Carle	Jamesville.
Senior vice department commander	H. K. Boyd	Eau Claire.
Junior vice department commander	Tom L. Johnson	Milwaukee.
Assistant adjutant general	E. B. Heimstreet	Lake Mills.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

Charles H. Baxter, Lancaster.  
 Peter Crave, Beloit.  
 Henry Stannard, Greenbush.  
 Herbert R. Bird, Madison.  
 Tom L. Johnson, Milwaukee.  
 Henry Hase, Milwaukee.  
 Edward Hart, Menasha.  
 Franklin Wilcox, Mauston.  
 Herman H. Hoffman, Amherst.  
 Dennis Meidam, Appleton.  
 Samuel W. Campbell, Hudson.  
 John M. House, Mellen.  
 Hosea W. Rood, Madison.

## ALTERNATES.

Orville Strong, Dodgeville.  
 P. D. Thomas, Racine.  
 E. B. Heimstreet, Lake Mills.  
 S. D. Gault, Richland Center.  
 Herbert E. Putnam, Milwaukee.  
 Charles M. Hambright, Milwaukee.  
 Henry C. Eaton, Fond du Lac.  
 Nathan B. Hood, Spring Green.  
 Ernest Klingenburg, Veterans' Home.  
 William Priest, Appleton.  
 Joseph F. Ellis, Eau Claire.  
 John P. Hellweg, Hayward.  
 Richard Reed, Rhinelander.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

James K. Proudfit,<sup>2</sup> 1866.  
 H. A. Starr,<sup>2</sup> 1867.  
 J. M. Rusk,<sup>2</sup> 1868.  
 T. S. Allen,<sup>2</sup> 1869-70.  
 Edward Ferguson,<sup>2</sup> 1871-72.  
 A. J. McCoy,<sup>2</sup> 1873.  
 G. A. Hannaford, Boise City, Idaho, 1874-75.  
 John Hancock,<sup>2</sup> 1876.  
 H. G. Rogers,<sup>2</sup> 1877.  
 F. S. Hammond,<sup>40</sup> 1878.  
 Griff J. Thomas,<sup>41</sup> Harvard, Nebr., 1879-1881.  
 H. M. Enos,<sup>2</sup> 1882.  
 Philip Cheek,<sup>2</sup> 1883-84.

James Davidson,<sup>2</sup> 1885.  
 Lucius Fairchild,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 H. P. Fisher,<sup>2</sup> 1886.  
 Michael Griffin,<sup>2</sup> 1887.  
 A. G. Weissert,<sup>18</sup> Milwaukee, 1888.  
 L. Ferguson, Brandon, 1889.  
 Benj. F. Bryant,<sup>2</sup> 1890.  
 W. H. Upham, Marshfield, 1891.  
 C. B. Welton,<sup>2</sup> 1892.  
 E. A. Shores,<sup>2</sup> 1893.  
 J. A. Watrous,<sup>2</sup> 1894.  
 W. D. Hoard,<sup>2</sup> 1895.  
 D. Lloyd Jones,<sup>2</sup> 1896.  
 E. B. Gray,<sup>2</sup> 1897.  
 C. H. Russell,<sup>2</sup> 1898.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>8</sup> National council of administration.

<sup>18</sup> Past commander in chief.

<sup>40</sup> See South Dakota.

<sup>41</sup> See Nebraska.

## WISCONSIN—Continued.

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS—continued.

Henry Harnden,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 S. H. Tallmadge,<sup>2</sup> 1899.  
 David J. James,<sup>2</sup> 1900.  
 A. H. DeGroff,<sup>7</sup> Oakland, Calif., 1901.  
 J. H. Agen,<sup>2</sup> 1902.  
 J. P. Rundle, Milwaukee, 1903.  
 Pliny Norcross,<sup>2</sup> 1904.  
 F. A. Copeland, La Crosse, 1905.  
 John W. Ganes, Ripon, 1906.  
 John C. Martin, Mineral Point, 1907.  
 E. D. Coe,<sup>2</sup> 1908.  
 R. B. Lang,<sup>2</sup> 1909.  
 William H. Grinnell, Beloit, 1909.

Frank A. Walsh, Milwaukee, 1910.  
 Hiram J. Smith, Racine, 1911.  
 George W. Spratt, Sheboygan Falls, 1912.  
 Chas. H. Henry, Eau Claire, 1913.  
 Samuel A. Cook,<sup>2</sup> 1914.  
 W. J. McKay,<sup>2</sup> 1915.  
 O. L. Rosenkrans, Milwaukee, 1916.  
 W. A. Wyse,<sup>2</sup> 1917.  
 George D. Breed, Chilton, 1918.  
 Robt. R. Campbell, Green Bay, 1919.  
 Walter O. Pietzsch, Madison, 1920.  
 M. L. Snyder, Waukesha, 1921.

A. B. Crampton, Milwaukee, 1914, transferred from Indiana.

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

<sup>7</sup> See California and Nevada.



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DEPARTMENTS IN ORDER OF SENIORITY, ACCORDING TO DATES  
OF PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AS HERETOFORE ANNOUNCED.

No.	Department.	Organized.
1	Illinois.....	Apr. 6, 1866
2	Wisconsin.....	June 7, 1866
3	Pennsylvania.....	Jan. 16, 1867
4	Ohio.....	Jan. 30, 1867
5	New York.....	Apr. 3, 1867
6	Connecticut.....	Apr. 11, 1867
7	Massachusetts.....	May 7, 1867
8	New Jersey.....	Dec. 10, 1867
9	Maine.....	Jan. 10, 1868
10	California and Nevada.....	Feb. 21, 1868
11	Rhode Island.....	Mar. 24, 1868
12	New Hampshire.....	June 30, 1868
13	Vermont.....	Oct. 23, 1868
14	Potomac, provisional department, organized Aug. 6, 1867.....	Feb. 13, 1869
15	Virginia and North Carolina.....	July 27, 1871
	As department of Virginia; name changed to Virginia and North Carolina May 20, 1892.	
16	Maryland, organized Jan. 8, 1868.....	June 9, 1876 <sup>1</sup>
17	Nebraska.....	June 11, 1877
18	Michigan, organized May 6, 1868.....	Jan. 22, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
19	Iowa, organized Sept. 26, 1866.....	Jan. 23, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
20	Indiana, organized Aug. 20, 1866.....	Oct. 3, 1879 <sup>1</sup>
21	Colorado and Wyoming.....	Dec. 11, 1879
	As department of the Mountains; name changed to Colorado July 31, 1882; name changed to Colorado and Wyoming Aug. 28, 1889.	
22	Kansas, organized Dec. 7, 1866.....	Mar. 16, 1880 <sup>1</sup>
23	Delaware.....	Jan. 14, 1881
24	Minnesota, organized Aug. 4, 1867.....	Aug. 17, 1881 <sup>1</sup>
25	Missouri, organized May 16, 1867.....	Apr. 22, 1882 <sup>1</sup>
26	Oregon.....	Sept. 28, 1882
27	Kentucky.....	Jan. 16, 1883
28	West Virginia, organized Apr. 9, 1868.....	Feb. 20, 1883 <sup>1</sup>
29	South Dakota.....	Feb. 27, 1883
	As department of Dakota; name changed to South Dakota Apr. 11, 1890.	
30	Washington and Alaska.....	June 20, 1883
31	Arkansas.....	July 11, 1883
32	New Mexico.....	July 14, 1883
33	Utah.....	Oct. 8, 1883
34	Tennessee.....	Feb. 26, 1884
35	Louisiana and Mississippi.....	May 15, 1884
	As department of the Gulf; name changed to Louisiana and Mississippi June 13, 1888.	
36	Florida.....	June 19, 1884
37	Montana.....	Mar. 10, 1885
38	Texas.....	Mar. 25, 1885
39	Idaho.....	Jan. 11, 1888
40	Arizona.....	Jan. 17, 1888
41	Georgia and South Carolina.....	Jan. 25, 1889
42	Alabama.....	Mar. 12, 1889
43	North Dakota.....	Apr. 23, 1890
44	Oklahoma.....	Aug. 7, 1890
	As department of Oklahoma and Indian Territory; name changed to Oklahoma July 3, 1891.	
45	Indian Territory.....	July 3, 1891
	Consolidated with and merged into the department of Oklahoma May 19-22, 1908.	

<sup>1</sup> Reorganized.





# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE ENCAMPMENT

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## THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, HELD AT DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 25 TO 29, 1922.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1922.—MORNING SESSION.

The Fifty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic convened at the Coliseum, Des Moines, Iowa, on September 28, 1922, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Senior Aid-de-camp Rufus L. Chase, of Iowa, anticipating the formal call to order, asked the privilege of the floor. He stated that the chamber of commerce of Des Moines had prepared a mallet for the use of the commander in chief, which in their name he now presented to him. The mallet is made of walnut and cherry grown in Iowa. It is bound with bands of gold, bears the insignia of the Grand Army of the Republic, the four stars of the commander in chief, and a suitable inscription. The commander in chief is desired to retain it as a memento of this encampment over which he is to preside.

Comrade Chase further said that the two Grand Army posts in the city of Des Moines wanted to give to the commander in chief something that he could take home and remember them by. He then presented to him a silk American flag, saying that whenever he passed this emblem of liberty, it was hoped that he would remember the comrades of the State of Iowa.

Commander in chief LEWIS S. PILCHER, of New York: My dear comrade, we have all followed the flag. We all adore Old Glory. [Applause.] Here we are in its name and for its help; with the same spirit we exhibited when we were boys, as old men we still love it. I shall cherish this flag until the day of my translation in memory of the comrades of Des Moines.

And now my thanks are due to the chamber of commerce for this beautiful gavel which has the star of the Grand Army and the four stars of the commander in chief. I shall try to use it with judgment.

I herewith announce the appointment as officer of the day of Comrade Samuel D. Webster, of Ransom Post, of the Department of Missouri; and as officer of the guard Comrade J. W. Cox, of Crocker Post, Des Moines.

(Comrade Cox was unable to serve as officer of the guard, and Comrade C. O. Seaman, of Crocker Post, acted instead. The members of the guard were Comrades N. G. Curry, J. F. Baker, H. Carl, J. B. Brown, L. H. Bradshaw, and J. J. Neuman, of Crocker Post, and Comrades H. A. Siders, E. Manbeck, Frank Howard, J. J. Hartung, W. L. Witter, and John Daly, of Kinsman Post, Des



Moines. The officer of the day, the officer of the guard, and the guards performed their several duties in a highly creditable and efficient manner, and received the thanks of the commander in chief at the conclusion of the encampment.)

The commander in chief then called the members of the encampment to their feet by the gavel, and the encampment was opened in due form, including the ritualistic invocation by Chaplain in Chief George B. Smith, as follows:

Almighty Father, humbly we bow before Thee, our Creator, Preserver, Guide, and Protector. We thank Thee for our lives; for Thy mercy which has kept us until this hour; for Thy guidance on land and sea, by day and by night; for Thy constant care in our hours of danger; and for the preservation of our national integrity and unity. Be graciously near to our comrades who suffer from disease or wounds, and to the widows and orphans of those who fell in our holy cause; in all distresses comfort them and give us willing hearts and ready hands to supply their needs. Bless our country; grant that the memory of our noble dead, who freely gave their lives for the land they loved, may dwell ever in our hearts. Bless our order; make it an instrument of great good; keep our names on the roll of Thy servants, and at last receive us into that grand army above, where Thou, O God, art the Supreme Commander. Amen.

The roll of officers was then called, with the following result:

Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher: Present.  
 Senior Vice Commander in Chief Robert W. McBride: Present.  
 Junior Vice Commander in Chief Henry A. Johnson: Present.  
 Surgeon General Marshall W. Wood: Present.  
 Chaplain in Chief Rev. George B. Smith: Present.  
 Adjutant General William C. Peckham: Present.  
 Quartermaster General Cola D. R. Stowits: Present.  
 Judge Advocate General Thomas S. Hopkins: Absent.  
 Inspector General Richard A. Sarle: Present.  
 National Patriotic Instructor Levi Longfellow: Present.  
 Assistant Adjutant General Thomas J. McConekey: Present.  
 Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian of Record Samuel P. Town: Present.  
 Chief of Staff Birt F. Parsons: Present.  
 Senior Aid-de-Camp Rufus L. Chase: Present.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The report of the committee on credentials.

Adj. Gen. WILLIAM C. PECKHAM. Commander in Chief, the committee on credentials have examined the credentials of all the departments present. The Department of Arizona is not represented. In the case of the Department of Utah we have to report a change of delegates from the printed list in the two delegates to which this department is entitled—R. D. Woodruff, delegate at large, and P. J. Goble, delegate for the membership. With those changes we hereby recommend that the printed roll as published be adopted as the roll of this encampment.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Do I hear a second? (Motion seconded.) Seconded by many voices, that the printed roll, with the changes noted and with such other changes as may be found necessary to make the roll correct, be adopted as the roll of the membership of this encampment. All in favor will say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is adopted.

The next in order is the address of the commander in chief. Will Senior vice commander in chief McBride take the chair?

(The senior vice commander in chief took the chair, and the commander in chief then read his address, as follows:)

### ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

COMRADES: For the fifty-sixth time the Grand Army of the Republic has convened in a national encampment. Since, in the very nature of its organization, no young blood could be infused into its veins, it is with a membership averaging over 80 years of age that it assembles to-day. No such august body has ever been convened before. To the reverence due the age of its members is to be added the homage due to the fact that as defenders of the Union of these States and the preservers of the integrity of the great American Republic they first won their right of association as the Grand Army of the Republic.

During all these 56 years these men have been in the most eminent degree the embodiment of the spirit of patriotic loyalty to native land. Other wars have come and gone, and each body of younger men who have fought these later wars has in its turn looked up to the veterans of the sixties as the highest type of patriots, while it has striven to emulate their virtues.

#### I. IOWA'S INVITATION.

The Nation's gratitude to its preservers, now grown old in years and few in numbers, is well exemplified in the spirit which fills the air of Des Moines and of Iowa at this moment. The records of the encampments of the past are records of welcome, of lavish hospitality, of honors and praise and appreciation. The great cities of the Northern States have vied with each other in the enthusiasm with which they have in turn received the Grand Army. Even such southern cities as Louisville and Chattanooga received it with a warmth of appreciation that was most notable, the memories of which are still cherished by those who were privileged to be participants therein.

It has happened that until this year no city in the State of Iowa has entertained the Grand Army of the Republic, although Iowa's record of loyal devotion to the Union and of the high character of the men it furnished to the armies of its defenders is surpassed by no State and equaled by but few. The names of Dodge and Crocker and Belknap, Corse and Curtis, among the heroes in Iowa's list, will never cease to command the homage of the Nation which they served so well.

When the invitation to the Grand Army of the Republic to come to its capital city was presented a year ago, it was attended with a promise of welcome and high estimate of the merits of the Grand Army that created the liveliest expectations of pleasure upon our part and commanded an instant and unanimous acceptance. When the commander in chief with his staff visited Des Moines in March last for the purpose of completing the arrangements of the week of the encampment he met with a reception that was most cordial, and found everywhere an enthusiasm that was both contagious and prophetic. The promise of that visit has now been fully realized by the character of the reception which we have received, the assidu-



ousness with which every want has been supplied, and the fullness with which every courtesy has been shown, and this not to ourselves alone but to all our auxiliary societies as well.

## II. TRIBUTE TO THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER.

The present year has been notable for the events of special patriotic interest which have occurred during its course, in which the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic was privileged to take part.

The national and international tribute to the unknown soldier of the World War, which was celebrated with solemn pomp on November 11, 1921 (armistice day), was the first of these events.

In the name of the Grand Army of the Republic the commander in chief shared in the homage paid to this unknown soldier, and placed a wreath upon the sarcophagus containing his remains as it lay in the Rotunda of the Capitol at Washington.

## III. IN MEMORIAM WILLIAM A. KETCHAM.

Hardly had the emotions aroused by this observance passed when they were reawakened acutely by the sudden death of my predecessor in the commandership, William A. Ketcham. The rugged, forceful characteristics of this man, united to an apparently vigorous physique, had suggested many years of productive activity and merited honor for him after the completion of his strenuous official year.

On the 12th of December I had received a letter from him. Many kind things he had said in this letter, concluding with a paragraph which I deem of sufficient importance to be repeated here for the consideration of all my comrades in their attitude toward their commander in chief. These were his words:

Now, nearly three months after my muster-out. I still recognize the fact that the year, coupled with the fact that I have fully entered upon the last quarter of a century of life, has had quite an effect on me, and so, at the risk of seeming impertinent, which is the furthest possible from my intention, I beg to suggest to you that neither you nor I are as young as we were 60 or 75 years ago, and that those things that we could do without any difficulty in the last century are dangerous in this.

Then followed his signature, not a formal, perfunctory one, but one which meant much, coming from such a man. It was—

Very sincerely, your friend,

W. A. KETCHAM.

Two weeks later came the telegram announcing that my friend was no more! In the dead of night, alone in his library, fate overtook him. There remained for me only the melancholy duty of taking part in the honors due him as a departed comrade, a soldier of the war, while I took to myself the warning which had been his last legacy to his successor. Let me pass on to my own successor this warning which his words and his fate conveyed, while to all my comrades of the Grand Army they may serve as a suggestion that the time has come when there should be an abatement of the strenuous services which custom and tradition have hitherto exacted from a commander in chief.



## IV. CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF GENERAL GRANT.

April 27 was the centennial anniversary of the birth of Ulysses Simpson Grant, the foremost leader of the armies of the Union and the greatest military character of modern times.

The observance of this anniversary became a nation-wide celebration. Awakened and stimulated by the systematic labors of the Grand Army of the Republic, the interest in this event became universal. The result was the diffusion of a more just appreciation of the character of our great leader and of his services to this country. Crowning all the tributes to his memory that the day witnessed was the dedication of the monument to him, which for many years had been in course of erection at the base of the Capitol Hill in Washington. In the services of this dedication the Grand Army of the Republic bore a conspicuous part, and the final act of dedication was performed by its commander in chief.

The agencies which were employed by the Grand Army for awaking public sentiment and bringing to a suitable climax the observances of this day were manifold but were made easy by the universal enthusiasm with which our requests were acceded to, whenever made. For months the headquarters of the Grand Army was alive with the activities preparing for this day. Upon the adjutant general and the secretary of the commander in chief the burden of these unusual demands at headquarters chiefly rested, and I feel it a pleasure to make this public, formal acknowledgment of the debt due to these officials. The prompt and able action of the national patriotic instructor, Comrade Longfellow, in preparing the official program of exercises and in corresponding with the department patriotic instructors to secure their general cooperation in these plans, is deserving of particular commendation. The executive committee representing the national committee formed were indefatigable in carrying out their part of the work. Their more detailed report, which is herewith submitted, should be read by all. Especially to the secretary of this committee, Comrade Albert E. Sholes, should credit be given for his great labor, persistent effort, and unflagging enthusiasm in the prosecution of the work of the committee. The large volume of documents and newspaper clippings, forming a comprehensive record of the tributes to General Grant throughout the whole Nation, which accompanies the report of the committee, represents an immense amount of intelligent, enthusiastic labor bestowed by Comrade Sholes. I recommend that the thanks of the encampment be given to him for this work, and that the volume be appropriately bound and deposited in the Library of Congress for permanent preservation.

## V. THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL DEDICATION.

Memorial Day of this year was made especially notable by the dedication of the national memorial to Abraham Lincoln at the National Capital. By the side of the Potomac it stands, a majestic and fitting temple dedicated to the honor of that greatest of Americans. The simple exercises that marked the occasion were befitting the character of the man whom the world has learned to honor as among the most illustrious of men. Nature smiled most propitiously



that afternoon while many thousands of people took part in the ceremony of the hour. To the Grand Army of the Republic was assigned the honor of the special dedicatory service, which was carried out by the commander in chief, assisted by Comrade Fallows, of Illinois. During the morning of the same day I had been permitted to take part in the Memorial Day services held in the great auditorium in the Arlington National Cemetery, and later in the day to be present at the exercises at the Battle Ground National Cemetery at Fort Stevens.

The experiences of such a day can never be duplicated. To have had the opportunity of sharing in them will remain among the most cherished of memories as long as life shall last.

The Grand Army of the Republic has reason to feel gratified at the consideration which was given it, both at the ceremonies at the Grant monument and at the Lincoln Memorial.

Anyone who is at all conversant with affairs must recognize that the overwhelming trend of new issues tends ever to push out of memory the past. That at this time the claims of the Grand Army for proper representation in these events were not overlooked was due to the courage, energy, influence, and persistence of certain of its comrades resident in Washington, among whom it is but just that John McElroy and John L. Clem should be particularly named. Their influence has been strengthened by the cooperation of Past Commanders in Chief Tanner and Gardner, Junior Vice Commander in Chief Johnson, Judge Advocate General Hopkins, and other comrades resident in Washington.

#### VI. MEMORIAL DAY.

Advices from every quarter show that never before has the interest in Memorial Day been so great and universal as this year has witnessed. This fact has justified the expectation that it would become the great national holy day of the year. Established originally by the Grand Army of the Republic as a day upon which the survivors of the war for the Union should especially recall to memory the virtues and sacrifices of those of their own comrades who had fallen by their side on the field of honor, it has attained a broader significance, as other wars have brought their meed of heroes, who have made the same sacrifices, to honor whom the country also feels a similar call; so that to-day the whole Nation observes it as sacred to the memory of all its sons, who in any age or on any field have given their lives for their country. As the Grand Army by age and the inroads of death shall find itself no longer able to bear the part in such a day, which for so many years has been its privilege and duty, may it not be solaced by the thought that it has bequeathed to a whole nation a new bond of unity and patriotic devotion, which will grow stronger and more effective for good as the years of the future multiply.

Memorial Day is both pathetic and prophetic. While it celebrates the past, it in an important degree prepares for the future. Its observances sink into the hearts of the children and youth of to-day, and prepare them for the call of coming years. In the processions of the day, the honored heroes, survivors of past perils, wearing laurels



of a nation's gratitude for dangers faced for country's sake, the martial music, the streaming colors, the pomp and circumstances of the marching columns, can not fail to awaken questions as to the past and create patriotic emotions fruitful for the future. A great educational agency, pregnant with future good, has been created in the institution of Memorial Day. In the public services of Memorial Day, the veterans of the Grand Army will doubtless be accorded the leading place as long as any of them shall survive, but already we have reached that period of life when we gladly welcome the assistance and cooperation of all patriotic bodies in carrying out the duties of the day. Let it be our pleasure then to invite to join with us, in addition to our recognized auxiliaries, the Sons of Veterans, the veterans of the Spanish War and of the World War. As they are willing to carry on the work of Memorial Day, let the veterans of the sixties rejoice in their help and promise of perpetuation of the sacred duty.

#### VII. JOURNEYS AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

The experience of the year has confirmed me in my opinion as to the value and importance of personal contact of the commander in chief with the men to command whom he has been chosen. It at the same time has demonstrated to me the impossibility of its achievement in the full degree desired. To obtain the fullest results possible in the time at my disposal I adopted a series of itineraries, taking in department encampments whenever possible, and in other instances availing myself of the willingness of the comrades in various centers to organize receptions for me. My first itinerary included the Southern States; my second the New England States; my third the States of the Pacific coast, with Illinois and Missouri on the way thither and Idaho and Utah on the return. The last two named itineraries were shortened by the necessity of my presence in Washington on the anniversary of the birth of General Grant and on Memorial Day. During the month of June I was able to visit the encampments of the departments of New York, Ohio, Michigan, and New Jersey. Such important departments as Maine, Vermont, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, West Virginia, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado, and Montana, I was unable to reach at all, greatly to my regret. To represent me in these last-named departments I called into service the senior and junior vice commanders in chief, the surgeon general, and the chaplain in chief, with the visits of all of which officers the several departments assigned to them have expressed themselves as highly pleased. It has seemed to me as the year has progressed that never has a commander been more favored in the ability and high character of the corps of officers associated with him than has been witnessed during this year. Thus my own labors have been greatly lightened.

I have enjoyed the opportunities given me to become acquainted with my comrades in all parts of the country. At many gatherings, anniversaries, reunions, memorial occasions, luncheons, dinners, and camp fires; before countless meetings of our auxiliary societies; before patriotic and commercial bodies of every kind, I have been received as the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Re-



public. The acclaim of enthusiastic regard that has everywhere attended the appearance of the commander in chief has ever testified to the esteem in which the veterans of the Grand Army are held by their countrymen. Especially by the young men has this been displayed. To have had a share in such ovations could not but have produced a certain degree of elevation in the mind of the recipient when fatigue was forgotten and the enthusiasm of the moment was supreme. Thus it is that at the close of my year of service I find myself with vigor undiminished and with knowledge and enthusiasm greatly increased.

#### VIII. OUR AUXILIARIES.

The work of the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the Grand Army, and the Daughters of Veterans has continued to be conspicuously important and helpful during this year. All the encomiums bestowed by my predecessors upon these organizations are repeated by me. In many departments I have been privileged to visit their gatherings and to note their spirit and their enthusiasm. The ability, the devotion, the lofty aims, the high character, and the gracious attitude of the chief officers of these auxiliaries has been greatly appreciated by me upon the often occasions during the year when our duties have brought us into association. That around the Grand Army of the Republic there should have clustered these auxiliary organizations is occasion for profound thankfulness. We recognize our indebtedness to them; we are proud of their association with us; we rejoice in the promise for the future which their existence presages.

The Sons of Veterans and their auxiliary should command the deep interest and cooperation of their fathers of the Grand Army. It is to be regretted that the claims of this organization have not appealed to a larger number of our sons. It is, however, a vigorous, growing, patriotic organization, animated especially by a pride in the deeds of their fathers. They are especially engaged in Americanization work in the schools and in the foreign quarters of our large cities. They have been very helpful in the labors of Memorial Day; they have acted as the official escort to the Grand Army of the Republic on many occasions. I have met both with the sons and with their auxiliary at many places and have formed a respect for them, an interest in them, and an affection for them which I wish I could transmit to all my comrades.

#### IX. FEDERATION OF PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES.

Past Commander in Chief Adams in his address at the opening of the fifty-third national encampment in 1919 (see Journal, 1919, p. 107) expressed the opinion that not only the Grand Army of the Republic, the Spanish War Veterans, and the American Legion, but all other patriotic organizations should form a strong union of their respective societies for the promotion of patriotic ends. He accordingly recommended that the Grand Army take the initiative in forming such a patriotic federation, and that committees should be appointed to perfect and establish this undertaking.



In accordance with this recommendation Comrades Clarendon E. Adams, Washington Gardner, Ell Torrance, William S. Matthews, and Wilfred A. Wetherbee were appointed such committee under the title of committee on federation of patriotic societies.

This committee made a report to the fifty-fourth national encampment (Journal, 1920, p. 76), which was referred to the committee on resolutions of that body for consideration and report, which committee later reported that it was inexpedient to consider it any further at that time (Journal, 1920, p. 113) and recommended that its further consideration should be postponed. This recommendation was adopted by the encampment. The effect of this action was to lay on the table the report of the committee, but to leave the committee still in existence. At the fifty-fifth national encampment no action on the matter was taken and no report was made by the committee. At the request of the commander in chief the chairman of that committee, Past Commander in Chief Adams, now submits a report from the committee in which he asks that the present encampment dispose of the report made two years ago. (See p. 165 of this Journal.) I fully concur with this request that the report of this committee be taken from the table and that definite and final action be taken upon it. Ample time has now been enjoyed for consideration as to whether or not it is desirable for the Grand Army of the Republic to enter into such federation. The question practically is whether the influence of these organizations along the lines of patriotic work would by a formal federation be greater than now results from their efforts individually, or whether such federation would open possibilities of future complications that might materially detract from its usefulness. These considerations are matters for judgment, but not for further postponement of action.

#### X. THE GETTYSBURG PEACE MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

For 10 years the roll of standing committees of the Grand Army has contained a committee composed of from 12 to 15 comrades, under the designation of committee on the Gettysburg peace monument. The formation of this committee by the forty-seventh national encampment was the result of the enthusiasm generated at the Gettysburg reunion of 1913, and was intended to create and carry on a movement to secure the erection on the Gettysburg battle field of a great national monument to commemorate the spirit of nation-wide amity, conspicuously present at the reunion, and the disappearance from the United States of sectional hatred and strife. Unfortunately new issues, due to the European war and the ultimate involvement of the United States in that war, immediately thereafter wholly engrossed the interest of the Nation. It was evident that the time was unfavorable for any attempt to secure attention to the monument proposition. Nor have later public conditions suggested that it would be received with favor. Since 1914 no meetings of this committee have been held; no reports to any national encampment subsequent to 1914 have been rendered by it. At the present time there seems no probability of the successful accomplishment of



its purpose, at least during the lifetime of the comrades of the Grand Army. My predecessor in office did not reappoint the committee. Since, however, no action was taken by the last national encampment to discontinue it, the committee as constituted in 1920 was reappointed by me. My judgment, however, is that it should be discontinued by formal vote of an encampment, and I so recommend.

#### XI. COMPULSORY STUDY OF THE LIFE OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN IN SCHOOLS.

The fifty-fifth national encampment directed that a committee should be appointed to prepare a model bill, to be presented to the legislatures of the various States of the Union, for a law to make the study of the life of Abraham Lincoln a part of the curriculum to be taught in the high schools of their respective States (Journal, 1921, p. 110). In accordance with this action the appointment of Comrades Washington Gardner, Charles G. Burton, and Samuel Fallows as such committee was confirmed by the encampment. I am informed by the chairman of the committee that thus far it has been impracticable to get this committee together, and no action has been taken by it under this appointment.

The encampment also voted that by each department of the Grand Army a committee should be appointed whose duty it should be to go before the legislature of its particular State and ask it to pass such a law. The commander in chief is not aware that this injunction has been complied with in any State. While the commander in chief does not wish to be considered as an unqualified opponent of this particular method of procedure, for it seems to him to smack somewhat of the tendency often observable among most estimable people to make men good by legislation, he nevertheless has felt it his duty to call attention to the status of this particular action of the Grand Army that it may be modified, emphasized, or reversed, as upon further reflection may seem best. It is unthinkable that any youth could pass through the course of instruction in any school in America without having become thoroughly familiar with the character, career, and merits of Abraham Lincoln.

The recent venomous attack upon his character, made under circumstances which gave it wide publicity, does not lessen the world's estimate of his worth; it can only tend to reawaken slumbering animosities and rudely disturb the feeling of peace and good will between Federal and Confederate which had begun to prevail throughout the Nation. Good may come out of it, however, if it awakens all lovers of truth and fatherland to scrutinize more closely the character of the instruction in the department of American history that is given in the public schools of the land. Here is a field in which the patriotic instructors of the Grand Army of the Republic can do most valuable service. Every such official should make it his first duty to examine the textbooks of history that are in the hands of the children of his vicinage. With 5,000 such enthusiastic and well-equipped critics scattered throughout this country, the danger of erroneous and improper teaching should be reduced to a minimum. Here is a field, too, where our patriotic auxiliaries can wield an immense influence for good and demonstrate a practical federation of patriotic effort.



## XII. THE CHANDLER CASE.

Attention is called to the decision of Judge Advocate General Hopkins, in the matter of the appeal of W. C. Chandler, of the Department of Tennessee. This matter has been under consideration since the administration as commander in chief of David J. Palmer, 1914 and 1915, who in an executive order then declared that W. C. Chandler was not entitled to membership in the Grand Army of the Republic and directed that his name be stricken from its rolls. (Journal, 1915, p. 63.)

An appeal to the national encampment was taken by Chandler, which was presented to the fifty-first national encampment and referred to a committee for investigation. The finding of this committee was that the proceedings in the case had been irregular, and that it had not properly come before the commander in chief for action. It was accordingly ordered that the whole matter be referred back to the commander of the Department of Tennessee for such action as he might elect to take in the premises, and that meantime Chandler be recognized as a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The commander of the Department of Tennessee thereupon ordered the post of which Chandler was a member (Post 106) to investigate the charges against him. This order the post did not obey, but instead elected Chandler as its commander, into which office he was installed in January, 1920. This action was repeated in 1921.

In 1920 he was also elected senior vice commander of the Department of Tennessee.

In consequence of the failure of Post No. 106 to proceed against Chandler in the manner prescribed by the rules and regulations of the Grand Army, Chandler himself being the commander of the post, the department commander ordered the senior vice commander of the post to appoint a committee of the members of Post No. 106 to investigate the record of Chandler and report to him. On September 12, 1921, this committee reported that, from all the information they could get, W. C. Chandler was never mustered in or out of the United States service in the War of 1861-1865.

The commander of the Department of Tennessee, W. W. Lowry, thereupon issued an order, dated September 15, 1921, declaring the mustering of W. C. Chandler into the Grand Army of the Republic to be null and void, and suspending the said Chandler from all service in the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Tennessee, and ordering that his name be dropped from the roll of Post 106.

W. C. Chandler immediately appealed to Commander in Chief Ketcham from this decision of the commander of the Department of Tennessee, but the nearness of the end of Commander Ketcham's administration prevented any consideration of the appeal by him. No papers relating to the case were transmitted to the present administration. A new appeal was therefore prepared. This appeal and the documents connected therewith is the subject of the opinion of Judge Advocate General Hopkins, herewith submitted.

The opinion of the Judge Advocate General that W. C. Chandler is eligible to membership in the Grand Army is concurred in by me. The evidence shows that as a Union volunteer, on his way to be



mustered in, he was captured and held in a rebel prison for 20 months until set free by the close of the war. Such a "muster in" was a more positive and sacred one than the administration of an oath by any mustering officer. In fact the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army make no mention of the "muster in," but do specify "service." There is no dispute about the fact that as a prisoner of war, a soldier of the United States Army, he was detained in prison for 20 months. From every point of view the technical requirements of service are satisfied in this case. The record of his discharge from prison should be accepted as an honorable discharge fully satisfying the requirements of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic. I have therefore directed that the decision of the commander of the Department of Tennessee be reversed, and that the name of William C. Chandler be restored to the roll of Post 106, Department of Tennessee, and that he be readmitted to all the privileges and honors hitherto bestowed upon him by his comrades.

### XIII. LEGISLATION.

It has not seemed necessary during this year to formally call any meeting of the legislative committee. The continued presence in Washington of the chairman of the committee, Comrade John L. Clem, and of his associate, John McElroy, has secured for the Grand Army a constant vigilance and an effective influence in all matters of national legislation affecting directly the Grand Army of the Republic. Of these matters the most outstanding one has been the final inauguration of the monthly payment of pensions, under the direction of the present Commissioner of Pensions, our comrade, Washington Gardner, who has announced through the public prints that under the provisions of the act of May 3, 1922, all pensioners will hereafter be paid monthly instead of quarterly.

On September 4, 1922, those pensioners last paid on the 4th of June preceding received checks for the usual quarterly amount; those last paid on July 4 received pension for two months; and those last paid on August 4 received pension for one month. Thereafter all payments will be made monthly.

The commissioner states also that the Congress has granted a material increase to the office force at the Pension Bureau with a view to bringing up the work of the bureau until it is substantially current. It is estimated that this will take about a year, or until July 1, 1923. The Congress also materially increased the force in order to meet the monthly payment of pensions when these fall due.

### THE BURSUM BILL.

September 8, 1922, there was passed in the Senate a bill affecting pensions, introduced by Senator Bursum. This bill establishes for veterans of the Civil War a pension of \$72 a month and for widows who have attained the age of 62 years a pension of \$50 per month, without limitation as to date of marriage to the veteran, provided the marriage was contracted prior to the passage of the bill and the continuity of the marriage relation was maintained to the date of the death of the veteran. These are the most important provisions of this bill, which in its various sections is intended to codify previ-



ous legislation as to pensions. Section 5 of the bill specifies that the pension or increase of pension provided for shall commence from the date of filing application therefor in the Bureau of Pensions after the passage of the act. That is to say, anyone who wishes to secure the benefit of its provisions must make application therefor. It is, however, further provided that no pension heretofore granted under any act, public or private, shall be reduced by anything contained in this act.

The justness and generosity of the provisions of this act will appeal to the support of every friend of the aged veteran or veteran's widow. I recommend that this encampment take suitable action expressing its satisfaction therewith, and urging the favorable and speedy action of the House of Representatives.

The bill for the incorporation of the Grand Army remains in statu quo as reported by Commander in Chief Ketcham in his address of last year. (Journal, 1921, p. 60.) I have asked the committee having charge of this matter to submit a report as to its status to this encampment. I ask your attention to this report.

#### XIV. FINANCES.

The reports of the quartermaster general and of the committee on the permanent fund show a gratifying condition of the treasury of the Grand Army. The wisdom of increasing the amount of the per capita tax ordered by the fifty-fourth national encampment has been abundantly justified by the experience of this year. It has not been necessary to make any draft upon the permanent fund for current expenses. The interest accruing from this invested fund has been an important item in defraying the current expenses of the year. The unusual expenses attending the Grant centennial efforts amounted to over \$1,000, but the wise forethought of the adjutant general in his arrangements for the printing and distribution of the special program of the anniversary day secured a return to the treasury of more than enough to meet this expense. The labor of distributing 42,000 of these programs and of collecting and accounting for the moneys accruing therefrom was done entirely by the adjutant general and the secretary of the commander in chief without any expense to the Grand Army. These officials have earned the grateful recognition of this encampment for their generous, assiduous, and successful labors.

Another item in this connection is worthy of your attention, viz, the recognition of the generosity and comradely spirit shown by U. S. Grant Post, No. 327, Department of New York, in placing at the disposal of the Grand Army for the headquarters of the commander in chief a suite of spacious and comfortable rooms in their fine mansion, without any expense for rent, or light, or heat, or service.

It is worthy of record also that the work of the commander in chief at these headquarters has been done at a desk which was the property of Gen. U. S. Grant, and was used by him as his business



desk during the years of his residence in New York City after the close of his labors as President of the United States. This desk, surmounted by a fine bronze bust of Grant himself, with the Stars and Stripes and the headquarters flag of the commander in chief draped upon the wall above, has secured a most fitting setting for the headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic during this centennial anniversary year of the birth of our great leader.

The continuance of the very substantial contributions from our auxiliaries to our treasury demands our grateful recognition. The spirit in which these gifts have been tendered, as if it was a privilege for them to give and its reception a favor conferred, has doubled the value of these gifts. There is no suggestion in these gifts that the Grand Army is yet so straightened in its circumstances as to need outside aid. Their tender is more an expression of a desire to be admitted to a share in the patriotic work of the Grand Army. In this spirit we welcome their practical cooperation, and are grateful for it.

I hold in my hand practical evidences of this spirit of cooperation upon the part of these auxiliaries. From the auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans is a check to the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for \$500. [Applause.] And here, from the Daughters of Veterans, to the quartermaster of the Grand Army of the Republic, is a check for \$700. [Applause.] And here is a check made out to the commander in chief himself, personally, to be transferred to the quartermaster general, from the Woman's Relief Corps, for \$1,000. [Applause.]

#### IN CONCLUSION.

There remains before me a few hours only of administrative labor as the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. These hours, however, are hours of intense responsibility in preparation for which have been all the preceding days of the year.

The past year has been one of numerous special responsibilities, many of which have been mentioned. I trust that I have been able to meet these responsibilities in a manner to preserve the honor and credit of the Grand Army and to secure the approval of my comrades. During my year of office I have realized clearly the value to the Grand Army, and the help to myself, as commander in chief, of the presence in our midst of such a specially able and experienced body of men as is found in so many living past commanders in chief. As I find the moment drawing so near when I shall be admitted to the fellowship of that body, there arises in my mind a lively expectation of the honor and the freedom from responsibility which attaches to a past commander in chief.

During this year I have enjoyed a residence whose windows overlooked the whole expanse of the harbor of New York. Among all the wonders of the immense traffic that the commerce of the world brings to its bosom, among the beauties of natural scenery that characterize its waters, its islands, its shores; among the wonders of man's creation which, as lofty buildings form its sky line, or as



graceful bridges span its waters, to the amazement and admiration of mankind, there is one object which dominates the whole scene. I see its great white light the last thing when I retire at night, and the first thing that greets my eye in the morning is its magnificent form as with upstretched arm it holds aloft a torch to enlighten the world. It symbolizes that for which our fathers fought, and to perpetuate which we gave our own youthful devotion in the armed field. It recalls to memory the help which in our time of need, during the struggle for birth as a nation, a mighty people from across the Atlantic brought to us a most signal act of national fraternity never to be forgotten.

Surely the constant presence before my eyes of this great symbol of international amity has not failed to kindle in my own heart responsive sentiments of patriotic devotion and of fraternal regard. Animated by such emotions, I would that the last words of this address to you, my comrades, should be those which were the watchwords of our Revolutionary fathers, and which expressed the passion of our own youth, "liberty" and "fraternity."

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I appoint as a committee on this address, Past Commander in Chief Ell Torrance, of Minnesota; Past Commander in Chief James Tanner, of New York; Past Commander in Chief Charles G. Burton, of Missouri; Comrade James W. Willett, of Iowa; and Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF (resuming the chair). Reports of other national officers are next in order.

Comrade J. E. GANDY, of Washington and Alaska. In view of the fact that these several reports are all printed and in our hands, I move that the reading of the same be omitted.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The commander in chief will alter that phraseology slightly. It is moved by Comrade Gandy, of Washington, that the reading of these reports be dispensed with and they be referred to committees without being read. Adopted.

(At this point the commander in chief stated that an appeal from his decision in the Chandler case by the Department of Tennessee had been filed with the adjutant general. In order that sufficient time might be given for its consideration, without unnecessarily and unduly prolonging the time of the encampment, it would seem well that it should be received at this moment, and for that purpose he would entertain a motion to suspend the usual order of business and pass over for the moment to new business at this time.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Does anyone make the motion?

Comrade CHARLES SMITH, of Illinois. I make the motion.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that such action be taken. All in favor of the motion, say "aye." Opposed, "no." The motion is carried.



(Asst. Adjt. Gen. McConekey then read the following communication:)

KNOXVILLE, TENN., *September 12, 1922.*

Department of Tennessee, Grand Army of the Republic, v. W. C. Chandler.

In this cause I hereby appeal from the rulings and decisions in the foregoing cause by the commander in chief to the national encampment, and ask for a revision of the manifest errors contained therein.

This September 12, 1922.

P. W. EVANS,

*Commander Department of Tennessee, G. A. R.*

B. F. BASHOR,

*Assistant Adjutant General Department of Tennessee.*

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, sir, that this appeal be referred to the committee that is to report to this encampment upon the judge advocate general's report, and that they shall report to this encampment forthwith all the facts in this case.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. Before that is put, may I suggest to the encampment that the judge advocate's report be referred to a special committee, and to this end, as preliminary to the motion made now by Comrade Cole, there be made a motion that the report of the judge advocate general be referred to a special committee, and then that this appeal be also referred to that committee. I am ready to receive such a motion.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief ROBERT W. MCBRIDE. I move as a substitute for the motion of Comrade Cole that this matter be referred to the committee on the address of the commander in chief, and I make that motion for the reason that the matter will have to be considered and reported upon by that particular committee, and they will be in a position to pass upon the whole matter.

Comrade COLE. I accept the substitute.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the report of the judge advocate general and the appeal from the Department of Tennessee be referred to the committee already appointed upon the commander in chief's address. Are you ready for the question? All in favor will say "aye"; opposed "no." The motion prevails.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will return to the regular order of business, the appointment of committees. The committee upon the reports of officers will now be announced by the adjutant general.

Adjut. Gen. WILLIAM C. PECKHAM. Committee on reports of officers: John R. King, Maryland; Daniel M. Hall, Ohio; Le Vant Dodge, Kentucky; C. H. Haskins, California; Alfred Lyth, New York.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Appointment of the committee on resolutions. As far as they have been received by the adjutant general, the nominations for appointment from the various departments will now be read.

(Asst. Adjt. Gen. McConekey then read the following list of recommendations from the several departments for the committee on resolutions:)

*Committee on resolutions.*

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	Henry M. Austin.....	Bedford, Va.
Arizona.....	(Not represented).....	
Arkansas.....	Horace Wyman.....	Bentonville.
California and Nevada.....	C. H. Haskins.....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	M. S. Crawford.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	David W. Sharpe.....	New Haven.
Delaware.....	Elizur Hodge.....	Bellfont.
Florida.....	I. A. Spencer.....	St. Petersburg.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	John L. Clem.....	Washington, D. C.
Idaho.....	Silas Wilson.....	Nampa.
Illinois.....	W. F. Calhoun.....	Decatur.
Indiana.....	Samuel M. Hench.....	Fort Wayne.
Iowa.....	David J. Palmer.....	Washington.
Kansas.....	George Plumb.....	Emporia.
Kentucky.....	Le Vant Dodge.....	Berea.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	Elihu A. Robinson.....	Morgan City.
Maine.....	Edwin Riley.....	Livermore Falls.
Maryland.....	Jacob R. Tucker.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Obed H. Ellis.....	Whitman.
Michigan.....	Oscar A. Janes.....	Detroit.
Minnesota.....	F. M. Shook.....	Aitkin.
Missouri.....	Chas. G. Burton.....	Portland, Oreg.
Montana.....	James R. Goss.....	Billings.
Nebraska.....	Joseph H. Presson.....	Omaha.
New Hampshire.....	J. C. Lewis.....	Milford.
New Jersey.....	Frank O. Cole.....	Jersey City.
New Mexico.....	J. R. McFie.....	Gallup.
New York.....	James Tanner.....	Washington, D. C.
North Dakota.....	D. G. Duell.....	Devils Lake.
Ohio.....	Daniel M. Hall.....	Columbus.
Oklahoma.....	Lemuel C. Coffin.....	Elgin.
Oregon.....	T. Brouillette.....	Portland.
Pennsylvania.....	L. F. Arensberg.....	East Millsboro.
Potomac.....	Robert Armour.....	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	George E. Kent.....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	John L. Jolley.....	Vermillion.
Tennessee.....	John C. Mordough.....	Nashville.
Texas.....	Willis Weaver.....	Chicago, Ill.
Utah.....	Peter J. Goble.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	C. H. Granger.....	Rutland.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	H. W. House.....	Portsmouth.
Washington and Alaska.....	James H. Chase.....	Cashmere.
West Virginia.....	L. B. Moore.....	Parkersburg.
Wisconsin.....	J. C. Martin.....	Mineral Point.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are there any departments who have not submitted names?

The ADJUTANT GENERAL. They are all in.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. A most remarkable statement. Comrades, it is for you to approve these nominations. All in favor of these comrades whose names have now been read as members of the committee on resolutions will say "aye." Opposed, "no." The vote is unanimous in the affirmative.



The committee on rules and regulations has already been appointed. There is one vacancy caused by the absence—lamented—of our Comrade Adams. To fill that vacancy I will appoint Comrade Saltzgaber, of the Department of Ohio, as a member of the committee on rules and regulations.

It is my desire, also, that a committee to present a suitable memorial to this encampment upon the career and character of our recently deceased Comrade Fallows, of the Department of Illinois, should be made. I will appoint as that committee upon a memorial to Bishop Samuel Fallows, late chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, John B. Inman, William J. Libberton, and Henry D. Fulton, all of the Department of Illinois.<sup>1</sup>

Next is the reception of resolutions and communications from the various departments. The adjutant general will call each department, and as that department is called will its proper representative present himself at the adjutant general's table and give him whatever it has for presentation.

(The assistant adjutant general began calling the roll of departments.)

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. In order to obviate this, I move that all resolutions be handed to the member of the committee from the respective departments, and that the resolutions be received without reading and without debate.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. As the commander in chief understands, that will make unnecessary the further calling of this roll. All resolutions or communications for the committee on resolutions will be given to the representative of that department, who will present them when the committee is called together.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. In view of the difficulty in hearing always experienced in this body, I move you, sir, that Comrade Frank Cole, of New Jersey, be detailed as reading clerk of this encampment. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. All in favor of Comrade Cole's voice being brought up here on the platform will say "aye." It is not necessary to put the opposite. Comrade Cole will respond to the detail and report on the platform.

(The commander in chief announced the appointment of Comrade Arensberg, of the Department of Pennsylvania, as temporary chairman of the committee on resolutions, to call that committee together, and to proceed until a permanent chairman should be chosen by the committee.)

Next in order are the reports of committees. Are there any committees ready to report? Comrade McBride will report for the committee on incorporation of the Grand Army of the Republic.

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<sup>1</sup> The commander in chief afterwards, during the noon recess, added to this committee the names of Comrades Hosea W. Rood and E. B. Heimstreet, of the Department of Wisconsin.



Senior Vice Commander in Chief ROBERT W. McBRIDE (reading):

DES MOINES, IOWA, September 25, 1922.

*To the Commander in Chief and Members of the Fifty-sixth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic:*

Your committee on incorporation respectfully submits the following report of progress:

The bill for the incorporation of the Grand Army of the Republic as it was approved by the Fifty-fourth National Encampment was introduced in the House of Representatives April 13, 1921, by Hon. Merrill Moores, of Indiana. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee, amended by that committee by the addition of three additional sections and passed by the House as thus amended October 31, 1921.<sup>1</sup> It went to the Senate October 20, 1921,<sup>1</sup> where it was read twice and referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee, of which committee Comrade Hon. Knute Nelson is chairman. It is still in the hands of that committee.

Your committee considers the three sections added by the House Judiciary Committee decidedly objectionable and would advise against acceptance of incorporation under the bill as thus changed. These sections read as follows:

"SEC. 7. That the said corporation shall on or before the 1st day of January in each year make and transmit to the Congress a report of its proceedings for the preceding calendar year, including a full and complete report of its receipts and expenditures: *Provided, however,* That said report shall not be printed as a public document.

"SEC. 8. That as a condition precedent to the exercise of any power or privilege herein granted or conferred the Grand Army of the Republic shall file in the office of the secretary of state of each State the name and post-office address of an authorized agent in such State upon whom legal process or demands against the Grand Army of the Republic may be served.

"SEC. 9. That the right to repeal, alter, or amend this act at any time is hereby expressly reserved."

Your committee hopes to secure the passage of the bill by the Senate after it has stricken out the objectionable sections.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT W. McBRIDE.

JOHN M. WILLIAMS.

I will say that the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee is Mr. Volstead, of Minnesota, famous in another connection. Your committee can not understand why such a requirement is necessary, in view of the fact that the Journal of the Encampment is placed in the hands of the Public Printer as soon as it can be put in shape after the encampment, and that contains all of the information that is called for by this amendment. The Grand Army of the Republic is not a business corporation and is not engaged in any business, and all the information that Congress asked for is available, because our Journal is sent out under their frank.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Judge, allow me to ask you a question. In view of the fact that we won't live more than 10 or 15 years what is the use of incorporation at this time? We have gone along for 50 years. I ask you why?

Senior Vice Commander in Chief McBRIDE. I will answer Comrade Cole in this way. That is a question that neither he nor I have anything to do with at this time. It was settled by the fifty-fourth national encampment, and the bill was adopted and approved at that time, and in obedience to the orders of the encampment it is in the hands of Congress now.

Under section 8 as proposed, we must select our agent. The adjutant general must prepare and file with the secretary of state of

<sup>1</sup> The discrepancy in dates is accounted for by the fact that the original bill bears this title: "H. R. 2908.—In the Senate of the United States, October 20 (calendar day, November 1), 1921.—Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary."



each State a certificate of that character and pay the fee. I don't know how much that is in other States, but in Indiana it is \$5. I understand that in some States it is \$25. In addition to that, this will place it in the power of any evil-disposed person or persons in any remote section of the United States, who do not like the United States, to file a suit without a shadow of merit in it, have summons served on our agent in that State, and that brings us into court, and it will be necessary, then, for us to employ a lawyer to appear for us. I will simply repeat to you the language of our old commander in chief, Ketcham, when he learned of that amendment. He said he did not propose to have the Grand Army of the Republic placed at the mercy of the rebels we licked and who had not yet been reconstructed. [Applause.]

Section 9 reserves the right to repeal, alter, or amend. Your committee thinks that nature will, in a few years, dispense with the necessity of any change or amendment to this law, and that that is also unnecessary.

This report is signed by but two members of the committee, Judge Williams, of Missouri, and myself. Judge Pugh, of Ohio, is not in attendance.

The committee is not in position to recommend anything. We simply place the facts before the encampment and report the situation at this time. The bill is now in the hands of the Senate. The chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate is a comrade himself and is in favor of the elimination of these objectionable sections. If it had not been for the interference of the bonus bill and the tariff bill it would probably have been amended and passed by the Senate.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move you, Commander in Chief, that the report be received and the committee continued.

(Motion seconded.)

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I would like to ask our senior vice—I heard the name of Merrill Moores mentioned in connection with these objections.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief McBRIDE. No, sir; he introduced the bill exactly word for word as we approved it in the encampment. Any additions to it were made in the Judiciary Committee in the House, of which Mr. Volstead is chairman, and over Mr. Merrill Moores's very earnest protest.

Past Commander in Chief TANNER. I want to say this regarding this matter, that I guarantee one thing for Merrill Moores. He is my intimate friend. He is in favor of the Grand Army of the Republic up one side and down the other, and all around. He will certainly be amenable to any expression of the Grand Army regarding what it approves or disapproves. You can count on that.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the report of the committee on incorporation be received, and that the committee be continued. Any further remarks?

Comrade GIDEON S. IVES, of Minnesota. With reference to those amendments that are in there, if it is necessary to have a bill of that character I think that those amendments that were proposed by the Judiciary Committee of the House were all right.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is not before us at the present moment. The question is simply—not on the merits of the bill at all—the question is on receiving this report and continuing the committee. All in favor of that will say “aye.” Opposed, “no.” The motion prevails.

Comrade COLE. I am directed by the commander in chief to say that at the informal meeting on Monday night all the greetings from the different organizations were received. There will, therefore, be no committees appointed from this body to visit the auxiliary and allied organizations; neither will the organizations come here to visit us. [Cries of “Good.”]

Comrade L. F. ARENSBERG, of Pennsylvania. If I am in order, I would like to announce to the members of the committee on resolutions that we will meet immediately after the close of this meeting behind this curtain at the back of the stage to arrange a permanent place of meeting.

Comrade COLE. Comrades, the chairman of the committee on resolutions directs that the committee on resolutions will meet immediately after the adjournment this morning behind the green curtain.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. I would like the committee on officers' reports to meet at the same place immediately after the meeting.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. I desire to announce that the committee on the address of the commander in chief will meet at the Fort Des Moines Hotel, headquarters of the commander in chief, 30 minutes after the adjournment of the session of the encampment this afternoon. All interested in the William C. Chandler appeal will present themselves at that time and place to be heard.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are there any other committees ready to report, or has one committee all the other reports? If not, we will close that order of business.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. The commander is not aware of any unfinished business.

Comrade ALBERT J. BALL, of Indiana. Could we have announced before the adjournment of this session the council of administration for the coming year?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The council of administration are officials, and their election is a part of the election of officers, the last thing in the work of the encampment.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. Would it be proper now to select the place of our next meeting, and that the rules be suspended?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is not necessary to suspend the rules. If there is no unfinished business coming before us, we will pass on to the next order of business—new business—and the first matter under consideration, if you are ready for it, will be, Where shall we hold our encampment next year? The chair is ready to hear from anyone who has anything to say, any proposition on that subject.

Comrade J. E. GANDY, of Washington and Alaska. It is now 12 o'clock, and I move that we take a recess now until half past 1.

(Motion seconded.) [Cries of “No.”]



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, it is moved and seconded that we take a recess now until half past 1. All in favor of that will say "aye." All opposed, "no." The noes seem to have it. The noes have it. We will proceed with our work.

Comrades, quiet. You will listen to communications pertaining to the subject of "Where will we meet next year?"

(Reading Clerk Comrade Frank O. Cole then read the following communications:)

PASADENA, CALIF., September 26, 1922.

GRAND ARMY OF REPUBLIC CONVENTION.

*Convention Hall, Des Moines, Iowa:*

Pasadena invites the Grand Army of the Republic to hold its convention in this city next year. With the wonderful opportunities of entertainment and with the assistance of the four nationally known hotels which I represent, namely, the Maryland, Huntington, Green, and Vista del Arroyo Hotels, we believe that we are in position to take care of a convention of this kind to good advantage. We are close to the ocean, the mountains, and possessor of thousands of miles of automobile roads intermingling through thousands of acres of orange groves and tropical gardens. We trust we may be favored with the approval of the convention at this time.

CHARLES E. W. MOORE,  
*Manager Hotel Maryland.*

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA HOTEL ASSOCIATION,  
*San Francisco, September 19, 1922.*

Mr. WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.*

DEAR SIR: At a meeting of the San Francisco section of the Northern California Hotel Association held to-day the following resolution was passed, and the undersigned were directed to transmit a copy of the same to you. The resolution follows:

"Whereas it is proposed to hold the annual convention of the Grand Army of the Republic for 1923 in San Francisco; and

"Whereas the San Francisco members of the Grand Army of the Republic have issued an invitation to the members of their organization in other jurisdictions to make San Francisco their meeting place for 1923:

"The San Francisco section of the Northern California Hotel Association hereby pledges for such occasion 12,500 rooms, to be furnished as contracted for when requested, 3,500 thereof to be with bath and the balance, 9,000 rooms, to be without bath, for the purpose of providing accommodations for the visiting members of the Grand Army of the Republic and their friends, and hereby pledges itself to adhere to a schedule of rates to be approved by the Grand Army of the Republic committee, and hereby pledges that the restaurants, cafés, and dining rooms operated by hotels supplying rooms will not advance their rates."

Very respectfully,

THOS. P. KEATING, *Chairman,*  
JOHN F. SHEA, *Secretary,*  
*San Francisco Section of the Northern California Hotel Association.*

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., September 20, 1922.

Mr. W. C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, Grand Army of the Republic,*  
*Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.*

DEAR SIR: The officers and members of the New England Association of California want to join with other associations of similar character in extending an invitation to the officers and members of the Grand Army of the Republic to name San Francisco, Calif., as their convention city for 1923.

San Francisco is one of the three great cities of this country and a city that everyone should visit. San Francisco has the accommodations, the hospitality, and we extend this invitation.

With the warmest greetings to the officers and members on this great occasion, I am,

Most respectfully,

E. W. WHEELER,  
*President New England Association of California.*

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., *September 26, 1922.*

The NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Care of R. A. Sarle, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.*

The San Francisco Convention and Tourist League, representing citizens of San Francisco, is highly desirous that you hold your 1923 encampment here. With 2,000 modern hotels and magnificent convention auditorium, your convention here is assured of being most successful.

R. L. WEBB, *Secretary.*

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., *September 26, 1922.*

The NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
*Care of R. A. Sarle, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.*

As mayor of San Francisco I take great pleasure in inviting you to hold your 1923 convention in San Francisco, and hereby present to you the compliments of the citizens of this city. You may be assured, should you favor San Francisco, we shall make your convention most successful and your stay here one of your happiest memories.

JAMES ROLPH, *Mayor.*

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., *September 27, 1922.*

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT,  
*Care R. A. Sarle, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.*

The Rotary Club of San Francisco cordially invites you to hold your convention next year in San Francisco.

PAUL RIEGER, *President.*

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., *September 27, 1922.*

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT,  
*Care R. A. Sarle, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa.*

San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, on behalf of the citizens of this city, extends cordial invitation to hold 1923 convention in our city by the Golden Gate. Success of Democratic National Convention is ample proof that our housing, hotel, entertainment and climatic inducements are unsurpassed. Let us prove that we are in truth the "city of hospitality."

SAN FRANCISCO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move that the departments be called for nominations for the next place of meeting.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, that the departments be called and any department having anything to offer upon the question of where we shall meet next year have an opportunity to do so. Will you act in that manner? All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." The ayes prevail; call the roll.

(The roll of departments was then called, there being no response until the Department of California and Nevada was reached.)



Comrade C. H. HASKINS, of California and Nevada. Our delegation, 27 against 3, voted not to ask the encampment for next year in California.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Anything further from California?

Comrade Cos ALTENBERG, of Arkansas. I would like to know what we are to vote on now. Arkansas is here ready to respond.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. At the present moment you are not asked to vote on anything. We are calling the roll of departments, Comrade. If you are desirous to have us come down to Little Rock, now is your time.

(The calling of the roll was continued and concluded without further response until the Department of Wisconsin was reached.)

Comrade HENRY HASE, of Wisconsin. Commander in Chief and Comrades, I have been delegated by the Wisconsin delegation to bring before you in behalf of the Governor of Wisconsin, the mayor of the city of Milwaukee, the city council, the city and county commissioners, and the association of commerce—this association has 3,000 members—and they want you to come to Milwaukee for next year. [Cries of "Good."]

It has been 33 years since we have had you in Milwaukee. Any of you comrades that were there at that time—you were young men—know what we did for you while we had you there. We were at that time a city of 130,000. To-day we have 560,000. Now, what those 130,000 accomplished at that time, surely this 560,000 will double.

We have an auditorium. I don't think there is another one in this country like it. We have five halls under one roof. It is one block square. The main hall seats 8,000 men. Then we have two halls that seat 1,000 each; two of them, 500; and the other one, 400. Now, what we intend to do is this: We want the Woman's Relief Corps in one of those halls, and we want the Sons of Veterans in another one. We want the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Cries of "No."] The Daughters of Veterans, then. I made a mistake. We want them all in one hall. We have those five halls under one roof.

We have 20 hotels, all within three blocks of this auditorium. This auditorium is right in the heart of our city, only four blocks from the Union Depot and three blocks from the largest hotel that we have got, a fireproof building. This auditorium was built 11 years ago by the city of Milwaukee, costing them \$1,000,000.

What we want you to do is to come to Milwaukee.

Past Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. I move, without further discussion, that we go to Milwaukee for our 1923 encampment.

(Motion seconded.)

Comrade H. B. JEFFRIES, of Florida. There has just been handed to me a few tickets from Milwaukee, and I want to protest against going to any place that invites the Grand Army of the Republic to come and help drink moonshine and highballs and beers and all that sort of thing. I am opposed to going to any place that is asking—[Cries of "Question."]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you are ready for a vote I can see. It is moved by Comrade Hall, of Ohio, and seconded from many sources, that this body, the Grand Army of the Republic,



hold its next encampment in Milwaukee, Wis. All in favor of that will say "aye." All opposed, "no." (Several noes.) The ayes have it.

Past Commander in Chief DANIEL M. HALL. I move that we now recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that—but before I put the question I wish to make two announcements.

The official photographer of the chamber of commerce is prepared to take the photograph of this body immediately after our adjournment, on the east side of the coliseum. I would esteem it a special favor, as a lasting memorial of this encampment, if I could have the face of every one of the comrades who are here in that picture. Will you, as rapidly as possible, assemble on the outside of this building, and on the east side, after we recess?

Now, second: This afternoon when we come together the first order of business will be the reception of special guests. We shall receive first the delegates that have been sent to us from the Spanish War Veterans. I regret to say that it was necessary for the commander in chief of the American Legion to leave us last night immediately after he made that address of greeting in this room. We will not have him here. We expect also that Senator Bursum will be here to extend his greetings and receive your plaudits at the same time.

As soon as we have finished that and our visitors have gone, we shall enter upon the regular order of business, which will be the reading of letters of sympathy and congratulations which we have received from many sources, and which should be received here, and we will likewise entertain any motions of sympathy and sorrow for those of our comrades who are now upon beds of suffering or have recently passed away. And, finally, we should receive the reports of the committees upon our revered dead, Ketcham and Fallows. That will be the first order of business this afternoon.

Comrade COLE. Two comrades have either lost or have been robbed of all their money. I do not know the names of those comrades, but they are requested to go to the Tribune newspaper office, there to receive a sufficient sum of money to enable them to return to their homes. If any of you know who those comrades are, please communicate with them and send them to the Tribune newspaper office.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There is now only one question before us, and that is that we now take a recess until 2 o'clock p. m. All in favor will say "aye." Opposed, "no." The motion prevails.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1922—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The encampment was called to order at 2.10 o'clock p. m. by Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, recess having been enjoyed, we will now resume the work of the encampment. At this hour there is set the privilege of receiving certain honored guests. We all know the feeling which filled our hearts when we heard that Sumter had been fired on. We know how nearly akin to that feeling were the



thoughts that rose in our hearts when we learned that the *Maine* had been sunken in the harbor of Habana, and there is not one of you who did not wish that he might at once do as he had done so many years ago and fly to the call of honor of our flag. We could not go. Our sons went. Two of those sons who represent the men of '98, the veterans of the Spanish War, bring to us now a message of congratulation and good will from that body. It is my privilege now to introduce to you Col. John J. Garrity, past adjutant general of the United Spanish War Veterans, and William M. Loudon, department commander of Indiana, United Spanish War Veterans, and commandant to be of the State Soldiers' Home at Lafayette. Comrades, rise and receive our boys. (Encampment stands.) Comrade Garrity.

JOHN J. GARRITY, of Chicago, Ill. Commander in Chief and comrades, as your commander in chief has announced, this committee comes with greetings from the United Spanish War Veterans. In our convention last month in Los Angeles, Calif., this committee was appointed. It is indeed a great honor and a great pleasure for me to be here with this grand patriotic body. However, I regret that it is not going to be my privilege to deliver this address of greeting. The committee have chosen my comrade, Loudon, for that purpose. Comrade Loudon will extend these greetings.

WILLIAM M. LOUDON, Lafayette, Ind. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I deem it a real privilege and a very great honor to bring to you, in encampment assembled, the greetings and good wishes of the United Spanish War Veterans. It was decided by a unanimous vote at our national encampment at Los Angeles that three members of our national organization should make a journey to this beautiful city at this time and here extend to you our greetings and a most cordial invitation to you to send delegates to our national encampment to be held at Chattanooga next fall.

We not only bring to you our greetings, but we are here to express to you our deep appreciation of your sacrifices and to acknowledge the unbounded gratitude we owe you for preserving the Union and to tell you that we revere and honor you for fighting for those great principles which form the very foundation stones of the American Government [applause], those principles of the Constitution which recognize but one Nation and but one flag.

Some one has said that the "greatest single event since the birth of Christ was the act of flinging to the breeze for the first time the Stars and Stripes."

It meant the transformation of the world. It lifted up an ensign to all lands. It at once became the herald of hope to all races.

The white stands for the religion which our forefathers brought with them from across the seas. To-day it is woven into the whole of our national life, the chief asset of the Nation. It also stands for peace—the lasting peace for which women pray; for the time "when each man finds his own in all men's good and all men work in noble brotherhood."

The red stands for the wars, the just and holy wars which American men have fought—the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the great Civil War, the Spanish-American War, and last, we hope it may be the very last—the World War.



The blue field in our flag is a reminder of the sacrifices which made it possible to achieve a republic, and a reminder that all men must be true blue Americans to-day, at a time when organized hosts of anarchists are kindling red fires in our own fair land.

The stars stand for 48 united republics, all under one flag—the Nation which you Civil War veterans preserved and handed down to us.

And to-day you come from near and far,  
 And form the line again;  
 Your badge is now the battle scar,  
 Your arms the crutch and cane.  
 You grasp the hands of comrades tried,  
 And old campaigns review;  
 And count the fields where side by side,  
 You fought—you Boys in Blue.  
 And soon these glad reunions here  
 Will be forever past;  
 The broken ranks that close the rear  
 Will cross the ford at last.  
 But on the world's illustrious page  
 Of heroes tried and true,  
 Will live enshrined from age to age  
 The glorious Boys in Blue.

[Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Van Sant, may I call upon you to respond to our comrades of the Spanish War?

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. Comrades, we have never had to depend upon hired help to defend the flag. There has always been a supporting column for the Stars and Stripes, and there always will be. The sons during the Spanish-American War, in a hundred days, carried that flag across the seas and established for America a new place in the world's history. In other words, they made us a great world power, and we realize now because of that war—not of long duration—that we were ready for any emergency that might occur; and I am sure that this great Grand Army of the Republic honors the Spanish War veterans, our sons, for their splendid work during 1898. This great body asks you to carry back its greetings to your organization.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Four times a year until now, twelve times a year hereafter, every veteran of the Civil War has the opportunity of receiving an expression of the grateful remembrance of his fellow countrymen. No act fills my heart with a greater sense of pride than when I affix my signature to a pension check. Compensation? No. A gift, an expression the same as any child would give to his parent, is what the citizens of this country are presenting to you, and every such pension check is but another leaf in the chaplet of glory which surrounds the grand old men, the veterans of the Civil War, and I know that it is the wish of the people of this country that everything possible shall be done that comfort and peace shall reign during the few months that remain to each one of us.

The man who has been in the forefront as the spokesman of his fellow citizens in this matter is the man whom it is my honor now to introduce to you, Senator Bursum, of New Mexico. [Applause, the members of the encampment rising to their feet and cheering.]



Hon. H. O. BURSUM, of New Mexico. Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, this is one of the most delightful occasions of my life, and I esteem it as a privilege of distinction which I shall long remember and cherish, of having this privilege of standing before those who made the Union possible, those through whose services and sacrifice the Government which had been established by Washington, designed to be a government of law and of order, a government which should guarantee to all of the peoples of this land freedom, protection of life and of property—those of you who served that Government for the benefit of mankind and for the honor and integrity of our great Government.

I do not intend to burden you with any lengthy speech at this time. You are men of action and will appreciate action more than words. When Sheridan was 20 miles away [applause] and his presence was needed to save the Union forces, it was action and not words required at that time, and I take it at this time what would be more greatly appreciated by the members of the Grand Army of the Republic would be action.

I am glad to say to you that your legislative committee, headed by General Clem and Colonel McElroy, have done splendid work in behalf of the so-called Bursum bill. That bill passed the Senate without a dissenting voice. [Applause.] It would have passed the House at this session of Congress had it been possible to secure a quorum of the Committee on Pensions in the House of Representatives during the last days of the Congress which adjourned a few days ago. But I am confident and I am sure that bill will become a law within the next 120 days and possibly within 90 days [applause], as soon as Congress meets again. If you will keep your legislative agents active and keep in touch with your Congressmen and see that they do not go to sleep on the job, you will have that bill the first few weeks of the December session. There is no opposition to the bill.

The American people have recognized the obligation which is due to its defenders. The American people recognize that the potency of a nation depends upon the patriotism of its people. [Applause.]

The troubles and the issues to-day, the obligations upon the citizenship of this time, are the same as they were when you as boys fought for the preservation of the Union. You fought for a government of law and of order, and you fought for the integrity of this country. Those same ideals are ever present with us, and it is just as much the duty of the citizenship of to-day to see that law and order is maintained as it was in 1861. [Applause.]

It is marvelous, when one thinks for a moment—the actual realization of standing here face to face, after three score years and more have passed, with those who so successfully preserved the Union and came out victorious after four years of the most severe struggle that ever existed during any war at any time and in any country. [Applause.]

You are indeed a fortunate people. You are indeed not only the favored sons of the Nation, but you may count yourselves as the favored sons of Almighty Providence. [Applause.] Seldom does it occur that any person, however gifted, may have the pleasure not only of serving a patriotic cause and bring about a sacred purpose, but



witnessing the results of that service. The great Abraham Lincoln [applause], who dedicated his life that this country might live, was not destined to witness the grandeur of the results which were brought about through his efforts. His influence and the impressions which he made upon the minds, not only of this country but upon the whole world, will live forever, but it was not for him to witness the results so gloriously brought about through his efforts and dedicated to the cause of humanity.

It was not destined for the immortal Grant [applause] to see the wonderful results for which he was the chief factor in the field of bringing about, but yet those prophetic words which he uttered at Appomattox, and his generosity when he received the surrender of the Confederate forces through General Lee—those prophetic words of Grant, "Let us have peace," have lived and live to-day in the hearts of all patriotic Americans, and they will live for all time. But it was not destined that General Grant should personally have the privilege of observing the great fruits of the victory which was achieved and for which he was in a large measure responsible as commander in chief of our victorious armies.

Yet you members of the Grand Army have enjoyed this privilege. I say, therefore, that you are not only the favored sons of the nation but that you are the favored sons of Providence. You lived to fight under the banner of Grant. You lived to enlist in the war as young boys full of pep in response to the first call of Abraham Lincoln, when you marched forth and shouted "We are coming, Father Abraham, a hundred thousand strong." [Applause.] You lived to come back in review down Pennsylvania Avenue, proud of your victory, in review before General Grant and the ministers of foreign powers. You lived to see your Nation grow from a small nation of a few hundred million dollars of wealth until to-day you have three hundred billions of wealth. You lived to see the day when the North and the South were united. You lived to see the recognition by the foe which you vanquished in '61 that the cause for which you fought was just and right. You lived to see a united Nation. You lived to see the fathers who wore the gray and those who wore the blue pat their boys on their heads and shoulders, encourage them and send them together during the Spanish War in 1898 to win a glorious victory for this country in behalf of humanity.

If there is one thing of which all Americans ought to feel proud it is this fact, that the United States has never yet, and I hope never will, draw her sword in behalf of a selfish purpose or for any selfish gain, or in behalf of conquest, but it has ever been drawn in behalf of liberty and for the benefit of mankind. [Applause.]

You lived to see the day when that cooperation and that brotherly love which we would like to see extended, not only all over these United States but all over the world, is genuine and real between the South and the North, the Blue and the Gray, when their sons again went forward in behalf of a sacred cause, in behalf of democracy, in behalf of saving the world from autocracy, when we sent to yonder shores more than two millions of our boys and enlisted more than two millions more in reserve in this country ready to go and join their brothers abroad. We saw those boys march again to vic-



tory and uphold the American standard all over the world. [Applause.]

And it may well be said that all of these splendid results came primarily, in the beginning, through the establishment of a government here through the Father of Our Country, George Washington, but, secondly, through the services, the valor, the bravery, the patriotism of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1861. [Applause.]

Your service as citizens has always been one of credit. You have always stood for maintenance of law and of order, and for protection of life and property and making every citizen safe and secure in pursuing such vocation as he might deem proper, provided that he acted under and in accordance with the laws of the land. And I hope that you will continue to exercise that influence.

A government which does not preserve the peace, a government which fails to protect life, fails to protect property, is no government at all. There are only two kinds of government—three kinds, I might say. One is government of law; another is a military government, an autocracy; the other is a government by the mob. We want neither a government by the mob nor do we want a government by the military. A government of law has been the salvation of this Union of ours and it has been the salvation of mankind, and we must see to it that that sort of a government is continued forever. God bless you. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. In your name, my comrades, permit me to return to the honored Senator every possible expression of appreciation for what he has done for us in the Halls of Congress and for the honor he has done us by his presence and his words to-day.

May I take this moment to say, in connection with the words of the honorable Senator, this fact? A few days ago I sat in his Chamber in the Hall of Congress and had the personal pledge of the leader of the party in the majority in the House of Representatives that one of the first things that should be attended to upon the reconvening of the House should be the pension bill for the old comrades. [Applause.]

And may I say further here, in response to many inquiries and expressions or feelings of solicitude, that this bill, the House bill which I hold in my hand, says "that the pension or increase of pension herein provided for shall commence, at the rates herein provided, on the first day of the next month after the approval of this act." You don't have to apply for it. It works itself; it is automatic.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Commander in Chief, I move you, sir, that the thanks of this encampment be tendered to Senator Bursum for the splendid manner in which he has assisted us in legislation in Congress, and I move the adoption of this resolution by a rising vote.

(The motion was duly seconded, and the members of the encampment rose to their feet.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Senator Bursum, the compliments of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE (reading clerk). The committee on officers' reports are requested to meet at once in the rear of the curtain.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The next order of business will be the reception of communications of congratulation from various sources and various bodies, which will take but a few moments.

(Comrade Frank O. Cole then read the following communications:)

The National Alliance Daughters of Veterans cordially invite all the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic and their wives to a party Thursday evening, September 28, 1922, at 7.30 p. m., in the ball room of the Chamberlain Hotel, ninth floor.

OSKALOOSA, Iowa, *September 27, 1922.*

L. S. PILCHER, *Commander in Chief G. A. R.,*  
*Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa.*

Mahaska County Chamber of Commerce, Oskaloosa, Iowa, on behalf of Phil Kearney Post and National Organization Grand Army of the Republic extends its heartfelt appreciation of the services of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. All honor to the veterans dead and living of the conflict of '61 and '65.

L. R. ROSEBROOKE,  
J. G. ROBERTS,  
DE WAYNE FOEHLINGER,  
*Committee.*

Here is something that is not complete. It says:

\* \* \* as well as the North.

W. C. BRONOUGH, *Commander of the State U. C. V.*  
W. C. HARRISON, *Commander Western Brigade.*  
JOHN V. STONE, *Ex-State Commander.*  
ARCHIBALD A. PEARSON, *Commanding Cavalry.*  
STEPHEN H. RAGAN, *Surgeon General of Missouri.*

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I don't wonder that Comrade Cole could not make out this telegram, for the reason that he only had the last end of it. The first part of it has been mislaid. I know, however, what it is, and I am anxious at this moment that every Boy in Blue should hear it. It is from the United Confederate Veterans of Missouri, and it is a statement that they, every man in the South as well as in the North, join in admiration and esteem for Abraham Lincoln. [Applause.] And it is signed by the commander of the State United Confederate Veterans, W. C. Bronough; by the commander of the Western Brigade, United Confederate Veterans, W. C. Harrison; by the past State commander, John V. Stone; by the commander of their cavalry, Archibald A. Pearson; and by the surgeon general of the United Confederate Veterans of Missouri, Stephen H. Ragan. I think we should be delighted to receive such an expression from the Boys in Gray.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 26, 1922.*

National Commander PILCHER,  
*Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa:*

Love and greetings from Catharine Merrill Tent, Indianapolis, Ind.

DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., *September 27, 1922.*

Commander in Chief PILCHER,  
*Grand Army of the Republic, Des Moines, Iowa:*

Commander in Chief Entenza extends heartfelt greetings from the United Spanish War Veterans. When the time comes may we be worthy successors to your splendid patriotic society.

GEORGE A. MARSHALL, *Adjutant General.*



TULSA, OKLA., *September 27, 1922.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

*Des Moines, Iowa:*

Veterans of the Ninetieth Division of the World War, mostly sons of the South, at fourth annual reunion send most sincere greetings to your valiant boys of '61.

A. J. REINHART, *Division Adjutant.*

PORTLAND, OREG., *September 26, 1922.*

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

*In session, Convention Hall, Des Moines, Iowa:*

Veterans Foreign Wars, Department of Oregon, send greetings by direction of  
BOLTON HAMBLE, *Department Commander.*  
W. PAUL KOONTZ, *Chief of Staff.*

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *September 25, 1922.*

Dr. LEWIS PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief of the G. A. R., Des Moines, Iowa:*

Greetings from Indianapolis to the Grand Army and heartiest best wishes to each and every member. We recall with pleasure the two successive encampments here, and wish we could be with you in Des Moines.

JOHN B. REYNOLDS,  
*General Secretary, Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce.*

ROCK ISLAND, ILL., *September 25, 1922.*

LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief G. A. R.,*

*Fort Des Moines Hotel, Des Moines, Iowa:*

The American Legion Auxiliary in convention at Rock Island extend greeting.

Mrs. W. E. HARTMAN, *President.*

Mrs. PAUL TAFT, *Recording Secretary.*

TERRE HAUTE, IND., *September 26, 1922.*

LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander Grand Army, Des Moines, Iowa:*

The American Legion, Department of Indiana, in convention assembled, extends to you heartiest greetings and best wishes. We fully appreciate the splendid part your splendid organization has played in the history of our country, and it has ever been and is now this department's purpose to emulate you in the example you have set.

CLAUDE E. GREGG, *Department Commander.*

BERKELEY, CALIF., *September 27, 1922.*

Commander LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*G. A. R. Encampment, Des Moines, Iowa:*

Berkeley Post of the American Legion sends its cordial greetings and best wishes to all comrades in the Grand Army of the Republic.

JAMES K. FISK, *Commander.*

ARTHUR AHLGREN, *Adjutant.*

AMES, IOWA, *September 23, 1922.*

Commander in Chief PILCHER,

*Grand Army of the Republic, Des Moines, Iowa*

Department of Iowa, Veterans of Foreign Wars, extends greetings to yourself and comrades.

JOHN CENIC,  
*Department Commander.*

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, *September 28, 1922.*

NATIONAL COMMANDER GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

*Care National Convention Hall, Des Moines, Iowa:*

The Iowa Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, send greetings.

AMY E. GILBERT,

*State Regent.*

BELL A. DOUGLASS,

*State Corresponding Secretary.*

LANCASTER PA., *September 20, 1922.*

Comrade LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief Grand Army of the Republic,*

*Des Moines, Iowa.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: More than 4,000 United Spanish War Veterans of the Department of Pennsylvania extend to you and your comrades assembled in the Fifty-sixth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic their fraternal greetings, with the wish that your convention may be harmonious, pleasant, and profitable. We wish to assure you that our organization stands back of you as a second line of defense in all of your patriotic endeavor.

Fraternally yours,

GEO. E. DOWNEY,

*Department Commander of Pennsylvania, United Spanish War Veterans.*

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES,

*32 Union Square, New York, N. Y., September 19, 1922.*

LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief Grand Army of the Republic,*

*Des Moines, Iowa.*

MY DEAR COMRADE PILCHER: The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States assembled in their twenty-third annual national encampment, at Seattle, Wash., directed me to extend heartiest greetings to all members of the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States, assuring you of our filial devotion and our deepest respect for the conspicuous services you have rendered as the repository of the patriotism of the country.

We desire to assure you that your splendid record of service and manhood will be ever enshrined in our memory and that it shall be ever our aim to prove ourselves worthy sons of worthy sires. The purple blood of our comrades has now mingled with that of your comrades, and together they produce the red in the emblem of our beloved country. This unites us by the most uncommon tie of fraternity and comradeship.

As you have sacrificed on our behalf and given us our priceless heritage, so it shall be our chief aim to preserve that capital unimpaired and hand it on as an enriched dowry to the generations to come. Your example challenges us; may our endeavors find approval of you.

And to our greetings we add our most cordial good will and affection.

Yours in comradeship,

REUEL W. ELTON,

*Adjutant General.*

DES MOINES, IOWA, *September 28, 1922.*

Gen. LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.*

DEAR SIR: We, the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, hereby extend to you, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, our sincerest appreciation for the great service that you rendered our country in its time of need.

When our Nation was in danger of being rent asunder by division and disunion you rallied nobly to the standard and preserved our flag unsullied—one Nation, one flag, and one country.

For this, the noblest sacrifice of your lives, and for your coming to our city at this time, we pledge to you our undying gratitude.

Yours very sincerely,

J. J. McMAHON,

*Commander of Disabled American Veterans of the World War,*

*Des Moines Chapter, No. 1.*



THE WHITE HOUSE,  
Washington, August 25, 1922.

MY DEAR MR. PILCHER: Your invitation to the Fifty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, which is just received, reminds me that, to my regret, I shall once more be denied the privilege of attending the national encampment. I had very greatly hoped to be among those present a year ago, and when that was denied to me I postponed it for a year, in the hope that nothing would again interfere. But I now find myself immersed in the most engrossing public duties which make an absence from Washington quite impossible, and am, therefore, compelled to express my keen regrets to you.

The members of the Grand Army have ever been remembered among the forces working for the establishment and maintenance of a greater Republic, a stronger Government, a sounder society; and I know this attitude will be more and more strongly maintained. Please express to your comrades my great interest and my hope for the happiness and long life of everyone among them.

Very truly yours,

WARREN G. HARDING.

MR. LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
*Grand Army of the Republic,*  
489 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Comrade A. P. ROUNSEVELL, of Florida. I move you that the adjutant general be instructed to answer these communications of greetings in an appropriate manner to all who extended greetings to us.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the adjutant general be instructed to acknowledge each one of these expressions of greeting which we have received. All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is a vote.

Now, comrades, has come the hour when our thoughts are to be centered on those who have been with us and who are not with us to-day. I will ask Past Commander in Chief Torrance to present the memorial to our lamented William A. Ketcham.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE (reading):

*To the Fifty-Sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic,  
Des Moines, Iowa.*

COMRADES: In General Orders, No. 5, a committee was named to prepare a memorial of Past Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham and to present the same to this encampment. In discharge of the sad duty imposed upon it, said committee submits the following memorial:

(Here followed the memorial, which will be found on page 265 of this Journal.)

I move its adoption by a rising vote, and that an attested copy of this memorial be sent to the widow and family of our beloved comrade.

The motion was duly seconded.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor will rise. Let us pause for a moment in honor of a fallen chieftain.

(The members of the encampment stood in silence for a few moments, and then were seated by the gavel.)

Comrade F. Z. RASEY, of Minnesota. At this time I believe it is appropriate, in relation to the memorial to Comrade Samuel Fallows, who was a comrade from the State of Wisconsin—he was my chaplain in the 32d Wisconsin—and I move that there be two comrades from the State of Wisconsin placed upon that memorial committee. I understand that the department commander of the State of Wisconsin has selected two comrades.



The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We sympathize with the comrade's feelings. The action has already been taken. These two comrades have been added. Their report is now ready. Comrade Inman.

Comrade JOHN B. INMAN, of Illinois. To me has come the distinguished honor of presenting a tribute to the memory of one whom we all love, Samuel Fallows, past chaplain in chief. (Reading the memorial, which will be found on page 268 of this Journal.)

I move that the memorial be received by a rising vote, as in the case of our late lamented commander in chief, and that a copy be engrossed and sent to his family.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you hear the motion, that by a rising vote we adopt this memorial and that an engrossed copy be sent to the family of the deceased. All in favor will rise.

(The motion was carried by a unanimous rising vote.)

Comrade FRANK O. COLE (reading):

It is with sadness that we hear to-day of the painful illness of our beloved comrade, Past Commander in Chief A. G. Weissert, of Milwaukee. For many years he has been one of our most earnest and faithful members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Up to the time when he became too ill to do so, he was a regular attendant of all our encampments, a wise leader in all of our activities. All this in spite of the fact that he has been, ever since the battle of Nashville, in December, 1864, a constant sufferer from a wound that has never healed.

As a man Comrade Weissert has all the time been honorable and upright; as a citizen loyal and true; as a friend constant and dependable—a Christian gentleman.

We desire here to express to his anxious wife and daughter our profound feelings for them in their anxiety as they watch over him; and to our comrade Weissert our sympathy for him in his suffering, with the sincere wish that he may in due time recover from his painful illness.

I move that a copy of this resolution duly attested be forwarded to the family of Comrade Weissert.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you heard this statement. All who are in favor of the motion as made will say "aye." The motion prevails.

I will now call upon Comrade Altenberg, of Arkansas, who has a resolution which has to do with one of the ideal comrades who for 60 years has been holding up the standard of the Grand Army in the South, a comrade who had hoped, had been looking forward to being with us to-day, but now lies convalescing, I trust, in a bed in a hospital in the city of Baltimore. Comrade Altenberg.

Comrade Cos ALTENBERG, of Arkansas: Mr. Commander and comrades, we desire on the part of the Department of Arkansas that this national encampment send a telegram of condolence to our beloved comrade, A. S. Fowler. We expected him with us at this encampment, but the telegraph news is to the effect that a short time since—two or three days—he was compelled to enter a hospital in Baltimore, Md., for treatment. We think it is right and proper to remember comrades in life as well as in death, and a telegram of condolence to Comrade A. S. Fowler and his beloved wife, who is with him, on the part of this encampment, might revive his drooping spirits and he may recover. At any rate, as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic I take pleasure in presenting flowers to the living to encourage them; and I move you that there be a resolution



in the proper language for A. S. Fowler and his wife sent by telegram.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that a telegram of sympathy and good wishes be framed by the adjutant general and be sent to Comrade Fowler at Baltimore, Md. All in favor will say "aye." It is a vote. The adjutant will attend to it. Comrade McElroy has the floor.

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of the Potomac. Commander in Chief and comrades, I ask that the adjutant general be instructed to send the following telegram to Comrade Joseph Dutton, who has been doing Christ's work for so many years in caring for the lepers on the island of Molokai—the wonderful work of caring for the poor, wretched lepers on the island of Molokai in the Hawaiian Islands:

The Grand Army of the Republic, in fifty-sixth national encampment assembled, sends its greetings to Comrade Joseph Dutton, expresses its high appreciation of the exalted humanitarianism of the work to which he has devoted his life, that of caring for the wretched lepers at Molokai, and congratulates him upon the completion of another year of work of the highest philanthropy.

Here is another one to Comrade Past Junior Vice Commander in Chief Charles C. Royce, who has been lying on his bed afflicted by a mortal illness for four years. He has borne that with soldier-like resignation. He is now wanting to die. He has been wanting to die for two years, trying to die, but he can not.

The Grand Army of the Republic in fifty-sixth national encampment assembled sends its warm sympathies to Past Junior Vice Commander in Chief Charles C. Royce now lying in prostrating illness at his home in Washington, D. C.

I suggest that the adjutant general be instructed to send that telegram.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Permit me to say, if there is any one man in this world that is entitled to the sympathy, the love, and the admiration of all humanity, it is a man who immolates himself and goes down to a leper colony, knowing that he will incur the disease and die a miserable death. We can not pay too much honor to a man who devotes himself to the poor, suffering leper from whom almost everyone turns away in disgust. I hope this telegram to the comrade who is giving his life to the lepers will be adopted by a rising vote.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the motion as to the action which should be taken by us in honor of our Comrade Dutton. All in favor will rise.

(The motion was carried by a unanimous rising vote.)

You have heard the motion of sympathy for our Comrade Royce. You will remember some three years ago that he was then supposed to be at the point of death, and that this body then sent him a message of sympathy and hope. He still lives, but wishes that he was dead. Let us express our sympathy for him also by rising for a moment.

(The motion was carried by a unanimous rising vote.)

Comrades, we have completed this order of business and will proceed now with the further general business of the encampment. We



are now under the head of new business, unless any of the committees that have been appointed are ready to report. Is the committee on the address of the commander in chief ready?

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. They have not even had a meeting yet.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The committee on resolutions, of course, has not met yet.

Comrade L. F. ARENSBERG, of Pennsylvania. Not ready to report; meet this afternoon 30 minutes after the close of the session at the Fort Des Moines Hotel.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Is there any comrade who has anything to present for the consideration of the encampment at this moment? There being nothing, unless objection be made, we will proceed to the nomination and election of officers for the coming year. [Applause.] Nominations for the office of commander in chief are in order.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I move you, sir, that the roll call be suspended, and that Iowa be called.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the roll be dispensed with and that the Department of Iowa be requested to present its nomination for commander in chief for the coming year.

(The motion prevailed.)

Past Commander in Chief DAVID J. PALMER. Mr. Commander in Chief, nothing pleases me better than to represent my own State of Iowa in anything that is good, and I am here to name to you a Grand Army man who is all wool and a yard wide, Americanism 100 per cent. The very best man in Iowa, James W. Willett, of Tama, Iowa. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Is there anybody who will second that nomination? (Many comrades seconded the nomination.) Is there any other nomination?

Past Commander in Chief W. J. PATTERSON. Pennsylvania had a candidate for commander in chief, but when they came here and found that Iowa was presenting so worthy and capable a comrade as Judge Willett they concluded, with the hearty approval of our candidate, Comrade Arensberg, that we would not at this time attempt to stem this great flood that has rolled over in favor of Iowa's candidate. Therefore, in the name of Pennsylvania, I second the nomination of Judge Willett, of Iowa. [Applause.]

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander, I move the suspension of the rules, and that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment for Comrade Willett, of Iowa, for commander in chief for the ensuing year.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. I second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, that the rules be suspended and that we proceed to the election of the commander in chief, and that the adjutant general be instructed to cast one vote for James W. Willett as commander in chief for the coming year. All in favor will say "aye." Contrary, "no." We are ready to receive the ballot. (Ballot cast by the adjutant general.) I have the pleasure of announcing that Comrade James W. Willett, of the Department of Iowa, has received the unanimous vote of the encamp-



ment for commander in chief for the coming year, and I pronounce him elected. [Applause.] [Calls for Comrade Willett.] I will ask Comrade Patterson to bring Comrade Willett to the platform.

The members of the encampment rose to their feet and applauded while Past Commander in Chief W. J. Patterson escorted the commander in chief elect to the platform.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Willett.

Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa. Commander in Chief and comrades, I have had the good fortune in my life to hold quite a number of places of honor and trust at the hands of electors and associates. I have been in public life, both in the State and Nation, for an approximate of 50 years. I have the honor to occupy one of the most trusted places in the gift of the electors of the judicial district in which I reside in the great State of Iowa, once appointed by the governor to fill that position, thrice elected by the electors of that district without opposition, and the fourth time tendered the nomination by the bar and the electors of that district for four years more from the 1st day of next January, who, being informed that I was requested and urged to be a candidate for commander in chief of the vanishing host of the Grand Army of the Republic, and that my first duty was owing to them, the answer came, "We granted you the great privilege of serving us as a jurist when you and your immediate friends requested it. Now, we are asking you to serve us, and you may take all the time you want so as to serve the Grand Army." [Applause.] So that I occupy the anomalous position of having received the judicial nomination of my district in Iowa for the position of judge of the district court without opposition, and no opposing candidate against me by the opposing party, and the unanimous choice of this great body of men to serve you the coming year as your leader.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Do you accept, Judge?

Comrade WILLETT. As I told the parties at the Conopus Club the other day, that "Barkis was willin'" and I was in a receptive mood to be wooed and won. The distinguished gentleman from New York followed by saying to the gentlemen present that, in his humble judgment, I occupied the position that many a man had before me, of sitting at the table holding a cold deck and four aces, and all flushes were barred. So, you see, my friend Tanner, I have some memory. [Laughter.]

What can I say to you at this juncture but simply pledge to you that in the year to come, when I shall have been installed as your commander in chief, that I will accept that high honor, as I do now, with a pledge from my heart that I will serve you as becomes a man and a comrade to the best of my ability. [Applause.]

Fortune has given me a strong physical constitution. I belong to a corn State, and need hardly say to you I am corn fed. [Laughter.] The question was asked of me yesterday morning whether I intended to make the march, and my reply was, with a frown, "Certainly. Why should I ride?" "Why, you are too heavy. Oh, I am not going to walk." I have always prayed that when I come to die I would not commence to die at the top; and when that time comes, if I shall be unfortunate to die at the top, I pray God that I may die at once when the attack shall arrive. I discovered yesterday that I had no evidence of dying at the bottom, because I noticed that



I stood the march as well as did the thin fellows [laughter], though, perhaps, the effusion from my body bore a ranker smell and was more distinctly asserted.

Now, comrades, I am not going to take up your time longer. The business of this organization must be transacted, and I take it we should do all that we can during the present day, so that to-morrow would not require a very long session to conclude.

I pledge you, in conclusion, with all my power, with all my strength, physical and mental, to serve you as your commander in chief, as I said before, to the best of my extreme ability; and I cordially, fraternally, sincerely thank you for this great confidence that you have bestowed upon me. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We are not entirely through with our corn-fed friend, and I will ask him to remain standing. Past Commander Beatty, of the Department of Iowa, will tell us what he has on his mind.

Comrade A. G. BEATTY, of Iowa. Judge Willett, my commander elect, I have taken orders from you, and you also have taken orders from me. [Cries of "Louder!"] I am addressing Judge Willett, giving him information which he already knows, that I have in the past taken orders from him and he also has taken orders from me. I am very thankful that he has stated to you that he is corn fed, for I was very fearful, from his appearance here, that you would conclude that his feeding apparatus here was not solid. Now, commander elect, I wish to say to you, as you have stated to this audience about the greatness of the State of Iowa, that to this audience I will say, in presenting the name of Comrade Willett for commander in chief, we have given you a sample of the best of Iowa. [Applause.] Now, to show you that Judge Willett is not only the choice of the comrades of the State of Iowa, that he has always been the choice and is now the choice of that patriotic element of the State of Iowa, the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and, believing that he will need luck to carry on through the ensuing year, that order presents him with this beautiful ornament. (Large floral offering in the shape of a horseshoe.) [Applause.]

Comrade WILLETT. Well, there is an old commercial saying that if you have any sentiment to give to those who are in misfortune, don't wait till they are dead, but say it in flowers while they are alive. I accept this gracious gift presented to me by proxy from the dear ladies. They have not been mistaken in the proffered gift thus made and the sentiment portrayed.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have got to take this [referring to the floral emblem] with you. It don't belong to this administration.

Comrade WILLETT. I am informed that I am yet working under orders, and having served the imperial commander from the Empire State for the past year to the best of my ability in a subordinate capacity, I yield to the command as gracefully as I know how. [Takes his bouquet away.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, nominations for senior vice commander in chief are next in order. I do not believe it will be necessary to go through the formality of calling the departments. I will ask any department who has a candidate to now present it.



Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. We want to conserve time, and we want to do the right thing. Texas, I understand, has a candidate for one of the vice positions. That candidate has been most highly spoken of to me by two members of this encampment, one, Maj. Gen. John L. Clem, whom we know better as Johnny Clem, past department commander of Georgia, who has held this position; and the other, a glorious comrade, Ed Ketchum, of Galveston, Tex. And, seeming to have a dearth of candidates, I confidently take the liberty of presenting to this encampment the name of Comrade Brodbent, of Texas, for senior vice commander in chief.

Comrade JOSEPH A. WALTER, of Kansas. I rise to second the nomination of Comrade Brodbent for senior vice commander in chief on behalf of the Department of Kansas. He is a man that made his home in the State of Texas when it required nerve for a northern Civil War veteran to stay there; and, furthermore, he hails from a congressional district that is now represented in Congress by a party that never was represented before in the history of that State.

Comrade HOSEA W. ROOD of Wisconsin. Two years ago I was the national patriotic instructor. I had letters from all the department patriotic instructors, and I had them from two men in Texas that drew my heart to them, and this one is one in particular. He has done more good patriotic work in Texas than any other man. He went before the legislature and got a law passed by his own efforts and character to put a flag into every schoolhouse in Texas. He did that through his own efforts. I know it, because I have it from members of the legislature down there.

Comrade WILLIAM H. BLAKE, of Texas. I desire, on behalf of the Department of Texas, to second the nomination of Comrade Brodbent.

Comrade A. E. SHOLES, of Georgia and South Carolina. Georgia and South Carolina second the nomination of the comrade from Texas.

Past Commander in Chief SAMUEL R. VAN SANT. I move that the rules be suspended and that the adjutant general cast the ballot of the encampment for Comrade Brodbent.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the question before you is, Shall we suspend the rules and regulations and proceed to vote for the candidate for senior vice commander in chief, and shall we instruct the adjutant general to cast the ballot of this encampment for Comrade Brodbent, of Texas? All in favor say "aye." Contrary? The ballot is cast, and I declare Comrade C. S. Brodbent, of the Department of Texas, duly elected senior vice commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for the coming year. Is he present? Is Brodbent here?

The selection of a junior vice commander in chief is next in order.

Comrade A. L. VAN OSDEL, of South Dakota. Comrades, we have in our State an eloquent old Grand Army man that has lived there for 40 years. He represents a fighting family. He belongs to the Gardner family, and is a brother of the present Commissioner of Pensions. He has lived there for many years, and he was the first man that ever published a newspaper west of the Missouri River. [Cries of "Name him."] Comrade Gardner, of our delegation of South Dakota.



Comrade WILLIAM G. BAUGH, of Delaware. We have a candidate from little Delaware for junior vice commander in chief, a little State, but a great State that produces the sinews of war when they are needed. We have a candidate who served through the entire war, was in three prisons, and then enlisted in the Regular Army, and to-day is commander of the prisoners of war. The little State of Delaware presents the name of William Kelley as a candidate.

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of the Potomac. I second the nomination of Comrade Kelley.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. Comrade Kelley served four years in the First Maryland. He lost an eye and was severely wounded. Look at his mutilated hand. That will tell the story.

Comrade E. L. HURLBUT, of South Dakota. I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade C. V. Gardner, of this department, for the office of junior vice commander in chief. He is one of five brothers who entered the Union Army during the Civil War. He came to the Black Hills of South Dakota in 1876, and has been an active and patriotic member of the Grand Army for 35 years.

Comrade SILAS H. TOWLER, of Minnesota. On behalf of the Department of Minnesota I am instructed to second the nomination of Comrade Gardner for junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade L. C. COFFIN, of Oklahoma. This department seconds the nomination of Comrade Gardner. He is a brother of the present Commissioner of Pensions. It seems to me as little as we can do for the name of Gardner is to elect his brother junior vice commander in chief of the United States of America.

Comrade H. H. SPAYD, of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania seconds the nomination of Comrade Gardner.

Comrade W. S. CLARK, of West Virginia. Commander in chief and comrades, I am authorized by the Department of West Virginia to second the nomination of Comrade Gardner.

Comrade JOHN MIDDLETON, of the Potomac. I would like to know how many candidates there are now for junior vice commander in chief?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Gardner, of South Dakota, and Comrade Kelley, of Delaware.

Comrade WILLIAM MEARS, of Michigan. Comrades, it gives me great pleasure—Michigan claims Washington Gardner—in behalf of Michigan to second the nomination of his brother, C. V.

Comrade LEVANT DODGE, of Kentucky. Without any reflection upon any other excellent comrade, old Kentucky seconds the nomination of C. V. Gardner.

Comrade SAMUEL WHITE, of Illinois. Illinois seconds the nomination of Gardner.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Tellers will now be appointed. You will prepare your ballots. Two candidates have been presented, Comrade Kelley, of Delaware, and Comrade Gardner, of South Dakota.

Comrade CALVIN A. BRAINARD, of New York. New York desires to second the nomination of Comrade Gardner.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. No further seconds are to be considered. You will prepare your ballots. Comrade Inman and Comrade Mc-



Bride will act as tellers for Comrade Kelley. Comrade Johnson and Comrade Hall will act as tellers for Comrade Gardner.

The OFFICER OF THE DAY (Samuel D. Webster, of Missouri). Comrade Kelley withdraws.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Comrade Kelley of Delaware withdraws his name. There being but one candidate, Comrade Gardner, of South Dakota, I move that the rules be suspended and the adjutant general cast the vote of the encampment for Comrade Gardner for junior vice commander in chief.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded that the rules be suspended and that we proceed to ballot for junior vice commander in chief, and that the adjutant general be instructed to cast the vote of this encampment for Comrade Gardner, of South Dakota. All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." (The motion prevails.) Comrades, the adjutant general has cast your ballot for Craven V. Gardner for junior vice commander of the Grand Army of the Republic for the coming year. I declare him elected.

Now, comrades, it is my privilege and pleasure to present to you the comrade whom we have elected senior vice commander in chief, Comrade Brodbent, of Texas.

Comrade C. S. BRODBENT, of Texas. Commander in Chief and comrades, when the Department of Texas indorsed me for junior vice commander in chief I had no idea whatever of rising any higher. This is the highest office I have ever filled. If I fall down in this, you can place the responsibility on our good friend, Comrade Tanner. He made a mistake. Instead of putting in "junior" he put in "senior," and here I am. I will do my best, of course. There is no excuse for you people up here not being patriotic, no excuse whatever. You have no idea what we people in the South have had to contend with. But that has passed away to almost an inappreciable degree.

When I first went to San Antonio there were 10 Confederate flags to 1 Union flag. Now there are 50 Union flags to 1 Confederate flag. [Applause.] More than that, comrades, the greatest work I think we have done, we have helped to put the flag into every public school in Texas by one of the most stringent laws of any State of the Union. Comrade Palmer will tell you that. He wrote me that it was a more stringent law than you have here in this patriotic State of Iowa. Not a dollar can be drawn from any public fund unless there is a flag purchased by public money in every public school. Not only that, but no teacher can draw a dollar and every school director can be removed from office unless they have the United States flag in their school. [Applause.]

Now, think what that means. The territory of Texas is larger than New York and all New England. Think what it means, a million and a half of school children and a territory so large as that, with 15,000 public schools, and growing rapidly every year. That I consider our greatest work. If I can get the children, I care nothing about the old people. [Applause.]

But don't mistake. The Confederate friends I have in Texas are among my warmest friends to-day. As one of them remarked to me—his father was in the war and he himself was in the war—"I



don't know what I was. I was a young boy. All of my friends went in, and, of course, I went into the southern army." He said, "I never was a secessionist." And he said, talking about this quibbling about the name of the war, "I was a rebel. I rebelled against the Government; and this thing of calling it a War between the States is all bosh." [Applause.]

Comrade FRANK O. COLE (reading) :

The committee on resolutions will meet at the Fort Des Moines Hotel, in the ball room on the mezzanine floor, at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

L. F. ARENSBERG, *Chairman*.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, comrades, I have the pleasure of presenting to you Comrade Gardner, whom you have just elected junior vice commander in chief.

Comrade C. V. GARDNER, of South Dakota. Comrades, I thank you for the honor. I can give you no silver-tongued oratory. I leave all of that kind of stuff to my good brother, Washington. Most of you know him. All I can promise, I will do all in my power to maintain the honor and the prosperity of our great and grand organization. I thank you. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will now proceed to the nomination of a surgeon general.

Comrade GAYLORD M. SALTZGABER, of Ohio. Commander in Chief and comrades, I am commander of the Department of Ohio, the largest department in the Grand Army of the Republic. Among our people we have one who is not only most humble but the most influential among us. He has been a physician all his lifetime, full of the milk of human kindness; and I present to you for surgeon general of this great organization George Tryon Harding. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Is there any second to that nomination? (Several comrades seconded the nomination.) Are there any other nominations?

Comrade ALFRED LYTH, of New York. I move that the rules be suspended and that the nomination of Comrade Harding be unanimously voted by the adjutant general.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. Are you ready to vote? All who are in favor of suspending the rules and directing the adjutant general to cast the unanimous vote of this encampment for Comrade Harding, of Ohio, for surgeon general will say "aye." Opposed, "no." (The motion prevails.) The adjutant general performs his duty and hands to me the unanimous vote of this encampment for George T. Harding, of Ohio, as the next surgeon general, and I declare him elected.

Comrade GEORGE T. HARDING, of Ohio. I am not a speech maker. I don't propose to do that kind of business much. But I want to thank you for the courtesy. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the next officer is the chaplain in chief.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. For a moment I am Tanner, of Alabama. It may not be known to many of you who are so young in the Grand Army of the Republic that for many years I have been the chairman, self-appointed, of the committee in charge of the spiritual relations of the Grand Army of the Re-



public. Therefore I have a continuous concern about who is to be named as chaplain in chief. Alabama has paid me the great compliment of asking me to present the name of one of the comrades down there in Alabama whom they desire to see elected. I have looked at his record and I heartily and with all my heart accepted their invitation. Tersely put it is this—the name of the candidate is Comrade J. H. Eppler.

To the Indiana delegation I would say that he served in an Indiana regiment—Lew Wallace's regiment. He was at Fort Donelson, Fort Henry, Vicksburg, and all through that campaign. In 1864 he had both his eyes shot out. For two years he studied and then concluded to enter the ministry, and at 30 years he was accepted and pronounced a pastor of the Methodist Church. Four years he lived, and more, I think, in the State of Illinois, and the Illinois Legislature made him chaplain of their State senate for four years.

He moved down to Alabama. He has been and he is chaplain of that department of the Grand Army. After 20 years of blindness he had the blessed experience of realizing what the poet expressed when he said that "in woman's heart pity was akin to love." He met a lady, one of the jewels of womanhood, who took pity on his unfortunate condition and then loved and married him. They had four children born to them, two of whom have been lost.

Now, in the maturity of the years, my comrades, he would like to fill the office of chaplain in chief, that the mother of his children may see the old comrade with that badge on his breast.

I don't care how many comrades there are of the ministerial profession who are ambitious of this honor here to-day. They are all entitled to it if it could only be passed around. But I appeal to their manhood, I appeal to their sympathy for this stricken comrade, and I will not be satisfied with any less than the vote of every comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic in favor of this comrade who has been so terribly stricken but who has lived his life so worthily and is so worthy of every vote you can give him. [Applause.]

Comrade WILLIAM A. KELSEY, of Indiana. It is not only my pleasure but my great privilege to second the nomination of Indiana's distinguished son, Comrade Eppler. He began the war with us at Fort Donelson and he went all through the war with us, and we feel it a very great pleasure that we are permitted thus to second his nomination.

Comrade R. T. ST. JOHN, of Iowa. I wish, on behalf of the Department of Iowa, to second the nomination of Comrade Eppler.

Comrade T. M. BARRETT, of California and Nevada. We have a comrade here who is in every way worthy of this high position, but owing to the circumstances surrounding the comrade who has been presented, this comrade of ours desires to have his name withdrawn in favor of Comrade Tanner's nominee. It is Comrade C. R. Norton, who wishes to withdraw in favor of Comrade Eppler.

Comrade O. H. HASKINS, of California and Nevada. Now, Commander in Chief, I move you that the rules be suspended and the adjutant general be instructed to cast the vote of the encampment for Comrade J. H. Eppler.

The motion was duly seconded, put by the commander in chief, and carried. The vote was cast by the adjutant general, and Comrade



J. H. Eppler declared duly elected chaplain in chief for the ensuing year.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the council of administration is now to be elected, and I will ask Comrade Cole to read the nominations.

(Comrade Frank O. Cole then read the following list of nominations made by the several departments for the council of administration:)

*Council of Administration.*

Department.	Name.	Address.
Alabama.....	George F. Jackson.....	Birmingham.
Arizona.....	(Not represented in encampment.)	
Arkansas.....	Cos Altenberg.....	Little Rock.
California and Nevada.....	C. B. Wilson.....	Los Angeles.
Colorado and Wyoming.....	W. H. Comstock.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	Harry L. Beach.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	William Kelley.....	Wilmington.
Florida.....	A. P. Rounsevell.....	Lemon City.
Georgia and South Carolina.....	G. E. Whitman.....	Fitzgerald, Ga.
Idaho.....	George F. Kimery.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	John B. Inman.....	Springfield.
Indiana.....	Richard H. Tyner.....	Newcastle.
Iowa.....	A. G. Beatty.....	Independence.
Kansas.....	E. W. Phillips.....	Wichita.
Kentucky.....	M. H. Davidson.....	Louisville.
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	Basile Ulgere.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Edward A. Butler.....	Rockland.
Maryland.....	John H. Brandt.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Edwin F. Morrill.....	Everett.
Michigan.....	H. A. Chapin.....	Lansing.
Minnesota.....	Silas H. Towler.....	Minneapolis.
Missouri.....	John M. Williams.....	California.
Montana.....	R. L. Cleveland.....	Great Falls.
Nebraska.....	John Reese.....	Broken Bow.
New Hampshire.....	William C. Kelley.....	Hill.
New Jersey.....	Frank Briden.....	Belmar.
New Mexico.....	M. C. Pickin.....	Farmington.
New York.....	George A. Price.....	Brooklyn.
North Dakota.....	W. R. Whitcomb.....	Crasy.
Ohio.....	Marcellus O. Messer.....	Warren.
Oklahoma.....	Robert L. O'Mealey.....	Lamont.
Oregon.....	Samuel J. Robertson.....	Eugene.
Pennsylvania.....	J. Andrew Wilt.....	Towanda.
Potomac.....	John Middleton.....	Washington, D. C.
Rhode Island.....	John A. Medbery.....	East Providence.
South Dakota.....	Geo. W. Snow.....	Springfield.
Tennessee.....	Oliver C. Kinley.....	Marshalltown, Iowa.
Texas.....	D. L. Wagner.....	Denison.
Utah.....	Henry W. Charter.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	John A. Thwing.....	Bellows Falls.
Virginia and North Carolina.....	George W. Burchfield.....	National Soldiers' Home, Va.
Washington and Alaska.....	J. E. Gandy.....	Spokane.
West Virginia.....	Henry S. White.....	Matewan.
Wisconsin.....	E. B. Heimstreet.....	Lake Mills.



Comrade COLE. I move the adoption of the roll as called.  
(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, that these nominations be confirmed by the encampment. All in favor will say "aye." Opposed? The council of administration for the following year is now elected.

Comrade COLE. I move we adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Before that, please announce the change of the place of meeting of the committee on resolutions.

Comrade COLE. The committee will meet at 5 o'clock in the dining room on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Fort Des Moines.

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. Before this encampment adjourns I want the comrades to have an opportunity to look in the face of the candidate I nominated for chaplain in chief, Comrade Eppler, of Alabama.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, it gives me great pleasure to present to you our choice as chaplain in chief for the coming year, Comrade Eppler.

Comrade J. H. EPPLER (Gary, Ind.), of the Department of Alabama. Commander in Chief and comrades, I certainly appreciate this great honor that you have conferred upon me in electing me chaplain in chief of this great organization. I want to say to you that I shall do my very best to fill the office that you have elected me to with great honor. I have filled many offices of the Grand Army of the Republic. I have been a member of this organization ever since its first existence. I have been chaplain of the Department of Illinois and chaplain of the Department of Alabama, as well as holding many other prominent offices in this organization, but I appreciate this honor that you have conferred upon me this afternoon as the greatest and the highest honor that I have ever had conferred upon me. I thank you, Comrades, from the depth of my heart.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, it is moved and seconded that we now recess until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, at which time our committee on resolutions will be prepared to report. We will have their report, and the question will be on the adoption of whatever they may recommend to us. After that will come the installation of officers, which will end the work of the encampment. All in favor of the motion say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is carried.

Whereupon, at 4.45 o'clock p. m., the encampment took a recess until 10 o'clock Friday morning, September 29, 1922.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1922—MORNING SESSION.

The encampment convened at the Coliseum at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher presiding.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey (reading clerk). Comrades, the commander in chief has directed that department lines be ignored to-day, that he asks all comrades to come down to the front seats, while those from the side seats come to the center.



Comrades, here is an invitation to go to Portland, Oreg., in 1925. In view of the fact that a good many of us will be in the cemetery before 1925, I ask not to read it.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. It is to the fair.

Comrade COLE. I was a little too hasty. It seems they are going to have a fair in Portland, Oreg., in 1925, and they invite you in behalf of the people of Portland [reading]:

MAYOR'S OFFICE,  
Portland, Oreg., September 15, 1922.

Mr. D. L. MCKAY,

*Commander Grand Army of the Republic, Portland, Oreg.*

MY DEAR MR. MCKAY: In behalf of the people of Portland, Oreg., will you extend to the delegates of the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic a cordial invitation to visit Portland during the summer of 1925, when the State of Oregon will present in Portland a world's exposition which we expect to make the greatest exposition ever staged.

We remember with great pleasure the time when the Grand Army held their convention in Portland, and we should like to have the veterans all come back and renew acquaintances and see the exposition.

If you will extend this invitation it will be appreciated.

GEO. L. BAKER, *Mayor.*

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Comrades, I wish that the members of the committee on rules and regulations meet me at once at the foot of the stairs. The members of the committee are Comrades Saltzgaber, King, Janes, and McBride.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, this is a continuation of the session of the fifty-sixth encampment, which is now open for such business as may be brought before it. I will call first for the report of the committee upon officers' reports.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING (reading):

The committee on other officers' reports beg leave to report as follows:

"The report of the senior vice commander in chief, Comrade Robert W. McBride, shows that like a good soldier he has obeyed orders well and faithfully. Comrade McBride is always ready to obey all commands looking to the good of his comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

"The report of Comrade Henry A. Johnson, junior vice commander in chief, shows an unusual amount of work; and he did it well.

"Comrade William C. Peckham, adjutant general, has given all that was in him to the discharge of the arduous and responsible duties of his office. The record of his administration will stand out in letters of living gold.

"Too much can not be said in commendation of Comrade Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general. The many years which he has served in this capacity are filled with deeds of accomplishment. To him more than to any other man in the order is due the success of our various national encampments. His accounts are marvelously accurate and his system is without a flaw. His wonderful and unselfish zeal for the comfort and welfare of his comrades is so well known that all that is necessary to be said is, 'If Comrade Stowits is on the job, all will be well.'

"The report of Comrade Samuel P. Town, assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records, shows that he is a fitting successor to our late Comrade Holcomb, and is discharging the duties of his office satisfactorily.

"Comrade Marshall W. Wood, surgeon general, has made some wise suggestions that commend themselves to the order at large.

"Comrade George B. Smith in his report gives in detail his activities and, as our spiritual adviser, rich food for serious thought. His details of Memorial Day observance are very interesting. Your committee congratulates Comrade Smith in his use of the regular ritual prayer in the opening exercises of our encampment. It can not be improved upon, and it should be insisted upon in the future.

"The report of Comrade Levi Longfellow, patriotic instructor, is one of the most important and instructive reports ever presented by a patriotic instructor.



His work, especially in the matter of the centennial birthday of General Grant, is a marvelous piece of work, in which he was so ably assisted by Comrade Sholes."

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

JNO. R. KING.  
C. H. HASKINS.  
DANIEL M. HALL.  
ALFRED LYTH.

I move, Commander, that the report be accepted.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion. All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." The report is accepted and will be published as a part of the proceedings.

Comrade W. F. HAMBRIGHT, of Pennsylvania. In our election of officers yesterday there was one office that was not filled. The term of W. J. Patterson, trustee of the permanent fund, expires, and if there be no objections I would nominate W. J. Patterson as a member of the trustees of the permanent fund.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. To fill the vacancy made by the expiration of the term of office of the present incumbent, it has been moved that Comrade W. J. Patterson be elected to succeed himself. Are you ready for the question? All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." The motion prevails.

Past Commander in Chief WILLIAM J. PATTERSON. I will announce that the trustees will meet at the back of the hall. Comrade Webber, of Ohio, and Comrade Chase, of Michigan, meet me at the rear of the hall here at once.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Two important committees are yet to report, the reports of the committee upon the address of the commander in chief and the report of the judge advocate general, and the committee on resolutions. If there is any miscellaneous business of any kind which should be brought to the attention of the encampment, that should take precedence of these committee reports. If there is anything, the commander in chief will be pleased to recognize any comrade who may have anything to offer. There being nothing, we will ask for the report of the committee upon the address of the commander in chief, and I will ask the senior vice commander in chief to take the chair.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Robert W. McBride took the chair.

Quartermaster General COLA D. R. STOWITS. I rise to a question of privilege.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. State it.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. I move that a committee be now appointed to procure a proper testimonial for the retiring commander in chief.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, you have heard the motion, which has been duly seconded, that a committee be appointed to procure for the retiring commander in chief a suitable testimonial. This has been the practice of the encampment for years. Are you ready for the question? Those favoring the adoption of the motion will say "aye." Those who oppose it will say "no." The ayes have it, and the motion is adopted.



I will appoint as that committee Comrade Torrance, of Minnesota; Comrade Burton, of Missouri, I believe he claims he belongs to; and Comrade George Price, of Brooklyn.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. I move you, sir, that this committee prepare their report and make the report to this encampment.

(Motion seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that this committee be directed to prepare their report and submit it to this encampment. Are you ready for the question? Those favoring the adoption of the motion will say "aye." Those opposed will say "no." It is unanimous, and the motion is adopted. The committee is instructed accordingly. Comrade Torrance, you are the chairman of that committee. You are also the chairman of the committee on the address of the commander in chief and other matters.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE (reading):

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE ADDRESS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF AND ON THE  
REPORT OF THOMAS S. HOPKINS, JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL.

Your committee would respectfully report that it has carefully considered the address of Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher and finds that it covers many subjects in which the Grand Army of the Republic is vitally interested, all of which are treated in a most satisfactory manner.

The address discloses a strenuous year's work conducted, in the opinion of your committee, with marked wisdom, ability, and fidelity, and permeated with a fine patriotic spirit. His administrative year was exceptional in the opportunities afforded him to represent the Grand Army of the Republic on many important occasions, notably the dedication of the Lincoln Memorial and of the Grant Monument at Washington, in the District of Columbia.

On these and all other occasions Commander in Chief Pilcher fully met the high expectations of his comrades and acquitted himself to the satisfaction of his countrymen.

Your committee therefore commends the administration of Comrade Pilcher and approves his address in each and every particular, including all the recommendations in said address contained.

Your committee further states that it has examined the report of the judge advocate general, Thomas S. Hopkins, and also heard all parties interested in the appeal of the commander of the Department of Tennessee, Grand Army of the Republic, from the decision of the commander in chief approving the opinion rendered by said judge advocate general in what is known as the Chandler case.

No new facts were presented to your committee by appellant, and the final determination of the case rests upon the correctness of the conclusions reached on the legal questions involved, and so fully and clearly set forth in said judge advocate's opinion.

Your committee is in harmony with the disposition made of said case and recommends that said opinion and the decision of the commander in chief rendered thereon be approved and the said appeal dismissed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ELL TORRANCE,  
JAMES W. WILLETT,  
JOHN B. INMAN,  
JAMES TANNER,  
CHAS. G. BURTON,  
*Committee.*

I move the adoption of this report.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the adoption of the report of the committee on the address of the commander in chief, on the report of the judge advocate general, and



on the appeal from the Department of Tennessee. Are you ready for the question? Those who favor the adoption of the report will say "aye." Those who are opposed will say "no." The ayes have it.

Comrade COLE. I want to read a telegram [reading]:

CHICAGO, ILL., *September 28, 1922.*

COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

*Des Moines, Iowa:*

The national executive board of American War Mothers, assembled in session at Chicago, Ill., sends greetings to the Grand Army of the Republic in encampment at Des Moines, Iowa, and hope that they may meet for many years to come.

EXECUTIVE BOARD, NATIONAL AMERICAN WAR MOTHERS.

I move you, Commander in Chief, that the adjutant general make suitable response to this telegram.

(Motion seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those who are in favor of its adoption will say "aye." Those who are opposed will say "no." It is adopted.

The encampment has at this time in existence two committees, one on the federation of patriotic societies, and a report from that committee is with the other reports. Another is the Gettysburg peace monument committee. The chairmen of both those committees ask that the reports be received and the committees be discharged. Is that the will of the encampment?

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. I want to second the motion.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Those favoring the receipt of these reports and the discharge of the committees will say "aye." Those who are opposed will say "no."

(The motion prevailed.)

The committee on resolutions ready to report? Just a moment. There is another committee ready.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. In obedience to the authority conferred upon me this morning by the encampment, I rise to perform the duty imposed upon me to the best of my ability. We are now approaching the end of a year's administration and a week of happy reunion in this beautiful, prosperous, and patriotic city of Des Moines. The weather has been propitious, the skies have been bright, and all things have conspired to make this a happy and a memorable event. Of course, as we approach the close of this reunion our hearts are touched with the finer sentiments. The voice becomes less strident; we feel that it is the evening hour, when we gather closer together around the fireside to speak the language of kindness and affection, and possibly farewell.

Commander in Chief, there never was an hour when our affection for you was more alive, deeper, or beat stronger than just now. Of course, we love all our commanders in chief, and when their term of office expires we have the same feeling toward them that we have toward you. But you are the youngest of the family of commanders in chief; you stand a little closer to us, nearer to us, than these past commanders in chief. We want you of all things to understand that you have the love and the fellowship in the true sense of the



word of your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, not only of those who are here but of those who are not here, who are scattered all over the bosom of this great Nation, many of whom are confined to beds of pain and sickness and never reach these mountain tops of fellowship.

A resolution has been passed that a token, some expression—tangible expression—of our affection, be given to you. The badge that you wear upon your breast is most beautiful. You do not need another badge. And so I have been directed to hand you an official envelope. It is large and imposing, and in it is the evidence in the form of a check for the usual amount that we expend to buy something beautiful and attractive to put upon your breast. We have put that check in this envelope for you to do with it as you deem best, and we are under the impression that it may be used for the purchase of books for your medical library, because your reputation as a surgeon is nation-wide and beyond the confines of our Nation. So in the discharge of my present happy duty, with these words I hand you this remembrance from your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief PILCHER. Comrade Torrance, my beloved comrade, the senior vice commander in chief, and my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I needed not any such evidence, which you call tangible, to tell me of the regard of my comrades. During these hours that we have been together, as I have stood here and been able to look into your faces since our assembly, I have seen nothing but regard. I have been in many encampments, but never have I been conscious in that body of so much of an affectionate desire to help the commander in chief as has been witnessed here. I do not believe that I have misinterpreted it. There is a communication, a spiritual bond, which passes from heart to heart, that tells a man more than words. I have had that telegraphic "tap," "tap" on my heart all these hours, which has been the response of that key which has been touched in your hearts and means more to me than the spoken message of regard. I appreciate it. I thank you for it.

Most of you it has been my privilege to meet before, in your own encampments. That it has not been physically possible for me to visit all has been a source of regret to me, but you have made up for it here. As the result of such expressions as you have given to me there has resulted to your commander not an apparent diminution in the size of his hat but a very decided swelling of his hand. That hand is tender to-day with the many pressures which it has received during these days from these comrades. The same word expresses that feeling which pervades my whole body—tender affection for my comrades.

A year ago you placed in my hand the badge of authority. I pledged you then to do the best that I could for the benefit of this wonderful Grand Army. I have given myself to the work, but I have received in turn far more than I was able ever to give. [Applause.] Now, in a few moments, I shall pass that emblem of authority to him who shall succeed me. We know that one President of the United States sometimes has been able to pick his successor; the slim and forceful Roosevelt had his Taft. Do you see the simile? Taft! [Pointing to Judge Willett.] [Laughter and applause.]



And now, comrades, the future is before us. It is not necessary for me to multiply words. Our work is not yet done; our work will never be done as long as there is one wearer of the bronze button still drawing breath. [Applause.] The country needs you, and, though our influence as individuals may seem to become less and less as the years go by, and the young men rush up and press us aside, the influence of the past, of which you remain as a symbol, will grow and grow until it reaches the stature of a tree underneath the shadow of which not only this Nation but all the nations of the world shall abide. [Applause.]

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The committee appointed to procure and present to the retiring commander in chief a suitable testimonial has submitted its report, and you have all been witnesses of the performance of that duty. The question now is, Does that action of the committee meet with your approval? [Cries of "Yes."] Those of you who favor approving the report of the committee will say "aye." Those opposed will say "no." The report is approved.

Comrade WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, of Massachusetts. It seems to me a motion ought to be in order here, and that is that the election of officers shall not be allowed in future encampments until after the other business of the encampment has been transacted. [Applause.] Had our old comrade, Ketcham, been here yesterday when the suggestion was made for the election of officers he would have opposed it. He opposed it every year for years. What is the result? More than half of our encampment has gone home or is absent. We are blessed with a richness of comrades to fill the office of commander in chief, and there is no question as to the man who will be presented here but what he will carry on the work just as it has been carried on all these years, and a grand man; but the resolutions which come in here affect the welfare and the standing of every comrade of this order, and to have to act on these resolutions with half an encampment I claim is not right, and I move that hereafter the rules be—that it is the sense of this encampment that the rules established for the government of this encampment be carried out, and that the election of officers take place in its proper place.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Many comrades come to encampments with different minds. Some comrades have no particular interest in anything except the election of officers. Other comrades come with a desire to better and improve the condition of our organization. I believe that the comrades that are here present this morning are much more capable of transacting the business—the real business—of the organization than the whole mob that filled the seats yesterday. Those people that were back there take no particular interest in what is going to occur to-day. They care very little about it. I believe that it was a wise thing that the election was held yesterday to enable the comrades to come closer together where they can all hear and where the deliberations will be carried on in a proper parliamentary way. And besides that, Commander in Chief, the rules and regulations have established an order of business. I don't think they can be changed in any way by Comrade Wetherbee at this time. And the order of business especially



says that the election shall be the last business. Now, if anybody had made the point of order the commander in chief would never have allowed the motion to stand. If anybody had risen in his place and called his attention to the fact that the rules of order were being violated, no doubt he would have called the motion out of order. I therefore move that Comrade Wetherbee's motion lie upon the table.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The presiding officer has thought it best to allow our two comrades to have their say. I shall now rule that they are both out of order except as to the point of order raised by Comrade Cole. It is not necessary that any action be taken. Our order of business has been settled long ago. It is, of course, competent for the encampment to vary that from time to time if they choose to. Yesterday they did vary it, and no question was raised concerning the point of order. The question is now raised. No motion of the kind is necessary, because the matter was settled years ago by the action of another encampment. There has never been any change, to my knowledge.

Comrade JOHN CARMICHAEL, of Illinois. I wish to say a few words relating to that subject. I want to make an explanation, Commander, if you will just allow me one minute. It seems to me about three or four years ago that that question came up before the national encampment, and the national encampment decided that the election of officers would not occur until after all the other business of the encampment was done.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade is right.

Comrade CARMICHAEL. Now, Commander in Chief, I wished to say a word or two upon that subject yesterday, but I refrained from doing so.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. We will now have the report from the committee on rules and regulations.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander in Chief and comrades, the committee on rules and regulations begs your indulgence. The matters that were submitted to it came to it at so late an hour that we were unable to consider them until a few moments ago. There was no writing material at hand upon which we could formulate a report, and I therefore ask leave to make my report orally and that the stenographer take it down and transcribe and file it as such report.

The rules and regulations require that all proposed amendments thereto shall be indorsed by a department and filed with the adjutant general and 30 days' notice by publication in general orders. No such proceedings have been had. There has been handed to the committee by the committee on resolutions four so-called resolutions attempting to amend the rules and regulations. The committee, however, does not desire to stand upon a technicality, and therefore we have taken this action upon those resolutions:

Here is one proposing to increase the membership by making all past elective officers of the department members of the national encampment. Your committee are of the opinion that such an amendment ought not to be made, and we recommend that the resolution lie upon the table.



Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I move that the report of the committee be adopted.

(Motion seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is upon approving the report of the committee. Shall the report be approved? Those favoring it will say "aye." Those opposed "no." The report is approved.

I think, in listening to these reports, unless objection is made they will be considered as approved by the encampment without a vote.

Past Commander in Chief BURTON. Here is a resolution asking that the posts be permitted to call in Sons of Veterans as pallbearers. There is nothing in the rules and regulations that prevents any post from so doing. It also proposes that the Sons of Veterans and members of other allied societies be permitted to take part in our respective post meetings. Your committee recommends that that resolution lie upon the table. [Applause.]

Here is one of similar import which we recommend do lie upon the table.

Here is one in regard to the amendment that was adopted last year allowing the posts to employ stenographers. The proposed amendment is to prohibit the employment of anyone as a stenographer unless he or she be a son or a daughter of a veteran. That might deprive many a post of the opportunity of employing a stenographer, and we do recommend that it lie upon the table.

I am done.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The question is on the approval of the report of the committee on rules and regulations as a whole. Those favoring the approval will say "aye." Those opposed will say "no." The report is approved.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. Commander in Chief and comrades, I am requested to read the following communication [reading]:

DES MOINES, IOWA, *September 28, 1922.*

Comrade LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic,*

*Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa.*

My DEAR COMMANDER IN CHIEF: The National Alliance, Daughters of Veterans, has appreciated the difficulty arising from the fact that there is another organization with our eligibility and has realized the embarrassment this situation has caused the Grand Army of the Republic. The Daughters of Veterans, therefore, in convention assembled to-day unanimously voted to ask you to appoint a committee of three to act with a committee of three from the Daughters of Veterans to present to the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic an invitation to consolidate with our organization.

The Daughters of Veterans are willing to give to the past presiding officers of the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic the rank of past officers in their organization and feel that the matter of name, ritual, etc., may easily be settled with the aid of our comrades in the Grand Army of the Republic.

We will reserve the right, however, to investigate the eligibility of their members before they are taken into our organization.

Will you, therefore, please appoint a committee of three to act with us in this matter?

Sincerely in F., C. and L.

KATHERINE R. A. FLOOD,  
*Past National President.*

CLARA F. HOOVER,  
*Past National President.*

NELLIE M. GOODMAN,  
*Past National President.*



Commander in Chief, as is known to many of us, there has been more or less friction between the two organizations of daughters of veterans during these recent years—rivals in a way, and yet each undertaking to do the same thing. In some cases this has aroused unpleasant local feelings, not only with these organizations but with the posts of the Grand Army where they are located. It seems that they have united now upon a basis of agreement and ask your approval that that agreement be ratified. Sir, I move the appointment of the committee of three as requested.

(Motion seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion as made, which has been seconded, that a committee of three be appointed to act upon the communication from the Daughters of Veterans. Are you ready for the question? Those in favor of the adoption of the motion will say "aye." Those opposed will say "no."

(The motion was apparently carried.)

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I desire to be heard upon that.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The comrade desires to be heard. Possibly I was hasty in putting the question, and we will listen to what the comrade has to say.

Comrade HENRY. You have seemed to settle the question, but it seems to me that it is a matter of none of our business; that between those two societies of ladies, the Daughters of Veterans and the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic, if they want to consolidate, let them have their committees appointed. But I don't believe that we as comrades or as this encampment have any business in mixing up in that matter.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will suggest that this matter be referred—I mean action on the appointment of the committee asked for be referred—to the incoming administration. If there is no objection it will be so ordered. It is so ordered.

Comrade HENRY. The vote to appoint it then stands as the action of the encampment and the committee is to be appointed?

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Unless the encampment desires to take some further action. I made the statement I did because I wished to expedite matters as much as possible. I do not think it can do any harm.

Comrade WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, of Massachusetts. Am I to understand here that the motion for the appointment of that committee stands?

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It does unless the encampment sees fit to set the action taken aside. I will say to the stenographer that that motion will stand, and the matter is referred to the incoming administration for action.

Comrade THOMAS E. BLANCHARD, of California and Nevada. I understand that the Daughters of Veterans would like action at the present time so that they may effect this settlement between the two orders at this encampment.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. So far as the Chair is concerned, I will state as my opinion that that is a matter to be determined by them alone, as Comrade Henry has said, so that it



does not need any action by this encampment to allow them to consolidate if they see fit to do so. That is the ruling of the Chair.

Comrade JOHN RAINSBURY, of California and Nevada. I move that this encampment look with disfavor upon the Sons of the Grand Army of the Republic or the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic, so called, assuming that name—either the Sons of the Grand Army or the Daughters of the Grand Army. I move that this encampment look with disfavor upon their assuming the name of the Grand Army of the Republic without sanction of the encampment.

Comrade C. H. HASKINS, of California and Nevada. I second the motion of Comrade Rainsbury.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Will you state your motion again?

Comrade RAINSBURY. That this encampment look with disfavor upon any organization assuming the name of the Grand Army of the Republic without the sanction of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion.

Comrade JOHN C. MARTIN, of Wisconsin. The question was raised here with reference to the use of the name of the Grand Army. Has the Grand Army any patent on its name? Will you please read this, or shall I?

Comrade C. H. GRANGER, of Vermont. I rise to a point of order. This encampment yesterday voted that resolutions should be referred without reading or without stating to the committee on resolutions. My understanding would be that this motion and the previous one which was taken up are out of order. They should have been made in writing and submitted to the committee on resolutions. It was the intention of the encampment not to have a discussion of these details and matters, but to submit them to the committee and let the committee on resolutions take such action as it deems best and then bring it before the encampment. I claim this is out of order. That is my point.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I think the Chair will sustain that point of order. It is possible, however, for the encampment at any time to change any rule that it has adopted.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander and comrades, last evening a committee of two, appointed by the Daughters of Veterans, came to Comrades Hall, King, and myself and requested us to accompany them on an official visit to the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic were in open session. The two ladies stated the object of their meeting—to tender the olive branch and to take such steps as would result in the complete and harmonious union of those two organizations. [Applause.] Past Commander in Chief Hall, Past Commander in Chief King, and your humble servant addressed that assembly by request and urged upon the daughters to get together, and the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic took the matter under consideration. I am now informed that the Daughters of Veterans have addressed a letter to this encampment asking for the appointment of a committee of three to aid, if possible, in the conciliation and uniting of those two orders, and therefore I



think that we should appoint that committee now. [Applause.] And I move that a committee of three be appointed to take such action as under all the circumstances it is possible to do.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

Comrade Harmon Bross, of Nebraska. I want to rise to a point of order, Commander. My point of order is that we have just voted that committee. We are all of us sorry to disagree with Comrade Burton, but I insist that we have already voted that committee of three. The committee has not been appointed, but the encampment has voted it.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The Chair recognizes the fact that this encampment is master of the situation and can do what it chooses to do.

Comrade EDWARD J. MITCHELL, of New York. I move that the rules be suspended and that the motion be in order and placed before the encampment.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There is already a motion pending before the encampment.

Comrade WILBUR F. HENRY, of Missouri. I would like to ask for information. It seems that some of them do not seem to understand this as I do. This motion of Comrade Burton, as I understand, is not on the appointment of the committee, which has already been ordered, but that the committee shall be now appointed instead of carried over until the next administration.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is the motion, and that motion is now before the encampment. Shall that committee be appointed now? Those favoring it will say "aye"; those opposed "no." It is carried; and I appoint as that committee Comrade Burton, Comrade King, and Comrade Hall, of Ohio.

Past Commander in Chief CHARLES G. BURTON. Commander, I would be delighted to act upon that committee, but Comrade Rassieur and Comrade Torrance, waiving seniority, have requested me to install the officers. If I go upon that committee I can not do that. Comrade Willett has kindly asked me to install them, and therefore, Commander, I respectfully request that you will appoint some other.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will appoint Comrade Gardner on the committee in the place of Comrade Burton.

Comrade MARTIN. I hold in my hand a communication from the register of copyrights, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Read it—hand it here and let Comrade Cole read it.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE (reading):

SEPTEMBER 1, 1922.

DEAR MADAM: In response to the direct inquiry in your note of August 26, I beg to say that obviously, as explained in our former letter, that names or titles, as such, are not subject matter of copyright. The "G. A. R." could not have copyrighted their name any more than any other association.

Very truly yours,

THORVALD SOLBERG,  
Register of Copyrights.

Miss BONNIE L. PARKE,

Commander in Chief, National Daughters of the

Grand Army of the Republic,

191 Tennyson Avenue, Highland Park, Mich.



The purport of this letter is that the name "Grand Army of the Republic" is not copyrighted, and under the ruling of the copyright department it would be impossible to copyright it.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Next in order is the report of the committee on resolutions. Is Comrade Hall, of Ohio, here? He does not seem to be here; and I will appoint in his stead on the committee just named Comrade Inman, of Illinois. The committee on resolutions will report.

Comrade L. F. ARENSBERG, of Pennsylvania, chairman. Commander in Chief and comrades, the secretary of the committee will read this first resolution.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Before reading it I want to explain that under the law the money received from the Pension Department can not be attached by any method of legal procedure, but after the check has been cashed and the money is in the pensioner's pocket an attachment from the courts lies; and in Indianapolis there have been several cases where a young chicken has hobbled a comrade and got him to marry her, and after marrying her she has deserted him, and the court has granted her half of his pension money, and they have put it over. Here is an amendment to the Bursum bill by one of the members of the committee, an eminent lawyer from Indianapolis, to change this whole matter. [Reading:]

That the Bursum pension bill, which has already passed the Senate of the United States and is now pending in the House of Representatives, be amended as follows:

"That no Federal court or State court or any court authorized by an act of Congress, shall have the power to enter any order or judgment or decree in any of said courts whereby any pensioner under this act shall be deprived of his pension or any part thereof after the same shall have come into his possession, unless by his consent, entered of record."

I move that this resolution be adopted and referred to the incoming commander in chief to present to the Pension Committee of the House of Representatives.

Past Commander in Chief ELL TORRANCE. I wish to inquire if it is the purpose of the resolution to prevent the worthy wife of a soldier who is perhaps not just what he once was to prevent that worthy wife from receiving one-half of the pension. If so, I am opposed to it.

Comrade COLE. The legal gentlemen of the committee will answer that question. We have every kind of a man on the committee, legal or otherwise.

Comrade SAMEL M. HENCH, of Indiana. Commander and comrades, I am the author of this resolution. The resolution says and requests you to recommend, in effect, that the Bursum bill, that has passed the Senate and is now pending in the House of Representatives, be amended as follows:

That no Federal court or State court or any court authorized by an act of Congress shall have the power to enter any order or judgment or decree in any of said courts whereby any pensioner under this act shall be deprived of his pension or any part thereof after the same shall have come into his possession, unless by his consent, entered of record.

Mr. Commander, I do believe that if ever there was a resolution presented before an encampment of our great order in which there was equity and justice, it is in this case. I do not reside in the great



city of Indianapolis, but I reside in the city of Fort Wayne. I know of many instances where soldiers who are now 80, 85, 86, along up in years, have married women who are 65, 70, and 75. Then after they are married and since we have the \$50 a month pension, they tell these soldiers "You give us part of your pension and then you may go where you please."

We all know that under the law as it stands to-day there is no power to reach a soldier's pension before he has received that pension. This is brought here because I have known many cases where a woman married an old comrade of ours because she knew that she could get his pension away from him in the courts of the United States or in the courts of the States.

There is hardly any act but what some injustice seemingly arises. What our good Comrade Torrance says may seem an instance of this kind. But the purpose of this act is to do what all law requires. The purpose must be that it intends to reform something, to do justice although sometimes, I suppose, injustice may be done.

Therefore, in behalf of these old comrades, in behalf of these old men who fought for their country, who are still living here with us and by us—of course, many may not need this pension money, but let's put it in the statute book, let's put it there in this Bursum bill, whenever they get their \$72 a month, that they have the right to take care of it as they please. If there are any men that have the right to determine what they shall do with their money I would like to know whether the old soldiers of America haven't the right to determine what they shall do with their money that they fought for upon the field of battle.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. Comrades, in reply to the argument of the comrade who has just spoken, I have a case in point. Here is the wife of an old soldier living in the Minnesota State Soldiers' Home. As you know, it don't cost him one silver dollar for his living, for his food, his raiment, his doctor's bill—not a cent. He draws now under the law \$72 a month. He has a wife with a wooden leg and a daughter about 15 years old. This wife, when he went to the soldiers' home, was compelled to take in sewing for the purpose of making a living, paying her rent, and taking care of herself and her daughter. Certain ladies interested themselves in giving this woman work so she could make a living, and her husband refused to let her have one cent of his pension.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. Comrade Torrance, will you allow me to ask you a question?

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. Yes.

Comrade COLE. I understand now the Pension Department has the power to divide that money.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. That is what I am getting at.

Comrade COLE. This don't stop it.

Past Commander in Chief TORRANCE. I don't know. It don't look to me just exactly right. I don't believe in the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic legislating in special cases, and especially in behalf of some old comrade who don't know enough to take care of himself, either in regard to getting married or to performing his duties as the husband of a lawful wife. I don't believe in it.



Comrade FRANK M. HAY, of Indiana. Comrades, I have been a pension attorney for about four years, and in that four years there have been many comrades in Indianapolis—that is my home; Judge Hench is from Fort Wayne—there have been from 1 to 20 people almost daily called at my office; I succeeded the late Henry Holt. The law on dividing pensions in my judgment is as pure a law as there is on the statute books. If I don't provide for my old wife she can file for half of my pension and the good commissioner will give me notice to show cause why she shall not have half of my pension. If I can't show it in 30 days he gives an order to divide it with the old lady, and I say it is God's right and it ought not to be disturbed. I know comrades to-day in Indianapolis wearing fine watches and carrying gold-headed canes, whose wives are washing for a living, and they have come to me to know what to do. I tell them to get along with the old man the best they can.

While the statute covers our men, we are not the only comrades. The wives of our comrades and of our comrades of the Spanish-American War are under the same law. There is one fellow that has hid, with two children, and a young wife that works in Indianapolis for a living, and we can not get service on him. There are a couple of men who have left their offices in Indianapolis and they are over in Arkansas and we can not get service on them. They are drawing their pensions.

Commander in Chief, if there is any law to-day that ought to be left alone it is a law that provides that a husband shall take care of his wife, and if he don't prove that he is doing it in 30 days to the honorable commissioner she ought to have all of it instead of half. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief-elect J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa. You will pardon me for speaking to this question. I agree with the comrade from Indiana in part, that it is only right and just that there should be a division of the pension if the good old wife or a good old second wife and the comrade could not agree. [Applause.] I doubt very much whether this document as presented here would make any material difference in that matter. It would not in my court.

Now, then, I want to speak to the question that is in this resolution. This question has been before me and adjudicated twice. One phase of it is pending on the road to the supreme court at this time. The other has been decided—where I held that until the pension money loses its identity, whether it is cash or a certificate, that it was exempt from execution—and it has been sustained by our supreme court. But pardon me.

As I recollect it, there are other States where they have pandered, if you please, to the collector and the fellow who wants the last pound of flesh, and they have carved out portions of that pension; and those jurisdictions—I do not remember whether Indiana is one of them or no—but in those jurisdictions they do eat up some of the pensions, and to that extent and degree this enacted into law would prevent them unless they override the law. Now, that is the situation.

I have had the pleasure and the experience of examining briefs upon this question. The State courts throughout the United States are not uniform, but thank God that the majority



of the opinions favor the exemption of the pension money until it is merged in something that you can not identify. Why, I know an instance, and I will quit, where a comrade bought a surrey with his pension money, saving it up for years in his little savings account from the pension money, and it was held by a high court to be exempt from execution so long as he could establish the fact that it was pension money and the accretions thereof, and the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa held that to be the law.

Comrade HARMON BROSS, of Nebraska. I do not wish to speak upon the merits, but I call attention to a peril in that resolution. We have been trying to hasten the passage of the Bursum bill. This amendment will delay action on the Bursum bill for from six months to a year. I move that it lie on the table.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the report of the committee on resolutions as to this particular resolution lie on the table. Those in favor of that motion will say "aye." Those who are opposed will say "no." The ayes have it, and it lies on the table.

Comrade L. F. ARENSBERG, of Pennsylvania. Your committee on resolutions have had quite a number of resolutions presented to them, and among others here are two or three in relation to the action taken by the Confederate veterans in their national convention at Richmond. We have decided that, while these resolutions are very nicely gotten up and probably express the opinions of most of us, nevertheless, taking the whole question into consideration, we have decided that the best way to get at that thing—we have concluded that this was a matter that was taken up by those old fellows to draw our attention to them, and it is a sort of an advertisement for a miserable little pamphlet or garbled history of the war, and they want to sell it, and now they think that by getting us into the squabble that would help them advertise it. We have decided to treat the whole matter with contempt—silent contempt. [Applause.] Therefore we have decided to lay these resolutions on the table.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The action of the resolutions committee is approved unless there is objection. I do not remember whether I made the announcement or not, but unless there is objection they will be accepted as approved by the encampment.

Comrade ARENSBERG. Here is a resolution indorsing a book, "Hand Grips." I don't know what we have to do with it especially, and as we could not find any particular use for this kind of grips, we decided to lay that on the table.

This is a resolution referring to the matter of not allowing veterans over 65 years of age to appear before the Civil Service Commission—in relation to employment, I suppose—and, as the Attorney General says there is nothing of that kind, no law interfering with their appearing, we have decided to lay this on the table.

Here is a resolution of the Fourteenth Brooklyn Regiment to recognize or permit them to retain their old name. We move to have this resolution adopted.



(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas the Fourteenth Regiment of Brooklyn, N. Y., was organized in 1844, and in 1847 it became the Fourteenth Regiment of the State of New York; and

Whereas this Regiment fought all through the Civil War as the Fourteenth Regiment, and in the Spanish-American War and the World War at all times with great credit to itself and honor to our Nation: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That it is our desire, expressing the wish and sentiment of the Fourteenth Regiment and the men who have served in it through all wars and who are members of the regiment to-day, that the United States Government, through its War Department, allow the Fourteenth Regiment to keep that honored number—the Fourteenth—as its permanent and legal name.

This is a resolution asking for a committee to prepare an address on the flag. I think we have quite a number of addresses that are scattered all over the country. Any comrade wanting anything of that kind could very easily select something that would suit him. We have decided to lay this on the table.

This is a resolution asking for a committee to confer with the Legion and the Spanish-American War veterans in regard to some legislation that does not particularly pertain to or interest us, and we have concluded to lay that on the table.

This is a resolution from men who served in some of the militia or some of the later organizations, asking for our aid to have them placed on the pension rolls. We have referred this to the committee on pensions.

This is a resolution asking for the approval of this encampment of a bill relating to the management of some of the soldiers' homes. As we hardly know what they mean by asking for this thing—I think it is just a personal grudge or something or other; at all events, not being conversant with this thing, we have decided to lay it on the table.

The secretary will read the following resolution.

Comrade COLE (reading):

Whereas the discarding of the blue-uniform clothing and removing all appearances of the Civil War soldier as he looked in the ranks does not enable the children of to-day to know how a grand or a great grand father looked in the ranks when this great country was united in 1861–1865, and in the absence of any pictures in our soldiers' homes to properly bring the boys in blue to their attention: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That this encampment appoint a committee to select such a picture and to ask the board for a place in the administration buildings where it can be seen by visitors when visiting those homes.

Move to lay it on the table.

Comrade ARENSBERG. This is a resolution with a whole lot of newspaper clippings and one thing another that would take about a week to read. It is denouncing some Congressman, and as we have no interest in it particularly, we have decided to lay this on the table.

This is a resolution to check the movement on the part of the people of the South to have the Civil War designated as "The war between the States" instead of "The War of the Rebellion" or Civil War. We have decided to adopt this resolution.

[Cries of "Read it!"]

Comrade COLE. There are four pages of it.

Comrade ARENSBERG. There is too much of it.



(Following is the resolution:)

Whereas it has come to the knowledge of the Grand Army of the Republic that an organized and widespread effort is in progress, first, to have the designation of the Civil War of the sixties changed from "The War of the Rebellion" to "The War between the States" in all official papers and publications of the Government of the United States; and, second, to have the names of Robert E. Lee and "Stonewall" Jackson included among those of "distinguished Americans" placed on the amphitheater in Arlington Cemetery; and

Whereas the said organization has issued to the United Daughters of the Confederacy an "appeal" for aid in accomplishing the purpose stated, in which "appeal" the interest of the Grand Army in the movement is admitted and the name of the Grand Army of the Republic is used in an unauthorized and objectionable manner: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, By the Grand Army of the Republic, in national encampment at Des Moines, Iowa, this 29th day of September, A. D. 1922, that we make a solemn and emphatic expression of our sentiments in regard to the matter cited, to the following effect, namely:

First. As a part of the great host of the sixties who stepped forth joyfully to do all and bear all that the Nation's life might be preserved, and speaking for the vast majority of our comrades in arms who have gone on before and who have now no means of defending their honor except through us, we place ourselves firmly and finally on the ground chosen by our great President and Commander in Chief, Abraham Lincoln, and defined by him in his imperishable address at Gettysburg, namely, that the conflict of the sixties was "a great civil war, testing whether any government conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal can long endure," and that on the victory of the national cause in that conflict depended the determination "that government of the people, and by the people, and for the people should not perish from the earth."

The great Army of the Nation, drawn from all the States of the Union, North and South, except one, sprang into being only when the life of the Union was threatened, and it disbanded as soon as that object was attained. To ascribe to it any other purpose is to falsify history and to put the brand of mercenaries on us and all our fallen comrades.

Second. The designation "the war between the States" is to us peculiarly hateful and insulting. It is false in fact. There never has been a war between the States. While there have been causes of dispute and even threats of conflict, the American people have always found a way of peaceful settlement within the law and under the Constitution, which was formed with that very end in view. We as participants did not go to war at the behest of a State or against a State, but under the flag of the Federal Union and for its preservation.

The designation proposed obliterates the distinction between the objects sought in the sixties by the opposing forces; makes the destruction of the Union as praiseworthy as its defense; reduces the splendid heroism of a great Nation battling for its existence to the level of a petty affray between local factions. If the Civil War was no more than that, then it was a gigantic mistake and an unspeakable crime on the Federal side; its heroism and sacrifice, its waste, its heartbreak, and rivers of blood, all went for naught. What we looked upon as the defense of the national life was not worth a day nor an hour of the four years of agony. The fondest hope of our lives—that we had been useful in our day and could leave to our children's children the example of a patriotic duty well performed and a worthy object attained by devotion and sacrifice—dissolves before our eyes into the fond delusion of old men who have had their futile day and who have need to hide away from the pity or reproach of a wiser generation.

Third. We recognize in the movement we deprecate, an effort two generations after it was slain to revive the corpse of secession and obtain for disunion a standing that it could not win on the field of battle. Who are they who set at naught the verdict of a sovereign people and would turn back the current of national development? We protest against any phraseology in public documents that afford even so tardy a recognition of the so-called Southern Confederacy.

Fourth. We do not cherish hatred toward our opponents on the battle fields of the Civil War. On the contrary, those of us especially who have made our homes in the South have formed with them many ties of friendship and



respect which we manifest, as do they, in joint meetings and cooperation with them and other courtesies as occasion offers. We recognize them as true men who stood bravely, as Americans always do, for a cause in which they believed. But on the cause of secession we think to-day as we did 60 years ago. We are flattered to have the authors of the "appeal" regard us as "broad-minded men," as they say; but we protest that we are not sufficiently "broad" or lax to favor the cause against which we made war in our youth.

At the same time we do not think it is necessary to designate the Civil War by a title so offensive as "The Rebellion." If the officers of the organization for changing the name had put themselves in touch with the Grand Army of the Republic in an effort to come to an understanding instead of presuming to speak for us, there might possibly have been found some ground of common agreement.

In the meantime and with all the earnestness of which we are capable, we protest against the naming of the war by the vanquished party and the dictation of their choice to the Government which they failed to destroy; and this the more because they choose a name which is, and is intended to be, disparaging and offensive to those who stood in the breach in the hour of the Nation's peril, and because in the act they assume an air partly patronizing and partly contemptuous toward those who saved the Nation's life, and back up their project with the false and insolent claim that all through the war, as they put it in their "appeal," "the South was the constitutional party, and when she withdrew from the Union she carried the Constitution out with her."

Fifth. In the matter of placing the names of Lee and Jackson on the Amphitheater at Arlington, we call attention to the fact that neither of these persons is a "distinguished man" in the sense of the act providing for the selection of the names. While it is true that both made good records as young men in the war with Mexico, yet their army service then, and even with the added opportunities of the 14 years that followed, was not of sufficient merit to raise them above the grade of colonel in the one case and captain in the other. The truth is that they worked their way into prominence by leadership in a stupendous conspiracy to destroy the Nation and not to serve it. Obviously the Government can not recognize honors bestowed on them by a so-called confederacy whose legitimate existence it can never by any possibility admit.

The fact stands forth for all the world to see that the desire of these people is not that the South be represented, for that is provided for by the names of southerners that do appear; nor that eminent services in the American Army be not overlooked, for the two men chosen gave no services of the kind; their whole anxiety is through these men to secure honors for the Confederate cause.

If things have come to such a pass that at the dictation of a group of malcontents it is necessary for the Government of the United States of America publicly to condone the act of the army of officers who went over to the enemy on the eve of battle and unsheathed their swords to make effective the greatest political crime of the nineteenth century, we suggest that a decent respect for the proprieties would urge that selection be made of men who proved themselves worthy by some signal act of patriotism or by working their way up to high command in the active service of their country.

Comrade ARENSBERG. This is a resolution that has been referred to the pension committee in relation to pensions.

This is a resolution asking that Lincoln's birthday be made a national holiday. I don't know that Congress has any business making holidays or anything of that kind. It is proposed to celebrate Lincoln's birthday when it comes around every year. We have decided to lay this resolution on the table.

This is a resolution changing the language in the pledge of allegiance in common use by omitting the words "my flag" and inserting "the American flag." This resolution has been adopted.

(Following is the resolution:)

*Be it resolved*, That the Grand Army of the Republic recommend a change in text in the pledge of allegiance in common use to-day, as follows:



Omit the words "my flag" and insert the words "the American flag," so that the pledge of allegiance will read as follows:

"I pledge allegiance to the American flag and to the Republic for which it stands—one Nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

This is a resolution that veterans who have reached the age of 80 or over should not be removed from office, provided they are capable of fulfilling the duties thereof. It is adopted.

(Following is the resolution:)

*Resolved*, That this encampment recommend that the heads of the various departments of the United States Government modify their policy of retaining no employee in the civil service of the Government who is over 80 years of age by making an exception in favor of veterans of the Civil War who are recommended by the heads of the various offices in which they are employed, who are able to discharge their duties faithfully and efficiently.

This is from an old comrade in Washington State, a resolution recommending the changing of the name of a mountain in Washington to Mount Lincoln. As it is now, it is called in one place Mount Rainier and in another Mount Tacoma. This comrade wants us to recommend that it be changed and named Mount Lincoln. [Applause.] Now, then, this was accompanied by another resolution that was censuring the Geographic Board. We have no knowledge of the matter outside of this statement, and we have decided to lay these on the table.

Comrade JAMES H. CHASE, of Washington and Alaska. Commander in Chief——

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade, do you wish to speak to the report that was just passed upon?

Comrade CHASE. Just about the mountain—about changing the name of the mountain from Mount Rainier to Mount Lincoln.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That matter was before the encampment and disposed of a year ago, comrade, and I will decide that your remarks at this time on that subject would be out of order. We appeared—a representative from the Grand Army of the Republic appeared—before the National Geographic Society and made every possible effort to have the change made in the name, without effect. It would be useless now to take up the time of this encampment and discuss a question that has been decided, and finally decided.

Comrade CHASE. That is just what I would like to be heard upon.

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. The chairman did not state the matter fully. These resolutions are in effect a denunciation of the National Geographic Board, and asking this encampment to request the President of the United States to remove those men. Now, we did not believe that 12 men composing the geographic board should be condemned unheard. We had one man's statement against them, and those 12 men we suppose to be working properly, filling the offices to which they had been appointed. Therefore, having no knowledge on the subject, we moved to lay the whole matter on the table, and I think it ought to lie there.

Comrade CHASE. There is nobody proposes——

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The chairman will proceed with the report.

Comrade ARENSBERG. Here is a resolution that "The Star-Spangled Banner" should be declared the national anthem. We



have no jurisdiction in the matter. We can not pass a law to that effect. Consequently, we lay this on the table.

The proper method of displaying the flag, recommended by the War Department. We recommend this for adoption.

(Following is the resolution:)

*Resolved*, That the Flag Circular, promulgated by the War Department for the information and guidance of the United States Army, be adopted as the rule governing the conduct of the Grand Army of the Republic in the display and use of the flag in public appearance and in our post halls.

*Resolved*, That we recommend to our auxiliary and other allied orders the use of the instructions of the Flag Circular for the government of their conduct toward the flag.

*Resolved*, That the said Flag Circular be published in full in general orders, and in the journal of the proceedings of this encampment.

#### FLAG CIRCULAR.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Washington, D. C.

Many inquiries concerning the proper method of displaying, hanging, and saluting the United States flag are being received in the War Department with the evident object of securing some authoritative statement relating to the subject.

In this connection it should be remarked that while it is within the province of the War Department to prescribe rules and regulations governing the matter in question for observance within the Army, yet it is beyond its province to prescribe any such rules or regulations for the guidance of civilians or to undertake to decide questions concerning the subject that are presented by civilians.

There is no Federal law now in force pertaining to the manner of displaying, hanging, or saluting the United States flag or prescribing any ceremonies that should be observed in connection therewith. In fact there are but three Federal laws on the statute books that have any bearing upon this subject, one, the act of Congress approved February 20, 1905 (33 Stat. 725), providing that a trademark can not be registered which consists of or comprises, inter alia, "the flag, coat of arms, or other insignia of the United States, or any simulation thereof"; the second, the act of Congress approved February 8, 1917 (39 Stat. 900), providing certain penalties for the desecration, mutilation, or improper use of the flag within the District of Columbia; and the third, the act of Congress approved May 16, 1918 (40 Stat. 554), providing, when the United States is at war, for the dismissal from the service of any employee or official of the United States Government who criticizes in an abusive or violent manner the flag of the United States. Several States of the Union have enacted laws which have more or less bearing upon the general subject, and it seems probable that many counties and municipalities have also passed ordinances concerning the matter to govern action within their own jurisdiction.

Warning against desecration of the American flag by aliens has been issued by the Department of Justice, which has sent the following notice to Federal attorneys and marshals:

"Any alien enemy tearing down, mutilating, abusing, or desecrating the United States flag in any way will be regarded as a danger to the public peace or safety within the meaning of regulation 12 of the proclamation of the President issued April 6, 1917, and will be subject to summary arrest and punishment."

It is the practice in the Army, each day in the year, to hoist the flag briskly at sunrise, irrespective of the condition of the weather, and to lower it slowly and ceremoniously at sunset, indicating the commencement and cessation of the activities of the day, and to display it at half staff on Memorial Day (May 30) from sunrise until noon and at full staff from noon until sunset, and also on other days specially designated for that purpose by the proper authority, the flag always being first hoisted to the top of the staff before being lowered to the half-staff position.

There has been some question among civilians concerning the exact location of a flag hung at "half staff." Theoretically, the flag is always hung on a



separate staff, much shorter than the staffs usually erected on buildings, and as a consequence a flag hung at half staff would be located much higher on the ordinary flagstaff than under the present practice, but still the custom of placing the half-staffed flag in about the center of the flagpole, whatever its length may be, is rather generally observed throughout the country and this department sees no real objection to this custom.

Considerable discussion has arisen throughout the country concerning the proper manner of hanging and displaying the flag for decorative purposes. As already stated, there is no Federal law governing the subject, and individual opinion differs as to the procedure that should or should not be followed. It has been suggested that as far as possible the hanging of the flag should be restricted to suspending it from a flagpole in the regular way; that for mere purposes of decoration the national colors should be arranged in the form of hunting and not in the form of the flag; that the flag should not be tied in a bowknot nor festooned over doorways or arches; that if it is, nevertheless, the desire to use the flag for decorative purposes, it should always be hung flat whether on the inside or the outside of buildings, with the union to the north or east, so that there will be general uniformity in the position of the union of each flag displayed; that the flag should rarely be displayed in a horizontal position or laid flat; that it should not be used as a cover over a table, desk, or box; that under no circumstances should it be hung where it can easily be contaminated or soiled, or be draped over chairs or benches to be used for seating purposes, and that no object or emblem of any kind should be placed above or upon it. This department sees no objection to flying the flag at night on civilian property, provided it is not so flown for advertising purposes.

When flags are used in connection with the unveiling of a statue or monument they should not be allowed to fall to the ground but should be carried aloft to wave out, forming a distinctive feature during the remainder of the ceremony.

When the flag is used on a bier or casket at a funeral, the stars should be placed at the head. In no case should the flag be allowed to touch the ground.

At military funerals the flag should not be buried with the casket about which it is draped, but should be removed just after the closing of the funeral ceremonies, as is the practice at burials in national cemeteries.

When a body is shipped to relatives by the War Department for a private burial, the flag which drapes the shipping case is turned over to relatives, with the remains, for use at the funeral, and may be retained by them.

It is becoming the practice throughout the country, among civilians, to display the national flag on all patriotic occasions, especially on the following days:

Lincoln's Birthday, February 12; Washington's Birthday, February 22; Mothers' Day, second Sunday in May; Memorial Day, May 30; Flag Day, June 14; Independence Day, July 4. In certain localities other special days are observed in the same manner.

In cases where the United States flag is displayed on a pole, or otherwise, along with State flags, pennants, emblems, etc., the United States flag should always be hoisted first and hung or displayed at the top; in parades the United States flag should always have the place of honor, and should never be hung or displayed with the union down except as a signal of distress at sea.

International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation above that of any other nation in time of peace. When the flags of two or more nations are to be displayed, they should be flown from separate staffs, or from separate halyards, of equal size and on the same level.

Existing regulations governing the Army provide that when officers and enlisted men pass the national flag, not incased, they will render honors as follows: If in civilian dress and covered, they will uncover, holding the head-dress opposite the left shoulder with the right hand; if uncovered, they will salute with the right-hand salute. A flag unfurled and hung in a room in which officers or enlisted men of the Army are present will be saluted by them the first time they may have occasion to pass it, but not thereafter. The hand salute is as follows:

"Raise the right hand smartly till the tip of the forefinger touches the lower part of the head-dress or forehead above the right eye, thumb and fingers extended and joined, palm to the left, forearm inclined to about 45°, hand and wrist straight; at the same time look toward the person saluted.

"Drop the arm smartly to the side."



No anthem, hymn, or musical air has been recognized by any Federal law as the national anthem, hymn, or air, but Army and Navy regulations provide that the musical composition familiarly known as the "Star Spangled Banner" shall be designated as the national air of the United States of America. It should be stated, however, that these regulations are binding only upon the personnel of the military and naval service.

Whenever the national anthem is played at any place where persons belonging to the military or naval service are present all officers and enlisted men not in formation are required to stand at attention, facing toward the music, excepting when the flag is being lowered at sunset, on which occasion they are required to face toward the flag. If in uniform, covered, they shall salute at the first note of the anthem, retaining the position of salute until the last note of the anthem. If not in uniform and covered, they are required to stand and uncover at the first note of the anthem, holding the headdress opposite the left shoulder until the last note is played, excepting in inclement weather, when the headdress may be held slightly raised. The custom of rising and remaining standing and uncovered while the Star Spangled Banner is being played has grown in favor among civilians.

Old or worn-out flags should not be used either for banners or for any secondary purpose. When a flag is in such a condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should not be cast aside nor used in any way that might be viewed as disrespectful to the national colors, but should be destroyed as a whole, privately, preferably by burning or by some other method lacking in any suggestion of irreverence or disrespect due the emblem representing our country.

It should be borne in mind that the views set forth in this circular are merely suggestive, and that it is not the intention of the department to give them out as authoritative.

P. C. HARRIS,  
*The Adjutant General.*

JANUARY 25, 1921.

Here is a resolution opposing the publication of the life of our great friend, the Kaiser. We have decided to lay this on the table. The only regret we had was that we could not lay him there, too.

Comrade ARENSBERG. We would like to lay him under the table. Here is a communication from the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic asking for recognition. We have decided to lay it on the table, on account that they can not decide among themselves.

Comrade LE VANT DODGE, of Kentucky. I rise at this point, in accordance with a notice that was given in the committee on resolutions last night by a minority, reserving the privilege of making a minority report. Such report I have in my hand. This contains the resolutions, recites they are designed for the benefit of the encampment, and, according to the privilege which the mover of a motion would have, going in the ordinary way, of moving that that be substituted for the majority report, we want to show to this encampment something of the claims which the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic have, both in the excellence of their name and in the work that they have done.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Dodge, allow the Chair to ask, Is that matter not practically disposed of by the committee?

Comrade DODGE. I think that no one will object if you will hear me just a minute.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Read the report.

Comrade DODGE. Comrades, I am going to add to what I have said, that we want to present some reasons why no other name—no name that is simply "Veterans"—would be perpetuated; that there are 20 veterans of the World War to 1 of ours. We believe in the



cause and the methods and the character of the members of this organization, in both of the organizations, but, Commander in Chief——

Comrade FRANK O. COLE, of New Jersey. I rise to a point of order. My point of order is that he should present his minority report and speak to that. He has not presented anything.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The point of order is sustained. Read the report.

(Comrade Dodge begins the reading of the report.)

Comrade JOHN McELROY, of the Potomac. I rise to a point of order. We have decided that no organization has a right to use the name of the Grand Army of the Republic without our authority.

Comrade DODGE. No; we have not.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The point of order is not sustained in this case. This is a minority report.

Comrade DODGE. I am acting under the orders of the commander in chief now in the chair.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Proceed with the report.

(Some confusion in the encampment.)

Comrade DODGE. We never can have justification for gag rule or the steam roller (reading) :

The undersigned, members of the committee on resolutions, beg leave to present a minority report in behalf of those favoring a recognition of the National Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic as one of our affiliated organizations.

We urge the adoption of the resolutions to that effect, instead of laying them on the table, as recommended by the majority of the committee. These resolutions are herewith appended.

This report of ours is made in no captious spirit, fully recognizing the fairness of the committee chairman and other members of the committee, and their desire to serve the interests of our noble order.

Respectfully submitted.

LE VANT DODGE, *Kentucky.*

JOHN C. MARTIN, *Wisconsin.*

Whereas the National Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic have been organized and incorporated for the past 15 years, having an active membership composed of lineal descendants of honorably discharged Union soldiers, sailors, and marines of the Civil War of 1861–1865, and of those who died in service; and

Whereas this organization has been doing active work in the following lines, viz, caring for the needy Civil War soldiers, their wives, and widows; cheering the sick; teaching patriotism, especially through their junior department, the children of the Grand Army of the Republic; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That in view of the laudable object and the efficient service rendered by the above-named organization, the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic do now recognize the National Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic as one of our affiliated orders; and be it further

*Resolved*, That all previous action inconsistent with this recognition be hereby repealed.

Commander in Chief, in view of the encouraging report which has come to us of steps being taken in which the Daughters of Veterans are disposed to yield some things which they were not in times past, we feel justified in neglecting to urge this upon the attention of the encampment, and so we will concur for the present in the action of the committee.

Comrade JOHN CARMICHAEL, of Illinois. Commander in Chief, this thing has come up time and time again before the departments of the various States.



The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I am told that Comrade Dodge has withdrawn his minority report.

Comrade DODGE. We have agreed to withdraw it in the interests of harmony, believing we are on the way.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The only question then is on the approval of the report of the committee, and unless I hear further objections the report will stand approved. It is approved.

Comrade IRVINE DUNGAN, of Ohio. I rise for information. I am commander of a post in southern Ohio, one of the largest in the State. We have an organization of Daughters of the Grand Army that is our auxiliary. I want to know if we are to be forbidden by the action of the encampment from recognizing that. My wife and daughters are in there; my daughters are in it yet. Sixty strong. Is there anything that this encampment can do that will prevent us from recognizing them as our local auxiliary?

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. That is a question that the Chair is not able to answer, and is not qualified to answer. The committee will proceed with their report.

Comrade JOHN CARMICHAEL, of Illinois. With your permission, I would like to state to the comrade that spoke last, if there is anything they can't do it is to allow the Daughters of the Grand Army of the Republic to be recognized. Look at the proceedings of the last national encampment and you will see what the national encampment has done, that they should not be recognized.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I will say this, because this was decided 40 years ago, the only auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic is the Woman's Relief Corps. [Applause.]

Comrade ARENSBERG. A resolution not to recognize any organization but those affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic. Laid on the table.

A communication from the soldiers' home in Nebraska asking that the inmates of the old soldiers' homes be compelled to join a post in the home, or organize one if they have none.

Comrade R. C. MARTIN, of California and Nevada. I would like that word changed in the communication. There is nobody in a soldiers' home that is an "inmate." They are "a member." They have not been indicted; they have not been before the court; they are not inmates of any institution; they are members.

Comrade ARENSBERG. I wish to say, Commander in Chief, that I am the vice president of a soldiers and sailors' home, on the executive committee, and the responsible head of the shooting match, if you want to look at it in that way, and we do not recognize the soldiers, our comrades, as inmates. They are the guests of the State of Pennsylvania.

The committee recommends that the resolution be laid on the table.

Comrade MARTIN. I am commandant of the Veterans' Home of California, and I don't like that kind of language.

Comrade COLE (secretary of the committee). Here is a communication asking the Grand Army of the Republic to recommend the enforcement of laws, and they make particular reference to the Volstead Act. The committee conclude that, while they personally are in favor of the enforcement of the Volstead Act, the Volstead Act was more or less of a political question, and therefore they resolved that it is the duty of this encampment to recommend that all



laws of the United States and the State and local governments should be strictly enforced, regardless of individuals or persons. [Applause.]

Comrade COLE. Here is a resolution and a bill. The resolution recommends the passage of a bill by Congress pensioning the blind children of veterans—the blind descendants—and this resolution was adopted recommending the passage of the bill.

(Following is the resolution:)

*Resolved*, That this encampment heartily indorse Senate bill No. 1818, a copy of which is hereto annexed.

*Resolved*, That it be referred to the committee on legislation with instruction to use their best endeavors for its passage.

(Said Senate bill No. 1818 is as follows:)

A BILL To pension blind or partially blind children of persons who served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States during the Civil War.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That from and after the approval of this act any blind or partially blind child of any person who served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States during the Civil War for ninety days or more, and was honorably discharged from such service, or, regardless of the length of service, was discharged for a disability incurred in the service and in the line of duty, shall be entitled to and shall be paid a pension at the rate of \$20 per month.

Now this is particularly interesting because it recommends—that is, the resolution asks us to recommend—that every soldiers' home give these guests, if you are to call them that, a room, one room for one man. I suppose they want a bath attached. I don't know what all fixings they want, but there is a separate room for each. If you pass this I don't know whether there is enough ground that could be had in the United States to build on.

Now, comrades, I have a resolution I will read. It is short. I will explain it to you (reading):

Whereas we recognize that there are many so-called veterans in civil life and of later wars: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this fifty-sixth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic recommend and advise that the title of the Sons of Veterans be changed to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, or to Sons of Union Veterans of the War of 1861-1865.

We do not tell them to do anything, but just recommend or advise. It seems that the Sons of Veterans would like to have our approval. We have nothing to do with the organization in their name or anything else, but they would like to have our approval for them to make a change. The Sons of Veterans is not distinctive enough. The question is, sons of what veterans? And of course they want to be recognized this way. Some advocated the use of Sons of Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic, but that would not have been right or proper because it would have been an injustice to those men who served and who are not members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Their descendants would not have been eligible. So we recommend that they adopt this name. It is up to them.

Comrade SAMUEL P. TOWN, of Pennsylvania. What name do you recommend?

Comrade ARENSBERG. Either Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War or Sons of the Veterans of the War, 1861-1865.

Comrade TOWN. I move to strike out the words "Civil War" and let it be "the War, 1861-1865."



The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is only a recommendation.

Comrade ARENSBERG. It is only a recommendation.

Comrade TOWN. My idea is the recommendation ought to go correctly.

Commander in Chief PILCHER. Comrades, this is a matter which may not seem to be very important to us. It is a question, however, of considerable importance to our sons and successors. It has been brought to the attention of the commander in chief upon various occasions during the past year and his advice has been asked as to what would be the best name for the organization now called the Sons of Veterans. After thinking over all the questions involved, it had been his judgement that it should be a short name, as short as possible, a name that should be as comprehensive as possible—and what better than “Sons of the Defenders of the Union”? [Applause.]

Comrade ARENSBERG. This was a resolution and bill introduced asking the indorsement of this encampment for the buying of a burial ground of Revolutionary soldiers situated at Bethlehem, Pa. They would like to have this made into a national military park upon the acquisition of a site at a cost not exceeding \$10,000. We concluded we are not in the land business, and as this is a local matter and probably would come more within the province of their local Congressman or Senator, we laid this on the table.

Here are two resolutions somewhat relating to the strike. I suppose you are all familiar with the fact we have had a strike, and as we don't want to go in that business anyway, we decided to lay these on the table. We will not strike.

This is a resolution saying something about correcting this history business, going into the business ourselves, something like the Confederate veterans down in the South. We have decided we won't want to go into the history business and have laid this on the table.

Here I hold in my hand a series of resolutions in regard to labor, an admirable paper and a very excellent set of resolutions, well drawn up, and all that sort of thing; but as you old boys all have retired and are not interested in labor, we likewise have laid that on the table.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I call for the reading of that paper.

(Commander in Chief Pilcher resumed the chair.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Is it the wish of the encampment that this paper be read in full?

[Cries of “No.”]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief McBRIDE. Commander in Chief, I ask to be heard on that question, and I will read it myself. I demand the right. I have the right to be heard. [Cries of “No.”]

Commander in Chief, ever since its organization the Grand Army of the Republic has been the exponent of Americanism. It has never been too cowardly to express its opinion upon any question. Political questions are, of course, properly excluded. But when it comes to a question of true, genuine Americanism, it is right and proper that the Grand Army of the Republic should express itself. You fought, my comrades, that we might not only have a united country [ap-



plause]—we not only fought that we might have a united country, but we fought that we might have a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. You did not fight——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. This was a paper that was referred to a committee. This has been considered by the committee. Their action upon it is now reported to you. It is for you to determine whether you wish the paper itself to be read before you now. What is your wish?

Those in favor of the reading will say “aye.” Those opposed will say “no.” The ayes have it. The paper will be read.

(Comrade McBride then read the resolution under consideration as follows:)

While the Grand Army of the Republic properly ignores all political questions, there is no reason why it should refrain from making its position plain on all nonpolitical questions that vitally affect our national welfare. Now is a time that calls for plain speaking on the labor question, involving the relative rights of labor, both organized and unorganized, the employers of labor, and the people at large. There can be no just solution of this question that does not recognize and protect the rights of each and all of these groups.

We recognize the dignity of labor, whether it be labor of the hands or of the head, for labor, to be of the greatest value, must be directed by intelligence. We also recognize the interdependence of capital, of employer, and of employee. Each is essential to the success of the other. Each has its rights, and each should be protected in those rights, and neither should be allowed to tyrannize over the other.

At this time a situation exists which threatens the wellbeing of millions, growing out of the existence of the coal miners' strike and the threatened strike by the employees of the railroads. Untold suffering is threatened by the obstinacy on one side or the other of those interested in the mining of coal, while the paralyzing of commerce and the starvation of millions is threatened through similar obstinacy of those controlling and directing and of those employed in operating the railroads. The issues involved in both are purely selfish. They relate only to questions of dollars and cents, regardless of the interests of the helpless and dependent millions who must have coal or freeze, and we must have food or starve. The interests of these millions are paramount; they dwarf into insignificance any question involved in either of the strikes above referred to. We recognize the right of those engaged in labor to organize for mutual protection and assistance, and to promote and advance their mutual interests. We recognize, however, the right of all men to work, whether they are or are not members of any particular organization. This we hold is an inalienable right of every American citizen. Any denial of this right is un-American. We recognize the right of every man to quit work at any time and for any reason, subject to his liability to answer in damages if in so doing he violates a contract or otherwise injures another or others. We deny the right of any man or any body of men, organized or unorganized, to arbitrarily interfere with any person who wants to work at any lawful labor at any time or under any circumstances when he and his would-be employer are agreed.

We deny the right of any man who has abandoned his work to interfere with or try to prevent another from taking the place he has abandoned, and from doing the work he has refused to do. Such conduct is destructive of the unquestionable right of every free man.

We especially and emphatically deny the right of any man or any body of men, whether organized or unorganized, to threaten to use or to use violence in any attempt to prevent any man or any number of men from engaging in any lawful and honest occupation. That exhibition of brutality and savagery that recently shocked the civilized world and disgraced our neighboring State of Illinois illustrates the danger of permitting such interference. Neither excuse nor palliation of that butchery can grow out of the fact that the coal miners of the country were on a strike. The men who were murdered were merely exercising their rights as American citizens when they insisted on working and mining coal on the land of their employers.

We denounce as criminal a strike by the employees of any great public-service corporation, such as railroads or street railroads, or a strike by the



employees of any great industry upon which the existence of the great mass of the people depends, such as our coal-mining industry, that takes no account of the public suffering that may thereby be caused. Such a situation condemns those who are responsible therefor. For a purely selfish interest they inflict harm on millions. Whoever is to blame for such a strike should be held criminally responsible and should be severely punished. If either side claims that wrong has been done or is being done or threatened by the other side, there should be a tribunal to try the question of the alleged wrong or threatened wrong, with power to impose adequate punishment on whoever is found to be at fault. A strike in such cases furnishes no remedy, while, in addition to the loss of time and money which is inevitable, it is reasonably certain to lead to violence, destruction of property, and murder.

I move that the action of the committee on resolutions be not concurred in, and that this memorial be adopted.

Comrade COLE. I wish to state in behalf of the committee I think every member of the committee heartily indorses every word and every line of that most admirable paper, and it was the entire wish of every member of that delegation that some political party should make that their platform and go before the American people and fight the question out. But we did not believe that the Grand Army of the Republic was engaged in that particular business, and we therefore thought, while we indorsed the paper and believed it true, that it was not a part of our province to take any action. Therefore, we concluded to lay it upon the table.

Comrade W. S. TILTON, of Oklahoma. I want to say a few words here. I have not bothered this encampment with any speeches. But I am sincerely glad that the senior vice commander had the nerve, the splendid patriotic courage, to insist upon the reading of this resolution. My God, if we are not interested in denouncing savagery in Illinois, if we are not interested in denouncing the men who have challenged this Government to save itself if it can, what are we interested in? Why don't we disband and go home and keep our mouths shut? I want to say this, that wherever this Government is denounced every man of the Grand Army of the Republic should feel a vital interest in meeting the foes. We did in 1861. The Government was challenged and we arose and defeated in the course of four years the challengers. The situation is no better to-day, or at least for several months it has been no better, than the situation that confronted us immediately before the fall of Sumter. I say, pass this resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I believe you are now ready to vote, without further expenditure of time, upon the consideration of this resolution. I therefore will put the question. All those in favor of the substitute offered by Comrade McBride, that the action of the committee on resolutions be not concurred in and that the resolution be adopted, will say "Aye." All opposed will say "No." The motion is carried. Now the question comes upon the original motion, as amended. All who favor the adoption of the resolution will say "aye." All opposed, "no." The ayes have it.

Comrade COLE. (reading) :

The fifty-sixth national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic has been so hospitably treated, so generously received, that they find it difficult to find language that suitably expresses their profound gratitude.

The State of Iowa in the person of their chief executive, the city of Des Moines by their mayor, and the good people of this, the fairest city of the West, have all entertained us bountifully. Automobiles and street cars have carried us up and down to our perfect comfort.



In the many cities we have visited there has been no one where our welcome has been more happily displayed than here in Des Moines. We will carry back to our homes a most pleasant recollection of the happy week we have spent in the thoroughly American city of Des Moines.

As the State of Iowa was one of the most prompt in furnishing soldiers to the Union Army, so now do we find the State of Iowa eager to welcome the survivors of that great struggle and deeply grateful to those who saved the Union and made our great Nation possible.

God bless the State of Iowa!

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, I believe it is in the heart of everyone to take a little trouble to show their appreciation of the hospitality that has been extended to us. All in favor of the resolutions please stand on their feet. It is unanimous.

Comrade COLE. Comrades, three cheers for Des Moines!

(The encampment, led by Comrade Cole, gave three rousing cheers.)

Comrade COLE. I move you, sir, that the report of the committee on resolutions be adopted as a whole.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is now moved and seconded that the report of the committee on resolutions, as amended, be adopted.

Comrade JOHN CARMICHAEL, of Illinois. Commander in Chief, I introduced a resolution here. For my information I desire to ascertain if the committee received the resolution introduced by me. Nothing has been heard of it from this committee on resolutions. If the resolution went astray, Commander in Chief, I can repeat word for word what was in the resolution, and I would like to see the resolution adopted. I believe the majority or two-thirds of the comrades present here would vote for the resolution.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What is the subject? What is the topic?

Comrade CARMICHAEL. "Resolved, that the commander in chief be instructed to notify any organization using the words 'Grand Army of the Republic'—"

Comrade COLE. We adopted that resolution.

Comrade CARMICHAEL. I have not heard it. If it is adopted, all right. I have not heard it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The statement is made that it has already been considered and adopted by the encampment. There is one other committee yet to report, that appointed this morning for conference between the Daughters of Veterans and the Daughters of the Grand Army. Let us hear from that committee. Comrade Gardner.

Past Commander in Chief WASHINGTON GARDNER. Your committee waited upon the Daughters of Veterans at their session and met the committee that they appointed for the purpose of reconciling the differences between the two organizations. The other organization was not present, had no committee present, but your committee got in touch with them through the telephone. Comrade King used the telephone and can tell you the conversation there. In brief, the Daughters of Veterans are ready to reconcile—go half way or even further—and do away with these differences. Comrade King will state what he learned by phone.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. I got in touch with Miss Parke, who is the retiring commander in chief. I referred to



our visit last night and I asked her whether they had appointed a committee to confer with the committee of the Daughters of Veterans. She said they had not, that nothing could be done this year. "Well," I said, "we are the committee appointed by the commander in chief to wait upon the organization of both parties and try to compose your differences." "Well," she said, "nothing can be done this year and no one here has any authority to appoint a committee to meet you." "Then," I said, "that should be our report?" "Yes." That is the substance of the conversation.

Past Commander in Chief GARDNER. I move that the committee be discharged.

Comrade J. W. WILLETT, of Iowa. I move, as a substitute, that the committee be continued for the incoming administration.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You hear the motion, that the report of the committee be accepted and that the committee be discharged. You hear the substitute, that the report of the committee be accepted and the committee continued for the coming year. First the substitute. Those in favor of the substitute will say "aye." Opposed, "no." The substitute is accepted. It is not necessary to take your time for any further vote.

Is there anything else to be brought before this encampment?

Comrade WILFRED A. WETHERBEE, of Massachusetts. Last year this encampment passed a resolution requesting or rather inviting—possibly a better word—our Woman's Relief Corps to do away with or rather adopt again the placing of the flag upon the altar. That question has been asked by some of the members, and from the high authority of that organization they state that they never have been advised of the action of this encampment, and I would therefore make this remark and suggest that the incoming adjutant general notify the Woman's Relief Corps of our wish in that respect, that they may know what the sentiment of the Grand Army was in that particular.

Senior Vice Commander in Chief McBRIDE. For the information of Comrade Wetherbee, I will say to him that all the relief corps of which I have any knowledge, being informed of our wishes in that respect, have complied with them. I know the corps at Indianapolis have complied.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. For the further information of the encampment, the commander in chief will state that he personally brought to the attention of the national officers of the Woman's Relief Corps the action in question. At the time that he did this he found that it had not been brought to their attention before, which doubtless was the reason why they so informed Comrade Wetherbee.

Is there any other matter to be brought before us? If not, we will proceed with the installation of officers for the incoming year. Comrade Burton has charge of that.

Before proceeding, I take the opportunity of expressing the thanks of the commander in chief to my Comrade Webster for his services as officer of the day during this encampment, and to our comrades, the officer of the guard and his guards, for their efficient labors.

Past Commander in Chief CHAS. G. BURTON. Comrades, we propose now to install the officers elect, for which we would be pleased

to have as many of you remain as possibly can. Those of you who can not remain will please retire now so we will not be interrupted. Comrades will please come to order and not converse among themselves. I appoint Comrade John B. Inman, from Illinois, as officer of the day for the purpose of this installation. The adjutant will please read the names of the five elective officers.

(Adj. Gen. William C. Peckham read the names.)

Officer of the Day, you will present these comrades and line them up in the order of their rank, commencing on the right.

(The three ranking officers responded, the surgeon general and the chaplain in chief elect not being present.)

Commander Willett, are you ready to announce any of your appointments?

Commander in Chief-elect J. W. WILLETT. Comrade J. P. Risley as adjutant general, Comrade Stowits as quartermaster general, the present custodian as custodian, and Comrade Hosley as chief of staff.

(The oath of office was then administered to the following officers elect and officers appointed:)

Commander in chief, James W. Willett, of Iowa.

Senior vice commander in chief, C. S. Brodbent, of Texas.

Junior vice commander in chief, C. V. Gardner, of South Dakota.

Adjutant general, John P. Risley, of Iowa.

Quartermaster general, Cola D. R. Stowits, of New York.

Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records, Samuel P. Town, of Philadelphia.

Chief of staff, George A. Hosley, of Massachusetts.

The INSTALLING OFFICER. Comrade Dave Palmer, of Iowa, please pin the badge of the commander in chief upon Comrade Willett. Comrade John R. King, please perform that duty for the senior vice. Comrade Pilcher, will you please pin it upon the junior vice. Cola, I am going to pin this upon you myself in memory of old days.

(Badges pinned upon the several officers installed.)

Comrades, it is unnecessary to call to your minds the duties of your respective offices. Each and every one of you have grown old in the service of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I doubt not that each and every one of you are already familiar with the duties of the offices to which you have been elected and appointed. With the exception of Commander in Chief Willett, you will please be seated.

Comrade Willett, your comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, by a unanimous vote, have elected you commander in chief of the organization for the ensuing year. That selection was not made, Comrade Willett, because you were a comrade of the Department of Iowa, but because of the fact for many years you have participated in the councils of our organization, and the boys, one and all, recognized your eminent ability and qualifications for that position.

For many years, Judge Willett, you have been upon the bench; and if God Almighty had not given you a judicial temperament you have already acquired it, and thereby you will be able to preside at our encampment, to rule with fairness and with justice. As to the other duties that will devolve upon you, we have the full assurance that each and every one of them will be faithfully performed.



Judge Willett, in placing the baton of a marshalship in your hands the boys have been prompted by an appreciation of your merits and by their love and affection for you; and when at the end of your term you shall have again taken your place in the ranks we all know that it will be said of Past Commander in Chief Comrade Willett:

None knew him but to love him;  
None named him but to praise.

Comrades (calling the encampment up by the gavel), salute your commander in chief.

(Salute given and returned.)

Comrade Willett, here is the emblem of authority. May God bless you. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief J. W. WILLETT. Comrade Past Commander in Chief Burton, as the senior performing the duty of installation; my distinguished and esteemed Comrade Past Commander in Chief Pilcher, who has just made his exit; and comrades of this encampment, I say to you that this is the proudest moment of my life. I pledged you upon yesterday to serve you with all of my power, strength, and endurance, and the best of my ability, and I now renew that pledge, given in the fullness of my heart. I need not add anything to what I have already said. I prefer to leave that matter for further consideration in order that I may demonstrate to the best of that ability that I have carried out the pledge, which shall be my earnest and faithful desire to so do.

We have had one of the most splendid encampments that it has ever been my fortune to attend, and I doubt very much whether in the future it will ever be surpassed; but I hope that in the coming encampment of a year hence, in the city of Milwaukee, in the Department of Wisconsin, that we may have the good fortune to equal it.

I thank you, comrades, from the bottom of my heart for this evidence of your confidence and esteem.

Is there any further business? I see the distinguished past commander in chief of New York on his feet. Have you anything to offer, my comrade?

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER. I have this to say in explanation of a resolution to be offered which I am sure will meet the approval of every comrade here. With the tax that comes upon our physical energies, there are a good many of us who need the helping hand—no one among you all more than I do personally. But there was a little omission in the matter of thanks which, if the committee had thought of it, would certainly have been embodied. The duties of the office of quartermaster general are a mighty sight more exacting and onerous than the average comrade has any idea of. Long years ago the Department of New York requested from Judge Nevius, then our commander in chief, to appoint one of the most beloved of comrades, Comrade Stowits, of Buffalo, and he has met the approval of every administration up to the present time, and Commander in Chief Willett has just extended the approval for his term by reappointing him for another term as quartermaster general, and we are proud of it in New York. But what I arose to say is that in the very impaired condition of Comrade Stowits—and the doctors have fought for his life since we have been here in

Des Moines; had to pump nitroglycerin into his heart to keep him among us—he has had a volunteer guard and assistant, a splendid representative of the younger manhood, whom Stowits is proud to recognize as his son-in-law. I refer to our young friend, Mr. R. J. Cant, of New York, who has served as eyes and legs for Stowits and has done a great deal of work, of which you have been the beneficiaries, in the arrangement of things and saving our old comrade all exertion possible. So, sir, I am on my feet to move a simple resolution of thanks to this young man for the unceasing and continuous interest he is taking in the Grand Army of the Republic and for what he has done for our comrades.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. Second the motion, Commander in Chief.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The young gentleman alluded to is asked to stand up in order that they may see him.

(Mr. Cant stands). [Applause.]

You have heard the motion. Those of you that are in favor of the motion made by Past Commander in Chief James Tanner will signify the same by saying “aye.” I do not call the contrary. The motion prevails.

Now, comrades, we are about to close this encampment.

Comrade R. N. TAYLOR, of California and Nevada. I would like to make a motion. It seems to me that we ought to recognize these Boy Scouts of Des Moines.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. My comrade, that is a happy suggestion.

Comrade TAYLOR. I am a scout master. I have been with the scouts for the last 11 years. I move that we give them a vote of thanks.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It has been moved and seconded, comrades, that the Boy Scouts of the city of Des Moines be recognized with favor and that their action during this encampment be approved and commended; that we thank them for their splendid service during the encampment. You that are of that mind will say “aye.” Contrary, “no.” It is so ordered.

Past Commander in Chief JOHN R. KING. May I make an announcement? If there are any comrades here who are interested in the officers' retirement bill, there are copies of the hearing before the military committee in the hall. You can have a copy of it.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, just a moment. There is an important matter. I trust that the members of the council of administration are all here, but if they are not and you know of any that are absent, during the interim I wish you would call their attention to the fact that a meeting of the council of administration will be held on the mezzanine floor in the Hotel Fort Des Moines, in what they call the ballroom, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, giving us an opportunity for luncheon.

Is there any further business to come before the encampment?

There being no further business to be brought before this encampment, I now declare the Fifty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic adjourned without date.

(Whereupon, at 12.55 o'clock p. m., the encampment stood adjourned.)





# REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND OF COMMITTEES

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## REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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INDIANAPOLIS, IND., *August 2, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: I respectfully submit my report as senior vice commander in chief for the current year.

The duties assigned to that officer by rules and regulations are few. Through the kindness of the commander in chief I have, however, been assigned to the performance of several duties, which to me have been felt to be more privileges than duties. I acknowledge a sense of obligation to him for being permitted to thus serve the Grand Army of the Republic.

Soon after the close of the national encampment I was requested by the commander in chief to represent him at the annual convention of the American Legion, held at Kansas City, Mo., October 30 and 31, and November 1 and 2, and I did so. I was courteously received and entertained by the national officers of that organization. I was invited to occupy and occupied the platform with distinguished guests from our own and foreign countries, including General Pershing, Marshal Foch, and the commanders in chief of the armies of Belgium and Italy, with their staffs, and Admiral Beatty, of the British Navy. As the representative of the commander in chief, I also addressed the convention and occupied a seat on the reviewing stand during the parade. During my stay in Kansas City I was the recipient of many courtesies from our past surgeon general, Dr. C. W. Burrell.

Together with the commander in chief, I attended the funeral of our late past commander in chief, William A. Ketcham.

April 27 I attended the dedication of the Grant Monument at Washington, and with the commander in chief and junior vice commander in chief participated in the services of its dedication.

I was detailed by the commander in chief to attend the department encampments of Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois. The conflict in dates of many of these encampments, however, made it impossible for me to fill this detail as to some of these departments. I did, however, attend the Nebraska encampment, which was held May 9, 10, and 11; the Kansas encampment, which was held May 16 and 17, and the Minnesota encampment, which was held on June 6 and 7. I would have been able to attend the Wisconsin encampment, except for the fact that the fatal illness of Comrade Watrous, assistant adjutant general, delayed notice to me until it was too late. I also attended the department encampment of Indiana. In all of these encampments I was courteously received and



entertained, and I wish to acknowledge especially the courtesies I received at the hands of Comrade Herman Bross, assistant adjutant general of the Department of Nebraska, the department commander of that department, W. J. Blystone, and the governor of that State; also Comrade Theodore Gardner, of Lawrence, Kans., past department commander of the Department of Kansas; and Comrade W. W. Dennison, of Topeka, the assistant adjutant general, who was elected and is now the department commander of Kansas. The Kansas encampment was saddened by the death of Department Commander George P. Washburn, which occurred on the first day of the encampment. I acknowledge also especial obligations to Past Commanders in Chief Ell Torrance and S. P. Van Sant, of Minneapolis, and Comrade Silas H. Towler, commandant of the Soldiers' Home at Minneapolis, for the manner in which I was entertained by them.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT W. McBRIDE,  
*Senior Vice Commander in Chief.*



ROBERT W. McBRIDE  
Senior Vice Commander in Chief





HENRY A. JOHNSON  
Junior Vice Commander in Chief

## REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., *August 2, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: I have the honor to present my report of the duties performed by me as junior vice commander in chief of the G. A. R. for the current year, as follows:

I was present with the commander in chief and other comrades of the G. A. R. attending the interment of the body of the unknown soldier of the World War brought from France and placed in a tomb in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Va., on November 11, 1921.

As the representative of the commander in chief, I attended the reception given in honor of the Hon. Clifford Ireland, the commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans, United States of America, and Mrs. Margaret P. Stephens, the president of the national auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans, United States of America, held at the Hotel Raleigh, in the city of Washington, D. C., on January 10, 1922. There was a large attendance of the sons and daughters of Union veterans as well as of comrades of the G. A. R., and members of other patriotic organizations at this reception and the occasion was one of much pleasure to all who were present.

I attended the fifty-fourth annual encampment of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., held February 14-15, 1922, as one of its members and also represented the commander in chief, who could not be present.

I took part in the exercise attending the breaking of ground for the construction of the monument to Gen. George G. Meade in the Botanic Garden at Washington, D. C., on March 28, 1922, being in command of the flag bearers and guard of honor composed of comrades who had served in organizations from the State of Pennsylvania in the Army of the Potomac during the War of the Rebellion, and I had the honor of presenting the colors in the exercises. The services were worthy of the occasion, splendidly conducted, and elicited the admiration and applause of the large assemblage present notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, which prevented many more from being present.

I was present and assisted the commander in chief in the ritual service of the G. A. R. at the dedication of the memorial to Gen. Ulysses S. Grant in the Botanic Garden at Washington, D. C., on April 27, 1922.

I participated in the parade of the G. A. R. and other patriotic organizations on the morning of Memorial Day, May 30, 1922, in the city of Washington, D. C., serving as assistant marshal to the chief marshal, Comrade John L. Clem, and after the parade I ac-



accompanied the commander in chief to the Arlington National Cemetery, where very impressive services were held under the direction of Comrade H. L. Deam, commander of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., and included an eloquent address by the commander in chief of the G. A. R. As the chairman of the reception committee at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day, I had the honor of receiving the President of the United States, Mrs. Harding, and other members of the party accompanying the President and escorting them to their seats. At the close of the services at Arlington National Cemetery I accompanied the commander in chief to Potomac Park, in the city of Washington, and attended the dedication of the memorial to the illustrious Abraham Lincoln, serving as a member of the guard of honor.

As the representative of the commander in chief, I attended the fortieth annual encampment of the Department of West Virginia, held at Moundsville, W. Va., May 16-19, 1922, and also attended the fifty-sixth annual encampment of the Department of Pennsylvania, held at Altoona, Pa., June 4-10, 1922. At these two encampments there was a large attendance of the comrades of the G. A. R., as well as of members of allied patriotic organizations. I can not speak too highly in commendation of the splendid manner in which the business sessions of the two encampments were conducted under the able and efficient supervision of their presiding officers.

The camp fires and other patriotic meetings held by the members of the various organizations, in which the patriotic citizens took an active part, were very interesting and aroused the most fervent patriotism and enthusiasm on the part of all who had the good fortune to be present. I delivered five addresses at Moundsville, W. Va., one of which was to the students of the high school and one to the members of the Rotary Club of the city. I also delivered two addresses to the patriotic organizations and citizens of Altoona, Pa., and attended a reception at the Penn-Alto Hotel on the evening of June 7, given to the national officers of the various patriotic organizations. I shall always bear in pleasant remembrance my attendance at these two encampments and ever appreciate the kindly welcome, hospitality, and courtesies extended to me by the members of the G. A. R. and all other patriotic organizations as well as by the citizens of Moundsville, W. Va., and Altoona, Pa.

I regret very much that I did not receive the official notice of my assignment to visit the encampments of the Departments of Maryland and Delaware until after these encampments had been held. It would have been a pleasure to me to have been present at both of them.

In addition to my activities as stated, I attended a large number of gatherings of the patriotic organizations of the city of Washington and had the honor of addressing them. I have been enabled to render service to some of my comrades of different departments of the G. A. R. and to the widows of comrades in expediting the settlement of their claims in the departments of the General Government in Washington; it has been a pleasure to me to thus aid them, and it will always be a pleasure to me to serve my comrades and the widows of comrades in like manner to the extent of my ability.

I am profoundly grateful to my comrades of the fifty-fifth national encampment for the high honor conferred upon me in my

election to the office of junior vice commander in chief of the G. A. R., and have endeavored to prove myself worthy of the honor, and have a full appreciation of the respect, confidence, and good will of my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I esteem it as a high honor to be officially associated with our worthy, zealous, and efficient commander in chief, Dr. Lewis S. Pilcher, for whom I have the highest admiration for his excellent qualities of heart and mind. I also have heartfelt gratitude for the kindness and courtesies extended to me during my term of office by the officials and comrades of the G. A. R. and members of all allied and associated patriotic organizations, and can truly say that it has been one of the happiest years of my life since I had the honor of being received as a member of the G. A. R., in November, 1870.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

HENRY A. JOHNSON,  
*Junior Vice Commander in Chief.*



## REPORT OF THE SURGEON GENERAL.

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BOISE, IDAHO, *August 9, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: The functions of the surgeon general of the Grand Army of the Republic have long since ceased to be those of an executive or administrative officer.

Quite rarely are the functions of a department medical director those of a medical man.

It is becoming more and more rare that the titular surgeon of a post is a medical man, and even then his duties are not those of a physician and surgeon.

I have received but a single report from a department medical director. That one, by an intelligent physician, contained next to nothing which would interest the national encampment.

The question then arises: Can a surgeon general be of service to the order and to his comrades? If he can be, how, in what manner, and to what extent can he be of service?

We have been fortunate during the past year in having as a commander in chief a physician and surgeon who was alive to the possibilities for service to the order of his knowledge as a physician by giving to the comrades such instruction as his limited time and opportunities would allow for the living such a life physically as would tend to prolong the lives of the individual comrades.

If, then, the successors in office of the present incumbent have the time, physical ability, and disposition to do what in them lies, they might be of great service to the individual comrades before whom they could appear, and thus be of service to the order if they were delegated by the commander in chief to make official visitations to department encampments in such areas as hold their encampments on such dates as would make it possible for him to attend them for this purpose. It is well known to most department officers that when two or more widely separated departments have assigned dates for their encampments in the same week, it would be physically impossible for the commander in chief to visit them all in person; and the same would hold true if these encampments were held at dates too widely separated. If each department were to select a week different from all the others, it would be physically impossible for him to visit each of them; and, on the other hand, if all were to meet during the same week, he could not well visit more than two of them.

He must, therefore, make many visitations by a proxy or proxies. If he were to assign any portion of this duty to the surgeon general, to that extent the surgeon general could render a great service to the comrades who were present at the encampment and through them to the members of their posts by giving them instruction in the art of prolonging their lives by diet, regimen, and such calisthenics as would best serve this purpose. I am satisfied that I was enabled to render such service, which was highly appreciated by the comrades who were present, while serving the commander in chief as his proxy in visitations at encampments.

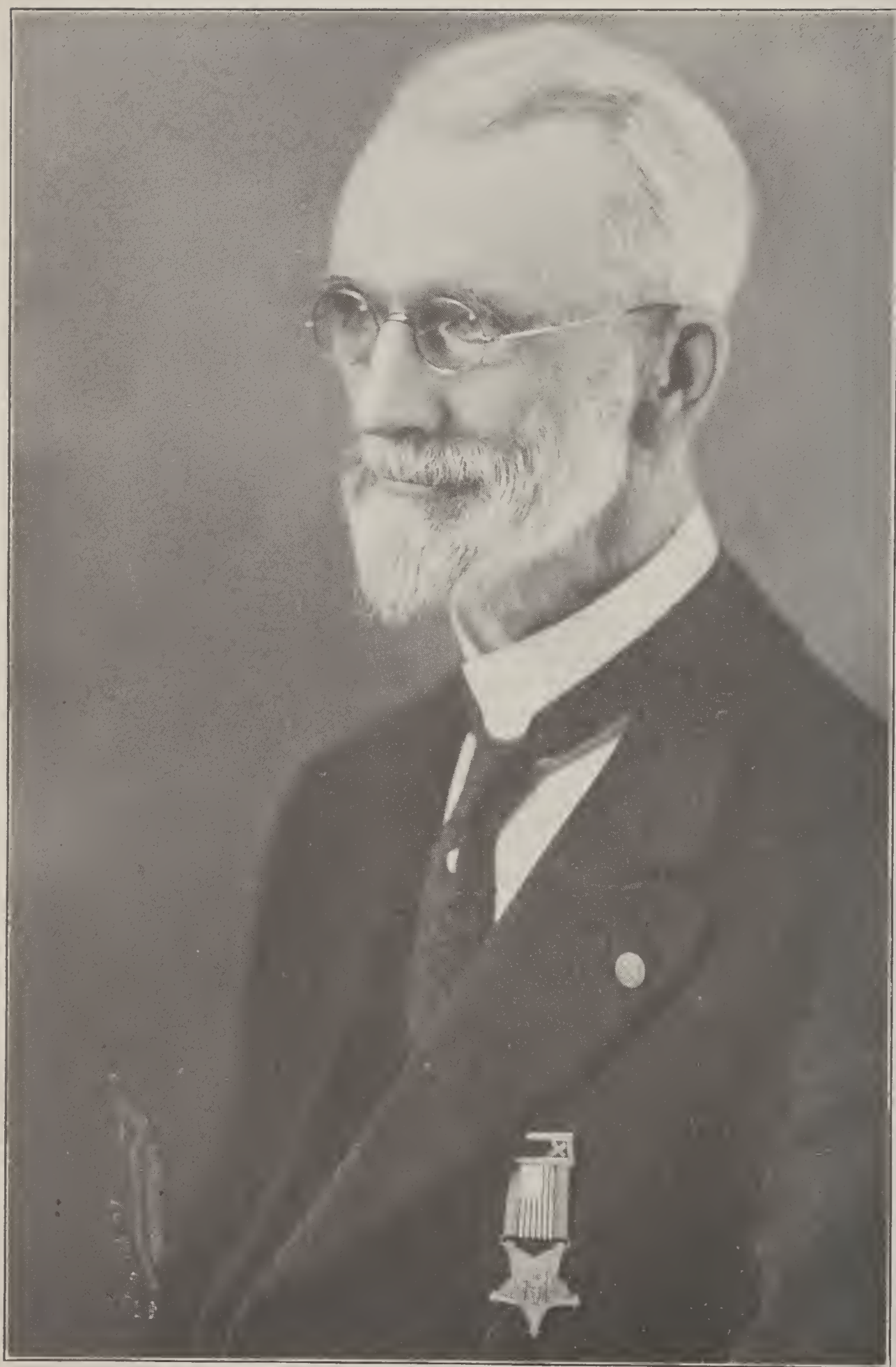
Respectfully submitted.

MARSHALL W. WOOD,  
*Surgeon General.*



MARSHALL W. WOOD  
Surgeon General





REV. GEORGE B. SMITH  
Chaplain in Chief

## REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., *August 10, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: The unexpected and unsolicited sometimes takes place. Coming events do not invariably cast their shadows before them. It was a surprise, though not an unwelcome and unappreciated surprise, when the daily press announced a name identical with my own as the name of the chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic for the year included in this report. Later two past commanders in chief, Ell Torrance and S. R. Van Sant, and a past adjutant general and past junior vice commander in chief, S. H. Towler, invited the chaplain in chief elect to meet them in the presence of guests in the parlors of the woman's building of the Minnesota Soldiers' Home. After enjoying a delightful literary and musical program presented by the ladies of the home, the officers in a pleasing manner lectured the chaplain in chief elect and put the official badge on my breast. From that moment I was not only an actual chaplain in chief ready for service, but there came to me a deeper sense of the honor and of the responsibility of the office to which I was elected and into which I was inducted.

In the preparation of this report I realize what the chaplain in chief realized a score of years ago that because of incomplete department reports and no reports, the report would be a partial and inadequate report. I submit the statistics as far as reported. February 10 a letter and blanks were sent to the chaplain of each department with a return address. July 21 a letter was sent to every chaplain from whom no report was received. Increasing age and feebleness of the comrades and the weakness of many posts will account for the major part of the failures in reporting. Of the 44 departments, 27 have reported.

The reports received show that 54 veterans preached on Memorial Sabbath, and 133 veterans delivered addresses on Memorial Day. The small part taken by the ministerial comrades does not indicate that they are especially superannuated, but that there are few remaining. Some departments have no clergymen to serve as chaplains.

The school, the Relief Corps, the Sons and the Daughters of Veterans, the American Legion and other organizations, and the citizens generally are taking a greater part in the memorial services. We are happy to receive this fact as an evidence that the graves of the soldiers will not be neglected nor their services forgotten. A greater sacredness and reverence are apparent as the passing years show the thinning ranks of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. Many graves remain unmarked.

In addition to social functions during the year it was my privilege to be present at the encampment of my own Department of Minnesota and discharge the duties of the department chaplain,



absent on account of illness. Also, requested by the adjutant general, I represented the commander in chief at the Department of South Dakota and made an address. It was a pleasure to have a part in such an enthusiastic body of comrades supported by a Relief Corps so large and even more enthusiastic.

This report has a touch of sadness in announcing the death of the Rev. Alexander J. Hood, chaplain of the Department of Wisconsin, April 7, 1922.

Comrades, in these days when all classes are needed in conserving the best ideals of the Nation, is there any class to which the people may turn for more worthy examples of duty than to those men who wore the blue, and of whom so few remain? As shattered commands sometimes saved the day and changed threatening defeat into victory, may not we who remain recognize a special call to lift up and bear aloft the banner of righteousness in the name of the Lord of Hosts that those who follow us now and hereafter may ever rejoice in a stainless flag, and dwell in a Nation whose God is Jehovah.

I desire to express my gratitude to the national officers and to all others for assistance and cooperation.

	Number.
Posts in departments reported.....	2, 946
Posts reporting memorial services.....	1, 502

#### MEMORIAL SABBATH SERVICES.

Posts attending services.....	956
Sermons preached to posts.....	913
Sermons preached by veterans.....	54
Sermons preached by Sons of Veterans.....	165
Comrades present at such services.....	12, 230
W. R. C. participating with posts at such service.....	427
Members of W. R. C. attending such services.....	17, 358
Camps of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	272
Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	4, 844
Tents of Daughters of Veterans attending such services.....	51
Daughters of Veterans attending such services.....	1, 185

#### MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES.

Posts observing Memorial Day services.....	1, 044
Comrades participating in Memorial Day services.....	14, 908
W. R. C. participating in Memorial Day services.....	470
Members of W. R. C. participating in Memorial Day services.....	17, 695
Camps of Sons of Veterans participating in Memorial Day services.....	174
Sons of Veterans participating.....	11, 447
Tents of Daughters of Veterans participating.....	49
Daughters of Veterans participating.....	958
Cemeteries in which graves were decorated.....	4, 813
Graves decorated.....	266, 825
Graves unmarked by headstones.....	3, 471
Public schools engaging in Memorial Day services.....	2, 766
Pupils participating.....	231, 868
Other organizations participating.....	1, 801
Addresses delivered to posts on Memorial Day.....	852
Addresses delivered by veterans.....	133
Addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans.....	146
Posts having burial plots.....	544

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

GEO. B. SMITH,  
Chaplain in Chief.



WILLIAM C. PECKHAM  
Adjutant General





THOMAS J. McCONEKEY  
Assistant Adjutant General

## REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., *August 10, 1922.*

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
*Commander in chief, G. A. R.*

COMMANDER: The close of my year of service as adjutant general brings the duty of making a report to you of the changes in the Grand Army of the Republic during that time and its condition at the present time.

The reports of the assistant adjutant generals for December 31, 1921, show a membership in good standing of 85,676, and a net loss of 7,554. The details of the changes during the year are as follows:

### Gains:

By muster.....	1, 650	
By transfer.....	1, 343	
By reinstatements .....	2, 490	
		5, 483

### Losses:

By death.....	8, 625	
By honorable discharge.....	217	
By transfer .....	855	
By suspension .....	2, 008	
By dishonorable discharge.....	3	
By delinquent reports and surrender of charters.....	1, 339	
		13, 047
Net loss.....		7, 564

Members in good standing Dec. 31, 1921.....	85, 676
Posts in good standing Dec. 31, 1921.....	4, 240
Loss of members during the year.....	7, 554
Total number remaining suspended.....	1, 443
Number dropped during the year.....	96
Number of posts that surrendered charters.....	192
Number of posts mustered.....	24
Expended in relief, 22 departments reporting.....	\$22, 614. 70
Members and families aided, 11 departments.....	422
Others aided, 9 departments.....	147

A comparison of the figures for this year with those of the previous year is interesting. The total of gains for this year is 357 less than those of last year, but the total of losses this year is 2,875 less than those of a year ago. The loss by death is 676 less, by suspension 1,263 less, and by delinquent reports and surrender of charters 936 less than from the same causes the previous year. This shows that the comrades, though fewer in numbers, are still carrying on and do not intend to give up till death calls them away. That 1,650 comrades were received by muster, although no special effort was made by the national officers for recruiting from the large number of veterans not in the order, is a very creditable result. Our comrades are watchful for the good of the order.



*Consolidated report of posts and membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, showing gains and losses for year ending December 31, 1921.*

Departments.	Dec. 31, 1920.		Dec. 31, 1921.		Posts.		Members.	
	Posts.	Members.	Posts.	Members.	Gain.	Loss.	Gain.	Loss.
Alabama.....	3	50	3	47	.....	.....	4	7
Arizona.....	4	65	4	55	.....	.....	.....	10
Arkansas.....	12	257	11	238	.....	1	24	43
California and Nevada.....	92	4,835	92	4,709	.....	.....	582	708
Colorado and Wyoming.....	48	1,298	46	1,174	.....	2	81	205
Connecticut.....	56	1,342	54	1,200	.....	2	13	155
Delaware.....	12	180	11	165	.....	1	.....	15
Florida.....	23	687	23	674	.....	.....	84	97
Georgia and South Carolina.....	7	114	6	104	.....	1	11	21
Idaho.....	17	356	16	334	.....	1	19	41
Illinois.....	326	6,868	317	6,426	2	11	551	993
Indiana.....	220	5,949	208	5,543	.....	12	445	851
Iowa.....	254	4,930	236	4,433	.....	18	198	695
Kansas.....	230	4,758	235	4,395	6	1	290	645
Kentucky.....	42	485	43	465	5	4	65	85
Louisiana and Mississippi.....	19	239	16	224	.....	3	3	18
Maine.....	102	1,580	101	1,434	4	5	61	207
Maryland.....	43	774	43	761	.....	.....	99	112
Massachusetts.....	189	5,356	188	4,698	.....	1	82	740
Michigan.....	212	4,000	197	3,386	.....	15	185	799
Minnesota.....	126	1,836	117	1,678	.....	9	91	249
Missouri.....	136	2,765	132	2,608	.....	4	175	332
Montana.....	13	254	13	240	.....	.....	26	40
Nebraska.....	159	2,060	154	1,887	1	6	95	268
New Hampshire.....	59	820	59	731	.....	.....	22	111
New Jersey.....	86	1,644	83	1,496	.....	3	54	202
New Mexico.....	7	70	7	68	.....	.....	3	5
New York.....	459	8,795	438	8,181	.....	21	637	1,251
North Dakota.....	16	155	16	150	.....	.....	.....	5
Ohio.....	413	10,241	388	9,468	1	26	625	1,398
Oklahoma.....	44	771	41	804	5	8	172	139
Oregon.....	62	1,538	58	1,440	.....	4	121	219
Pennsylvania.....	416	9,122	408	8,336	.....	8	244	1,030
Potomac.....	11	686	8	593	.....	3	54	147
Rhode Island.....	22	604	22	544	.....	.....	18	78
South Dakota.....	55	592	51	529	.....	4	24	87
Tennessee.....	24	435	20	384	.....	4	26	77
Texas.....	10	234	10	213	.....	.....	21	42
Utah.....	5	134	5	129	.....	.....	20	25
Vermont.....	76	1,003	72	880	.....	4	25	148
Virginia and North Carolina.....	18	263	18	252	.....	.....	3	14
Washington and Alaska.....	75	1,948	75	1,815	.....	.....	33	166
West Virginia.....	26	659	22	475	.....	4	36	220
Wisconsin.....	157	2,701	153	2,357	5	9	161	505
Total.....	4,411	93,532	4,240	85,676	29	195	5,483	13,205

The work of the adjutant general's office has this year been more strenuous than in most years. The number of special occasions has been greater. The centennial of the birth of General Grant made a great amount of work in our office. As a single item the distribution of over 42,000 copies of the program was not a small job.

That all the numerous calls have been successfully met has been largely due to the energy, enthusiasm, and skillful assistance of our efficient secretary, Mrs. May P. Simister, who has spared neither time

nor strength in her service. She has been absent from the office very few days in the entire year, and often till long after office hours she has been at her desk.

And to yourself I wish to express my deep indebtedness for your constant assistance and encouragement. I was your adjutant when you were commander of U. S. Grant Post, and again when you were commander of the Department of New York, and now as commander in chief the series reaches its culmination. In all these the association has been most delightful.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General.*



## REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

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BUFFALO, N. Y., *August 10, 1922.*

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
*Commander in Chief, G. A. R.*

COMMANDER: I have the honor to submit to you my annual report as quartermaster general for the term ending August 10, 1922.

All matters pertaining to the order have been conducted by this administration in a most efficient and successful manner. Two great national events have taken place during the past year in which our order has been called upon to take the principal part, the ever-to-be-remembered Gen. U. S. Grant centenary celebration and the dedication of the magnificent Lincoln Memorial at Washington, D. C. It required much ability and time and a vast amount of labor to make the necessary arrangements for these events, and the most favorable comments have been heard from all sources on the excellent work done by our officers.

Our financial standing, under existing conditions, is quite satisfactory, when we take into consideration the large amount of money required to defray the extra expenses we were called upon to meet in the way of stationery and other printed matter, used in giving publicity to the Grant celebration and the Lincoln dedication. However, I am pleased to state that our several departments and their membership, by the purchase of programs, etc., relieved to a great extent the heavy drain that would otherwise have been made upon our general fund.

While we have suffered an inevitable decrease in membership throughout the term, the revenue derived from the per capita tax and from the interest on the permanent fund has been sufficient to enable us to meet our current obligations and to maintain the good standing of our order.

It is with great regret that I am called upon to refer to the death of my able and loyal assistant, Comrade J. Henry Holcomb, who for the past 26 years faithfully discharged the duties of the office of assistant quartermaster general and custodian. A fitting tribute to the memory of this good comrade may be read in General Orders, No. 6.

We are very grateful to our loyal auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, for their generous contributions through the year, and also to our allied societies that have assisted us in carrying on our work.

Allow me, my dear commander, to extend to you and to your adjutant general, William C. Peckham, my sincere congratulations upon the success of your untiring efforts, which have made this administration one of the best and most fruitful in the history of our order.



COLA D. R. STOWITS  
Quartermaster General





With kindest personal regards and best wishes to you and to all of the other officers with whom I have been associated during the term, believe me,

Fraternally yours,

COLA D. R. STOWITS,  
*Quartermaster General.*

### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT.

*Transcript of books, August 10 to September 30, 1921.*

BUFFALO, N. Y., *September 30, 1921.*

Cash balance in all funds, as reported to the fifty-fifth national encampment.....		\$4, 703. 36
Subsequent receipts:		
Sale of supplies.....	\$289. 29	
Per capita tax.....	1. 60	
Interest—permanent fund.....	1, 233. 32	
Woman's Relief Corps.....	1, 000. 00	
Daughters of Veterans.....	600. 00	
Sons of Veterans Auxiliary.....	500. 00	
William A. Ketcham, refund account unused traveling expenses.....	135. 90	
		<u>3, 760. 11</u>
		8, 463. 47
Disbursements:		
For supplies.....	140. 00	
For traveling.....	142. 49	
For expenses.....	2, 383. 08	
For transfer to permanent fund.....	1, 100. 00	
		<u>3, 765. 57</u>
Total cash in all funds Sept. 30, 1921.....		4, 697. 90
To be credited as follows:		
General fund.....	\$3, 073. 45	
Southern memorial fund.....	1, 624. 45	
		<u>4, 697. 90</u>

*Account current.*

### DEBIT.

Cash received for term ending Aug. 10, 1922; balance in all funds as reported in the supplemental report, Sept. 30, 1921.....		4, 697. 90
Subsequent receipts:		
Sale of supplies.....	\$3, 035. 26	
Per capita tax.....	8, 606. 18	
Southern memorial fund—		
Department of Rhode Island.....	\$20. 00	
Department of Indiana.....	44. 25	
Woman's Relief Corps.....	1, 000. 00	
Ladies of G. A. R.....	341. 50	
		<u>1, 405. 75</u>
Sale of old furniture.....	36. 00	
Interest from bank.....	100. 73	
Interest from permanent fund.....	1, 250. 00	
		<u>14, 433. 92</u>
		19, 131. 82



## CREDIT.

Cash paid out, term ending Aug. 10, 1922:

For supplies-----	\$1,566.14	
For traveling-----	2,988.88	
For salaries-----	3,825.00	
For expenses-----	3,892.75	
For southern memorial fund-----	1,550.00	
		<u>\$13,822.77</u>

Total cash in all funds, Aug. 10, 1922----- 5,309.05

To be credited as follows—

General fund-----	\$3,828.85	
Southern memorial fund-----	1,480.20	
		<u>5,309.05</u>

## ASSETS.

Cash, general fund-----	\$3,828.85	
Cash, southern memorial fund-----	1,480.20	
Supplies on hand-----	1,200.00	
Furniture on hand-----	200.00	
Lithograph stone-----	20.00	
Gun metal-----	50.00	
Free blanks-----	60.00	
		<u>6,839.05</u>

*Sale of supplies, per capita tax, southern memorial fund, interest, etc., received for term ended August 10, 1922.*

Departments.	Supplies.	Feb. 1, 1922.	July 15, 1922.	Southern memorial fund.	General fund.
Alabama.....		\$2. 35	\$4. 95		
Arizona.....		2. 75	2. 75		
Arkansas.....	\$5. 45	11. 90	11. 90		
California and Nevada.....	86. 20	235. 45	235. 45		
Colorado and Wyoming.....	51. 41	58. 70	58. 70		
Connecticut.....	12. 72	60. 00	60. 00		
Delaware.....		8. 25	8. 25		
Florida.....	9. 18	33. 75	33. 75		
Georgia and South Carolina...	5. 85	5. 20	5. 20		
Idaho.....	8. 75	16. 45	16. 45		
Illinois.....	153. 45	321. 30	321. 30		
Indiana.....	90. 60	277. 15	277. 15	\$44. 25	
Iowa.....	103. 45	221. 65	221. 65		
Kansas.....	60. 25	219. 75	219. 75		
Kentucky.....	17. 15	23. 75	23. 75		
Louisiana and Mississippi....	18. 75	11. 20	11. 20		
Maine.....	12. 00	71. 70	71. 70		
Maryland.....	21. 60	38. 05	38. 05		
Massachusetts.....	172. 00	234. 90	234. 90		
Michigan.....	30. 23	169. 30	169. 30		
Minnesota.....	13. 35	83. 80	84. 70		
Missouri.....	48. 00	130. 40	130. 40		
Montana.....	11. 35	12. 00	12. 00		
Nebraska.....	6. 50	94. 35	94. 35		
New Hampshire.....	6. 40	36. 55	36. 55		
New Jersey.....	38. 30	74. 80	74. 80		
New Mexico.....		3. 40	3. 50		
New York.....	84. 80	409. 05	409. 05		
North Dakota.....	. 40	7. 50	7. 00		
Ohio.....	154. 30	473. 40	473. 40		
Oklahoma.....	7. 80	40. 20	40. 20		
Oregon.....	38. 40	72. 00	72. 00		
Pennsylvania.....	207. 16	416. 80	416. 80		
Potomac.....	17. 36	29. 65	29. 65		
Rhode Island.....	10. 30	27. 20	27. 20	20. 00	
South Dakota.....	7. 05	52. 90	26. 25		
Tennessee.....	5. 40	19. 20	19. 20		
Texas.....	15. 96	10. 65	10. 65		
Utah.....	18. 50	6. 45	6. 53		
Vermont.....	9. 57	44. 00	44. 00		
Virginia and North Carolina...	12. 40	12. 60	12. 60		
Washington and Alaska.....	25. 75	91. 05	90. 75		
West Virginia.....	17. 00	23. 75	23. 75		
Wisconsin.....	18. 54	117. 85	121. 60		
Aids-de-camp.....	661. 55				
Grant programs.....	725. 08				
Ladies of G. A. R.....				341. 50	
Woman's Relief Corps.....	15. 00			1, 000. 00	
For old furniture.....					\$36. 00
Interest permanent fund.....					1, 250. 00
Interest from bank.....					100. 73
Total.....	3, 035. 26	4, 313. 10	4, 293. 08	1, 405. 75	1, 386. 73



Statement of disbursements by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, for term ended August 10, 1922.

Date.	Nó.	To whom and for what purpose paid.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expenses.	Southern memorial fund.
1921. Oct. 13	1	Mahlon D. Butler, P. A. G., telephone and sundry bills.				\$39.74	
17	2	Adams & White Co., envelopes and printing.				6.70	
20	3	W. C. Peckham, A. G., express charges on trunk and flags.				10.96	
	4	Nelson Desk Co., second-hand desk.				57.50	
	5	Stevenson & Marsters, office supplies.				23.05	
27	6	Library Bureau, office supplies.				4.05	
	7	Underwood Type. Co.:					
		Exchange of machines.					
		Cabinet, chair, etc.				62.50	
	8	Gordon L. Elliott, reporting 55th encampment.				88.00	
29	9	American Surety Co., prem. A. G. bond.				200.00	
31	10	Town Printing Co., 10,000 letterheads, etc.				2.50	
Nov. 1	11	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Oct.				132.00	
	12	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., Oct.			\$100.00	46.16	
	13	May P. Simister, Sec., Oct.			41.66	7.50	
7	14	Nelson Desk Co., furniture for hdqtrs.			150.00		
10	15	Willis McDonald & Co.:					
		7,500 general orders.				21.00	
		Shipment and charges.					
		10,000 circulars, etc.				212.50	
	16	Lewis S. Pilcher, C. in C.		\$300.00		24.50	
	17	Robert W. McBride, S. V. C., World War encampment at Kansas City.		58.36		48.25	
17	18	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Washington, D. C., acct. Grant centenary.		48.50			
29	19	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., Nov.			41.66	10.00	
	20	May P. Simister, Sec., Nov.			150.00		
	21	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Nov.			100.00	10.68	
3	22	J. H. Holcomb, A. Q. M. G., Sept., Oct., Nov.	\$98.44		75.00	21.75	
	23	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, rank straps, etc.					
13	24	Library Bureau, supplies for hdqtrs.				110.75	
19	25	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Dec.			100.00	13.08	
	26	May P. Simister, Sec., Dec.			150.00		

1922.	Jan.	5	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., Dec.....				41.66	5.20	
		6	New York.....			38.97			
		23	Hotel, etc.....			29.25			
		30	John Rieman, floral piece for William A. Ketcham.....	154.44				25.00	
		28	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges, buttons, etc.....						
		29	Lewis S. Pilcher, C. in C.....			300.00			
		31	Albert E. Sholes, Grant Centenary Com.....			17.53			
		32	C. D. R. Stowits Q. M. G., Jan.....				41.67	5.15	
		33	May P. Simister, sec., Jan.....				150.00		
		34	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Jan.....				100.00	38.87	
		35	Washington, D. C.....			41.86			
	Feb.	10	Willis McDonald & Co., printing, etc., Dec., Jan.....					442.92	
		13	Scientific Engraving Co., plate Grant photos.....					17.17	
		25	Gude Bros., wreath for Arlington, Va., Nov. 11.....					30.00	
			C. D. R. Stowits, Feb.....				41.66	9.50	
		40	May P. Simister, Sec., Feb.....				150.00		
		41	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Feb.....				100.00	15.00	
	Mar.	4	Lewis S. Pilcher, C. in C.....			300.00			
		6	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., Chicago and Des Moines, Feb. 28 to Mar. 6.....			121.83			
		8	John B. Inman, Ex-Com., Chicago and Des Moines.....			65.70			
		9	Geo. A. Price, Ex-Com., Chicago and Des Moines.....			144.08			
			Willis McDonald & Co., printing for headquarters, Feb.....					99.99	
			Town Printing Co., letterheads and blanks.....					58.25	
		48	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges and rank straps.....	374.42					
		49	Ware Company, 500 mailing tubes.....					8.20	
		50	J. H. Holcomb, A. Q. M. G., Dec., Jan., Feb.....				75.00	18.75	
		20	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Chicago and Des Moines, Feb. 28 to Mar. 6.....			146.83			
		29	May P. Simister, Sec., Mar.....				150.00		
		29	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Mar.....				100.00	42.22	
			C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., Mar.....				41.66		
		55	Willis McDonald & Co., printing Grant programs.....					6.24	
								315.99	
	Apr.	12	Willis McDonald & Co., postal charges, etc.....					39.41	
		15	8,000 G. O. No. 4, etc.....					194.33	
		22	Griffiths Stilling Press, 1,575 aids commissions.....					97.75	
		24	Willis McDonald & Co., printing Grant programs.....					109.91	
			G. A. Whitman, A. A. G., Ga. and S. C.....						\$350.00



Statement of disbursements by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, for term ended August 10, 1922—Continued.

Date.	No.	To whom and for what purpose paid.	Supplies.	Travel.	Salaries.	Expenses.	Southern memorial fund.
1922. Apr. 24	61	C. E. Allgaier, Dept. Comdr., Tex.					\$50. 00
	62	Louis Herman, Dept. Comdr., La. and Miss.					175. 00
	63	Chester K. Rowe, Dept. Comdr. Ala.					50. 00
	64	W. W. Lowry, Dept. Comdr. Tenn.					200. 00
25	65	George W. Clark, Dept. Comdr. Ark.					125. 00
	66	Charles H. Haber, Dept. Comdr. Ga. and N. C.					600. 00
	67	Lewis S. Pilcher, C. in C.		\$500. 00			
	68	May P. Simister, Sec., Apr.			\$150. 00		
26	69	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Apr.			100. 00	\$48. 84	
	70	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., Apr.			41. 67	5. 00	
	71	Willis McDonald & Co., printing Grant programs, etc.				96. 22	
	72	Scientific Engraving Co., electrotpe, Grant letter				6. 00	
May 1	73	W. C. Peckham, A. G., Washington D. C., Apr. 27		44. 96			
	74	Emma S. Finch, editing, etc., Journal 55th Encampment.					
	75	Willis McDonald & Co., 9,000 Cir. No. 5, bound.				209. 67	
	76	Robert W. McBride, S. V. C. in C., Washington, D. C., Apr. 17.		78. 25		217. 89	
8	77	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, badges, buttons, etc.	\$798. 21				
	78	Ruby R. Fleming, stenographic work for Grant committee.				37. 33	
	79	Ware Company, 300 mailing tubes.				5. 55	
	80	Robert W. McBride, S. V. C. in C., Kans. and Nebr. encampments.		98. 67			
24	81	W. C. Peckham, A. G., May.			100. 00		
	82	May P. Simister, Sec., May.			150. 00		
	83	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., May.			41. 67	12. 50	
	84	W. C. Peckham, A. G:					
June 3		Washington, D. C., Lincoln Memorial, May		35. 47		28. 30	
	85	Willis McDonald & Co., printing circulars, etc.				27. 25	
	86	Henry A. Johnson, J. V. C. in C., W. Va. and Pa. encampments.		40. 64			
	87	Robert W. McBride, S. V. C. in C., Minn. encampment.		59. 15			
19	88	W. C. Peckham, A. G., N. Y. encampment.		20. 00			
	89	G. B. Smith, Chap. in C., S. Dak. encampment.		17. 00			
	90	J. H. Holcomb (Mrs. Gilbert), Mar., Apr.			50. 00	15. 00	
	91	John B. Inman, Ex. Com., Chicago, June 19, 20.		24. 42			

29	92	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., June.....	.....	.....	41. 67	5. 25	.....
	93	May P. Simister, Sec., June.....	.....	.....	150. 00	.....	.....
	94	S. P. Town, A. Q. M. G., May, June.....	.....	.....	50. 00	.....	.....
	95	W. C. Peckham, A. G., June.....	.....	.....	100. 00	11. 55	.....
	96	Willis McDonald & Co., 500 envelopes.....	.....	.....	.....	2. 75	.....
	97	M. W. Wood, S. G., S. Dak. and Mont. encampments.....	.....	207. 41	.....	.....	.....
	98	W. C. Peckham, A. G., July.....	.....	.....	100. 00	.....	.....
July 27	99	May P. Simister, Sec., July.....	.....	.....	150. 00	.....	.....
	100	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G., July.....	.....	.....	41. 66	10. 75	.....
	101	Town Printing Co., letterheads, blanks, etc.....	.....	.....	.....	77. 00	.....
30	102	S. P. Town, A. Q. M. G.: July.....	.....	.....	25. 00	.....	.....
		May, June, July.....	.....	.....	.....	25. 43	.....
Aug. 3	103	Jos. K. Davison's Sons, rank straps and badges.....	140. 63	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	104	Albert E. Sholes, Sec., Grant Com.....	.....	.....	.....	61. 35	.....
10	105	Eben E. MacLeod, Chr'n West. Pass. Ass'n, 125,000 identification certificates.....	.....	.....	.....	255. 50	.....
	106	Lewis S. Pilcher, C. in C.....	.....	250. 00	.....	.....	.....
	107	May P. Simister, Sec.: Aug.....	.....	.....	150. 00	.....	.....
	108	Sept., bal. of term.....	.....	.....	150. 00	.....	.....
	109	W. C. Peckham, A. G.: Aug.....	.....	.....	100. 00	.....	.....
		Sept., bal. of term.....	.....	.....	100. 00	.....	.....
	110	S. P. Town, A. Q. M. G., bal. of term.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	111	C. D. R. Stowits, Q. M. G.: Aug.....	.....	.....	41. 66	.....	.....
		Sept., bal. of term.....	.....	.....	41. 70	.....	.....
		Total.....	1, 566. 14	2, 988. 88	3, 825. 00	3, 892. 75	1, 550. 00



*Supplies on hand, issued, and remaining in custody of Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, for term ended August 10, 1922.*

Description.	On hand Apr. 25, 1922.	Issued.	On hand Aug. 10, 1922.
Rules and regulations.....	587	112	475
Rituals.....	700	53	647
Officers' cards.....	1, 000	5	995
Service books.....	235	64	171
Odes.....	875	.....	875
Applications.....	3, 000	303	2, 697
Leaves of absence.....	2, 200	210	1, 990
Transfers.....	1, 500	167	1, 333
Discharges.....	900	25	875
Post charters.....	187	2	185
Descriptive books.....	92	2	90
Badges.....	1, 237	372	865
Rank straps.....	628	165	463
Buttons.....	3, 279	2, 781	498
Ribbons, pieces.....	14	1	13
Electrotypes.....	60	3	57
Blue books.....	17	12	5

*Statement of total number of posts, membership and financial condition of the departments of the Grand Army of the Republic, January 1, 1922.*

[Compiled by Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.]

Departments.	Posts.	Members.	Value of real estate.	Cash, post and relief.	Furnishings.	Total value of property.
Alabama . . . . .	3	47	\$260. 00	\$231. 86	\$152. 00	\$643. 86
Arizona . . . . .	4	55	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arkansas . . . . .	11	238	1, 500. 00	387. 16	250. 00	2, 137. 16
California and Nevada . . . . .	92	4, 709	5, 775. 00	33, 125. 40	5, 448. 48	44, 348. 88
Colorado and Wyoming . . . . .	46	1, 174	6, 670. 00	5, 424. 48	1, 950. 00	14, 044. 48
Connecticut . . . . .	155	1, 200	79, 111. 43	45, 627. 21	14, 413. 93	139, 152. 57
Delaware . . . . .	11	165	.....	889. 25	787. 50	1, 676. 75
Florida . . . . .	23	675	.....	1, 046. 71	511. 00	1, 557. 71
Georgia and South Carolina . . . . .	7	104	2, 000. 00	249. 54	243. 31	2, 492. 85
Idaho . . . . .	16	329	11, 430. 00	930. 00	520. 00	12, 880. 00
Illinois . . . . .	317	6, 426	45, 175. 00	40, 596. 07	15, 175. 74	100, 946. 81
Indiana . . . . .	208	5, 543	4, 718. 61	16, 180. 25	6, 798. 96	27, 697. 82
Iowa . . . . .	236	4, 433	21, 840. 00	31, 123. 62	1, 428. 00	54, 391. 62
Kansas . . . . .	235	4, 395	11, 560. 00	8, 998. 59	11, 174. 67	31, 733. 26
Kentucky . . . . .	43	475	.....	150. 00	500. 00	650. 00
Louisiana and Mississippi . . . . .	21	224	400. 00	786. 75	414. 75	1, 601. 50
Maine . . . . .	101	1, 434	52, 245. 00	18, 091. 48	17, 038. 09	87, 374. 57
Maryland . . . . .	43	761	3, 300. 00	11, 608. 05	1, 680. 00	16, 588. 05
Massachusetts . . . . .	189	4, 698	140, 000. 00	235, 666. 42	4, 000. 00	379, 666. 42
Michigan . . . . .	197	3, 386	12, 500. 00	8, 468. 98	22, 550. 00	43, 518. 98
Minnesota . . . . .	117	1, 676	4, 030. 00	8, 161. 85	6, 223. 73	18, 415. 58
Missouri . . . . .	132	2, 608	8, 170. 00	52, 967. 74	3, 536. 45	64, 674. 19
Montana . . . . .	13	240	.....	426. 16	160. 00	586. 16
Nebraska . . . . .	154	1, 887	32, 480. 00	21, 144. 87	10, 675. 37	64, 300. 24
New Hampshire . . . . .	58	731	31, 290. 81	17, 478. 86	12, 421. 09	61, 190. 76
New Jersey . . . . .	83	1, 496	16, 904. 00	30, 304. 73	11, 103. 00	58, 311. 73
New Mexico . . . . .	7	68	.....	.....	.....	324. 97
New York . . . . .	438	8, 181	30, 356. 24	92, 434. 21	54, 587. 75	177, 378. 20
North Dakota . . . . .	16	150	.....	.....	.....	19. 76
Ohio . . . . .	388	9, 468	24, 512. 00	52, 170. 08	26, 064. 36	102, 746. 44
Oklahoma . . . . .	41	804	4, 025. 00	1, 250. 00	765. 00	6, 040. 00
Oregon . . . . .	58	1, 440	2, 495. 00	13, 022. 78	2, 785. 98	18, 303. 56
Pennsylvania . . . . .	408	8, 336	90, 000. 00	44, 000. 00	12, 000. 00	146, 000. 00
Potomac . . . . .	11	593	.....	5, 059. 81	699. 00	5, 758. 81
Rhode Island . . . . .	22	544	.....	25, 431. 15	5, 902. 75	31, 333. 90
South Dakota . . . . .	51	529	.....	129. 79	200. 00	329. 79
Tennessee . . . . .	20	384	.....	.....	.....	600. 00
Texas . . . . .	10	213	1, 100. 00	865. 82	301. 00	2, 266. 82
Utah . . . . .	5	129	750. 00	325. 90	150. 00	1, 225. 90
Vermont . . . . .	72	880	600. 00	7, 841. 37	5, 423. 00	13, 864. 37
Virginia and North Carolina . . . . .	18	252	.....	110. 28	240. 00	350. 28
Washington and Alaska . . . . .	75	1, 821	3, 150. 00	4, 683. 42	2, 666. 87	10, 500. 29
West Virginia . . . . .	22	475	.....	1, 740. 15	198. 15	1, 938. 30
Wisconsin . . . . .	153	2, 357	9, 705. 50	11, 971. 06	12, 947. 00	34, 623. 56
Total . . . . .	4, 326	85, 678	658, 053. 59	851, 101. 85	274, 086. 73	1, 784, 186. 90



## REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL AND CUSTODIAN.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., August 10, 1922.

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: The commander in chief having honored me with the appointment of assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Comrade J. Henry Holcomb, who so faithfully served the Grand Army of the Republic for more than 26 years, I assumed the duties of the office on May 1, 1922. An inventory of the supplies on hand at that date was made and forwarded to the quartermaster general.

I have purchased and sent out supplies needed by the Grand Army of the Republic, under the supervision of the quartermaster general, full schedules of which, together with the account of all supplies purchased, sent out, and remaining on hand will appear in the report of the quartermaster general.

There have been printed and distributed to the various departments the following "free blanks":

Forms A and B (report of adjutant and quartermaster) .....	9, 567
Form C (report of assistant adjutant general in detail) .....	126
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Report of department chaplain .....	107
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Report of patriotic instructor (department) .....	67
Credentials to members .....	25

I fully appreciate the confidence reposed in me by the commander in chief and take this opportunity to thank you for your courtesy. To Quartermaster General Stowits I am indebted for his consideration on many occasions.

Yours in F., C., and L.,

SAML. P. TOWN,  
*Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian.*



SAMUEL P. TOWN  
Assistant Quartermaster General and Custodian





THOMAS S. HOPKINS  
Judge Advocate General

# REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PERMANENT FUND.

*Account of William J. Patterson, treasurer of the permanent fund, Grand Army of the Republic, for the year ended August 1, 1922.*

## SECURITIES ON DEPOSIT WITH THE UNION TRUST CO.

1922.

Aug.	1.	4½ per cent corporation stock, city of New York	\$17,000.00
		4½ per cent Cleveland school bonds	4,000.00
		4 per cent Philadelphia registered loans	9,800.00
		4½ per cent U. S. Liberty loan No. 3	500.00
		4½ per cent U. S. Liberty loan No. 3, purchased Oct. 24, 1921	4,000.00
Total			35,300.00

## INCOME.

1921.

Aug.	1.	To balance of cash on hand with Union Trust Co	4,083.32
Aug.	21.	To interest, Cleveland school bonds	\$90.00
Sept.	16.	To interest, U. S. Liberty loan	10.63
Nov.	1.	To interest, New York City corporation stock	382.50

1922.

Jan.	4.	To interest, Philadelphia registered loans	196.00
Feb.	23.	To interest, Cleveland school bonds	90.00
Mar.	16.	To interest, U. S. Liberty loan	95.62
May	2.	To interest, New York City corporation stock	382.50
July	1.	To interest, Philadelphia registered loans	196.00
			1,443.25

1921.

Sept.	29.	To donation, Daughters of Veterans	600.00
Sept.	29.	To donation, Sons of Veterans Auxiliary	500.00
		To interest on balance in Union Trust Co	28.72

Total income 6,655.29

## EXPENDITURES.

1921.

Aug.	29.	By check to quartermaster general	\$1,233.32
Oct.	24.	By check for \$4,000 U. S. bonds, incl. Acc. Int	3,814.49

1922.

May	5.	By check to quartermaster general	1,250.00
Aug.	1.	By 5 per cent to Union Trust Co. for collections	72.17
			6,369.98

Aug. 1. Cash balance on deposit with Union Trust Co 285.31

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

WM. J. PATTERSON, *Trustee and Treasurer.*

WALTON WEBER, *Trustee.*

FRANK R. CHASE, *Trustee.*

The Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, depositary for the trustees of the permanent fund of the Grand Army of the Republic, hereby certifies that the foregoing annual statement to August 1, 1922, showing \$35,000 in securities and \$285.31 cash on deposit with this company, is correct.

THE UNION TRUST CO. OF PITTSBURGH.  
W. W. GRINSTEAD, *Trust Officer.*



## REPORT OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., *August 6, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.,*

COMRADE: I beg to submit this, my report as judge advocate general of the Grand Army of the Republic.

I was hoping that I might be able to report that no case had been submitted to me for a legal opinion during the year of my service. Down to recent date my docket was clean. But, too late for formal action, the commander in chief referred a contested case to me, and asked for my opinion. This case came up on appeal from the decision of the department commander of Tennessee. The appellant was William C. Chandler, a member of McKinley Post, No. 106, G. A. R., Department of Tennessee.

The case was a very voluminous one. It had been considered by several judge advocates general, and had been before the national encampment a number of times. But the appellant's case seems to have suffered for want of proper attention, and from an unwarranted belief that it was full of complications.

In this appeal the appellant is represented by able counsel, who has filed a typewritten brief of 22 legal cap pages, with a great number of citations of opinions of former judge advocates general, reports of committees, etc.

This appeal was referred to me by the commander in chief at too late a date for me to examine and verify the multitude of citations, and to properly consider the many points missed by the appellant's counsel in his brief, especially as I was, and still am, absent from Washington on an extended vacation and have not my reference books with me. I therefore advised the commander in chief to refer the case to the next administration.

Upon further consideration, however, I have decided to, and I do hereby, recommend to the commander in chief that he refer the question or questions involved to the national encampment for its action. I am moved to do this for the following reasons:

1. Presumably, this comrade, in common with the rest of us, has reached that age where, in the course of nature, he may at any time be summoned to answer the last call. For years he has unsuccessfully sought a clear-cut decision in his case.

2. My view of the case is that there is only one point necessary for consideration, and that one extremely simple and clear cut.

The facts, very briefly stated, are as follows: The appellant enlisted in Company B, Third Tennessee Volunteer Cavalry, in August, 1863. While on the way with his recruiting officer to join his regiment he was captured by the Confederates, sent to Castle Thunder, Richmond, Va., and confined there a prisoner of war until

the capture of Richmond in 1865. He thus suffered all the horrors of imprisonment for 20 months. He was never mustered into the United States service, and therefore could not be mustered out or receive a discharge.

After a thorough and careful investigation into all the circumstances, Congress passed and the President signed a bill granting him a pension (H. R. 11145, Fifty-sixth Congress), and a pension certificate (No. 1023239, dated February 25, 1901) was issued to him, which pension is still being paid.

Eligibility to membership in the Grand Army is based on the applicant "having been honorably discharged" from the military or naval service. (Art. 4, R. and R.)

This provision should not be too strictly construed. Its only intent and purpose was to make sure that only those who served faithfully and honestly should be eligible to membership. A discharge paper has no sacred character. It is the service given that was and is sacred. The discharge certificate is but evidence of service. Its loss or destruction in no wise lessens or impairs the value of the service rendered.

The service which this appellant gave has been officially recognized by Congress and the President in awarding him a pension, and no one will deny (especially if he has been a prisoner of war himself) that the service rendered by the appellant was of the severest and most exacting character that a soldier is ever called upon to undergo. My predecessors have held that the actual possession of a formal discharge paper is not essential where the applicant was, in fact, honorably discharged, and that a pension certificate is sufficient proof of service. (Bluebook, p. 21, sec. 7.)

In view of the circumstances in this particular case it is my opinion that the appellant is eligible to membership in the Grand Army.

I beg to thank the commander in chief and the adjutant general for their kindness and courtesy shown me during my term of office, and to express the hope that time may deal gently with them and that the remainder of their days may be full of peace and contentment.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

THOS. S. HOPKINS,  
*Judge Advocate General.*



## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., *July 22, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: I wish to report as follows:

The Grand Army of the Republic on the Pacific coast, I believe, is in very good condition. Many of the posts open and close them in proper form, but a few of them are so small that their attendance will not permit them to do that.

When I accepted this office I looked for some rule to tell me just what my duties were, but I did not find any. I therefore wrote to the commander in chief to appoint the assistant adjutant generals as my assistants, thinking they would have more information than anyone else. So I wrote to each one and asked them to furnish me the number of posts in his department, the number of members in each post, and their financial condition. I desired this information for the last year; that is, from the 1st of July, 1921, to the 1st of July, 1922. You can readily see there would be quite a difference in the membership between December 31, 1920, and December 31, 1921, and July 1, 1921, and July 1, 1922.

From the various reports that I have received I find the death rate to be about 13 per cent, and the financial condition, as a whole, very good. There are but a few posts that have reported "No funds."

The Grant centennial was properly observed here. The governor asked the public schools, churches, and patriotic societies and citizens to properly observe it, and they did.

Respectfully yours in F., C., and L.,

RICHARD A. SARLE,  
*Inspector General.*



RICHARD A. SARLE  
Inspector General





LEVI LONGFELLOW  
National Patriotic Instructor

## OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR.

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., *July 25, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: Herewith I hand you my report as national patriotic instructor of the Grand Army for the past year.

Soon after my appointment to this office I sent a letter to each of the assistant adjutant generals, asking for the name and address of the department patriotic instructor, and on receipt of this information I issued a letter to all department patriotic instructors advising them of my appointment and inviting cooperation with me in efforts to extend our patriotic teachings and expressing the hope that they were ready with plans that might stimulate others who were doubtless awaiting their commands to go forward, reminding them that success would depend on their enthusiastic leadership.

In that letter I called their attention to the fact that since the close of the World War the public-school authorities in many of our larger cities have opened Americanization night schools, where those of our foreign-born population who so desire may familiarize themselves with the language and history of our country, and I stated that these schools have been crowded with pupils of all ages eager to learn about their adopted country. These schools have afforded opportunity for patriotic workers of the Grand Army and allied organizations to visit the sessions, supply the schools with flags when needed, and instruct the pupils in their duties in citizenship in the best government in the world.

I further reminded them that they would gain inspiration by reading the reports of our national officers given at our fifty-fifth national encampment at Indianapolis, and that they would find these reports most instructive and helpful in their patriotic work. I called their attention to the forthcoming program for the observance of the centennial birthday of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, April 27, 1922, as authorized by the national encampment, mentioning that this great character would be the chief figure about which our patriotic efforts would revolve during the present Grand Army year, and expressing the hope that they would urge all comrades to "rally 'round the flag" as they did in days gone by and unitedly start this new year with a fresh vision of its possibilities.

Other letters and circulars have been sent out from time to time, and on February 13, 1922, I sent each department patriotic instructor several copies of the Grant centennial program, which it had been my privilege to prepare for use in the public schools of the country. I advised them that additional copies might be obtained from national headquarters.



The following excerpts from reports received from department patriotic instructors represent conditions as they exist in the several departments at this time:

*California and Nevada.*—Comrade J. R. Milnor reports enthusiastic exercises in the public schools. Comrades and allied orders gave programs at their Lincoln monument at Long Beach, Calif. and later united with Army, Navy, and Marine troops in passing in review where Admiral Shoemaker and others witnessed the marching columns. Flowers were strewn on old ocean in memory of the men who gave their lives in the service of the Navy. The day's exercises closed with an address, followed by luncheon furnished by the Women's Relief Corps.

*Colorado and Wyoming.*—Comrade R. Q. Tenney sends a report of exercises at Fort Collins, where are located the agricultural college and quasi military school, with 1,200 students and 500 vocational ex-World War veterans. At the observance of the Grant centennial in one of the schools the pupils, all of foreign-born parents, in the fifth grade were told to write a short account of their visit to the exercises. The results were entirely satisfactory.

Comrade Tenney reports there are 3,742 public-school buildings and 235,690 pupils in the public schools of Colorado—and all patriotic days are observed. The Governor of Colorado by proclamation recognized Flag Day.

*Connecticut.*—Comrade J. W. Davis reports that all patriotic days were observed by comrades and allied organizations. All schools are supplied with flags and the fires of patriotism are burning in the hearts of the youth. He has visited nearly every school and has spoken to over 8,000 pupils, preached five patriotic sermons during the year, and given an address upon Abraham Lincoln, and in every way possible has tried to perform faithfully and loyally the duties of his office.

*Florida.*—Comrade Noah W. Beauchamp reports that most schools are supplied with flags and pupils are interested in raising and lowering the flag. State law makes it obligatory to fly the flag over schools while in session. Military instruction is given in one school. Patriotic days are observed in most schools. W. R. C. and Daughters of Veterans cooperate with comrades. Southern textbooks abbreviate Memorial Day exercises in schools. Osceola County schools usually participate in parades. Comrade Beauchamp has supplied many flags to schools and offered prizes to high schools for patriotic essays. Governor Hardee recognized Flag Day by proclamation.

*Georgia and South Carolina.*—Comrade F. A. Jones reports but little progress in the South in the observance of national patriotic days, Memorial Day, or the Fourth of July. He says they could not prevail upon officials in the schools for whites to observe the Grant centennial, though on the previous day, April 26, exercises were held in all white schools in honor of the birthday of Jefferson Davis. However, the colored people turned out en masse and carried out the program for the Grant centennial in the Beaufort (S. C.) High School and in several of the colored grade schools—all of which he attributes to Comrade Robert Simmons (colored), adjutant of Post No. 9 (colored). Comrade Jones reports that he supplied flags furnished by the W. R. C. to all schools in the colored belt around Tallapoosa. He states the colored people assisted the comrades in decorating graves in four national cemeteries in his department, where nearly 40,000 of our Grand Army comrades are sleeping.

*Illinois.*—Comrade B. C. Bryner says: "While the feebleness of age weakens the activities of our comrades, it increases their moral influence upon the youth of the Nation. The work of our allied organizations is ceaseless—all working loyally toward the same end. I was on a committee to pass upon essays written by school children in 52 counties in Illinois upon the value of military training in the schools of the United States. The first prize was awarded to a boy born in Italy. Possibly our boys are not properly trained in the true meaning of our patriotic occasions, but they certainly appreciate the value of military discipline."

*Indiana.*—Comrade W. P. McKinsey writes: "Most patriotic days are observed in schools." He considers "there is no better channel than the public schools through which to inculcate patriotism."

*Iowa.*—Comrade J. W. Stratton writes that in his department all patriotic days are duly observed. The State could well afford to pay the actual expenses but without salary, of a competent comrade to visit the schools and see that the pupils are properly instructed in the observance of patriotic anniversaries and in the duties of citizenship.



*Kansas.*—Comrade J. W. Gilges's reports cover only a fraction of the State, but he assumes all schools are supplied with flags, which are kept flying on school buildings or grounds during school hours. Kansas was born in the fires of freedom, hence all patriotic days are observed. In Leavenworth, on Memorial Day all business was suspended and flags were displayed on business houses and on most dwellings. The Grant birthday celebration was a great success, thousands participating in the exercises.

*Kentucky.*—Comrade S. D. Van Pelt reports that patriotism is not conspicuous among the citizens of Kentucky and the flag is not displayed in all public schools as it should be, but Flag Day and Memorial Day are being more generally observed than formerly. The past few years many Confederate comrades have joined in these exercises. And why should they not? We are all Americans and should be proud that we live under the best Government this world has ever known.

*Louisiana and Mississippi.*—Comrade Moses Lipscomb reports that all comrades are patriotic in observing all Grand Army days. While the comrades are not able to march, yet they attend church in uniform on Memorial Sunday, and also observed the Grant centennial. He says the Spanish War veterans united with the Grand Army comrades and the W. R. C. in decorating graves of comrades in Chalmette Cemetery. He thinks the Spanish War veterans are their best friends. God bless them.

*Maine.*—Comrade Silas Adams reports 3,600 schools in his department, all of which are supplied with flags. The observance of the Grant centennial has proven a great incentive to patriotic efforts. He procured a sufficient number of Grant birthday programs for use in every post, college, seminary and normal school, and many other institutions of learning throughout the State. He took much time and pleasure in helping to make the day a success, and in efforts to counteract the growing tendency to socialism. Teachers and pupils in the public schools are deeply interested in patriotic instruction.

*Maryland.*—Comrade John T. Holmes reports that pupils in the public schools are generally instructed in patriotism and in giving the salute to the flag. He regrets, however, that it is rather difficult to get the citizens to display the flag on holidays. On Flag Day he attended three flag raisings and gave addresses. He presented eight flags to schools during the year.

*Michigan.*—Comrade L. A. L. Gilbert reports 9,114 schools and 94,117 pupils in his department, all schools supplied with flags, and Memorial Sunday and all patriotic days fittingly observed. The governor of the State recognized Flag Day by proclamation. A State law makes it obligatory to fly the flag while schools are in session. More than 100 cities and villages enthusiastically observed the Grant centennial. Comrade Gilbert deplores the fact that great numbers of foreigners coming into that State are not proving loyal to our country and flag, but are undesirable as citizens.

*Missouri.*—Comrade W. C. Calland reports that the presence of our overseas veterans has greatly enlivened Memorial Day services and has brought enthusiasm and vigor to the Grand Army comrades, who welcome these loyal Americans as their successors when the last of the Civil War veterans have finished their work. Comrade Calland deplores the fact that the newer United States histories which are being used in some of our schools detract from the glorious victories of our Revolutionary fathers, whose achievements form one of the most glorious pages in our history.

*Montana.*—Comrade Charles P. H. Bielenberg reports 3,200 school buildings in his department, all supplied with flags as required by State law. There are 125,189 pupils in the public schools. Comrades visit the schools on patriotic days, and teachers and all allied organizations cooperate in making the exercises impressive and instructive.

*Nebraska.*—Comrade Addison Wait reports that Nebraska has kept alive the spirit and traditions of the Grand Army by observing patriotic days and the Grant centennial. General Grant's place in history is with Washington and Lincoln. Comrade Wait urges the importance of emphasizing the achievements of these great men, that their lives may be emulated in patriotic services to our country by those who will be our future citizens. He thinks if the school children of this generation prove derelict in the performance of their duty to our country, it will not be the fault of the Grand Army of the Republic.

*New Hampshire.*—Comrade D. E. Proctor reports the schools doing fine work.

*New Jersey.*—Comrade H. Craig Smith reports he visited 62 schools, addressed 16,000 pupils, dedicated a Grand Army memorial tablet, decorated soldiers'



graves, and united with other patriotic bodies in fittingly observing Memorial Day, which closed with a great parade.

*New Mexico.*—Comrade B. A. Jones reports very few comrades able to attend department encampment on account of age and infirmity, one being 90 years of age, another 86, and the youngest 77. He says Department Commander Bliss, who at one time served as aid-de-camp on the staff of General Grant, gave his recollections at a Grand Army and W. R. C. camp fire at Albuquerque at the celebration of the Grant centennial.

*New York.*—Comrade Abraham H. Tompkins reports that his work the past year has been in visiting the schools and preaching the gospel of 100 per cent Americanism, respect for law and for the flag. He emphasizes the need of learning and speaking the English language, especially in homes where the parents are of foreign birth. He reports 1,600 pupils and teachers at a school in the Bronx marched in review, led by a fife and drum corps composed entirely of pupils of the school. The celebration of the Grant centennial was a great success. The patriotic work done by our comrades since the Civil War is bearing fruit in the lives of this generation, as evidenced by their hearty response to the call to defend the flag in the World War.

*North Dakota.*—Comrade Smith Stimmel reports patriotic instruction has been given in a large majority of their public schools. The observance of the Grant centennial was quite general in the schools and by the comrades throughout the State.

*Oregon.*—Comrade Albert Loughridge reports the Grant centennial duly observed with special services and publicity. The Grand Army made this a notable day in our national life, and all our allied organizations united to encourage and aid teachers and schools in their efforts to carry out this program.

*Pennsylvania.*—Comrade Campbell Stanton reports that he has endeavored particularly to have patriotism taught in all schools as well as churches, societies, clubs, and other organizations. He says that two years ago the State legislature enacted a law directing the superintendent of public instruction to prescribe a course of patriotic teaching in the schools as an addendum to the prescribed curriculum. This has been arranged in two sections, one for the schools up to and including the ninth grade and the other for the high schools. He reports that the birthdays of Washington, Lincoln, and Grant were duly observed.

*Rhode Island.*—Comrade Thomas Leighton has been untiring in helping to keep alive the spirit of patriotic service by urging the comrades to promote patriotism in the schools and in all public gatherings.

*South Dakota.*—Comrade E. Harris Best writes that there are 5,400 school buildings in his department, one-third of which are supplied with flags—estimated 150,000 pupils in all schools. Teachers and pupils take lively interest in patriotic exercises. Reports they have a State law making it obligatory to fly the flag when schools are in session. Military instruction is given in the State college and in the university. Manuals of patriotism are furnished all schools. Governor McMaster issued a proclamation setting apart April 27, 1922, the centenary birthday of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, on which to commemorate and honor his deeds and memory.

*Texas.*—Comrade C. S. Brodbent says all patriotic organizations unite with the Grand Army in the proper observance of Memorial Day. He reports the best of feeling among all citizens and says that unfeigned loyalty to our flag and country prevails throughout his department.

*Utah.*—Comrade F. H. Bishop reports the Department of the Grand Army in first-class condition and all comrades and citizens of that State high in patriotic devotion to the dear Old Flag and all that it represents.

*Washington and Alaska.*—Comrade A. W. Wilkes reports patriotic interest throughout the year on Puget Sound. Patriotic societies and the teachers in the schools unite in carrying on the good work. He says the observance of Grant's centennial was a pronounced success.

*West Virginia.*—Comrade A. G. Chapman says most patriotic days are observed, but neither law nor custom prevails to observe Memorial Day in the public schools of this State. The schools are generally supplied with flags by allied organizations. Comrades visit the schools. Armistice Day was observed by civic bodies and World War Veterans. A flag drill was given at the department encampment by 48 girls in costume. The Grant centennial was enthusiastically observed with an address by Doctor Harding, of Ohio, father of President Harding.



*Wisconsin.*—Comrade Hosea W. Rood writes that in his school talks he has emphasized the history and meaning of the flag by using a series of flags to illustrate the evolution of our flag from the crusades down to June 14, 1777, when it was legally adopted by Congress. He says: "During the past 17 years, since I was first appointed department patriotic instructor, I have spoken in hundreds of schools throughout the State and have had an opportunity to see something of the growth of interest in the flag and all it means. The Grant centennial was observed throughout the State. In Madison our Grand Army comrades planted a fine young elm tree in his memory, holding appropriate ceremonies. Schools were closed and 4,000 boys and girls marched around the Capitol Park, led by the uniformed band of the high school. At my suggestion a bill was introduced and passed in our last legislature and is now a law making a study of citizenship a part of the course of study for all grades in school. Our State superintendent intends to formulate a course of instruction upon the privileges and duties of American citizenship." Comrade Rood pays a tribute to the splendid cooperation of the young men of the World War in assisting the comrades of the Grand Army in their patriotic work.

These reports, together with information gleaned from the public press, show an abiding interest in patriotic efforts and notwithstanding the infirmities of age our boys in blue while rapidly diminishing in numbers are still on the firing line and keenly watchful of the trend of events throughout our country.

Among our comrades there is a growing conviction that we must soon pass over into other and younger hands the work we have so long maintained. There is still no little reluctance in intrusting to the inexperienced the teaching of patriotism to this generation. No presence so thrills the boys and girls of our public schools as does the Grand Army veteran in his uniform, representing the men who in the days of civil strife defended the flag and saved our Nation.

We note that each year there is a deeper reverence for Memorial Sunday services and Memorial Day observances, and it is a source of great satisfaction to have our boys of the American Legion willingly cooperating with citizens in assuming the financial obligations and the active management incident to the proper observance of these sacred days. More and more our comrades are being regarded as honored guests on these occasions.

During the past official year I have addressed 2 high schools, 11 grade schools, the Army and Navy Club in Minneapolis, 3 parent-teachers' associations, the National Spanish War Veterans Association and their auxiliary in their annual conventions, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of Missouri at their annual meeting in St. Louis, the Minnesota Civil War Veterans Association of which I am the president, and many Relief Corps circles of the ladies of the Grand Army and the National Alliance, Daughters of Veterans.

On the 18th of April I was invited by the Women's Relief Corps of Minnesota to give the principal address on the occasion of presenting a beautiful flag to the State Home School for Girls at Sauk Center, Minn., where 700 girls of high-school age, sent to that institution by the courts of Minnesota, are detained for an indeterminate period under instruction and discipline, supervised by Mrs. Fannie French Morse, a lady of rare qualifications for this service. I was informed that the girls when sent out from this school seldom lapse into their former habits but usually marry and become happy home makers and mothers.

As a member of the Minnesota Monument Commission it was my privilege last May to assist in the ceremonies of unveiling a



monument erected by Minnesota in the national cemetery at Jefferson Barracks near St. Louis, Mo., in memory of 164 of Minnesota's sons who are buried there. Included in this number are 45 of my own regiment—the Sixth Minnesota. In that cemetery sleep over 13,000 Union soldiers of the several States who made the supreme sacrifice for their country. Minnesota is the first of the States to thus honor her soldiers buried there. This is also true in the national cemeteries at Nashville, Memphis, and Little Rock.

It has also been my privilege and great honor under the direction of our commander in chief, Dr. Lewis S. Pilcher, to prepare and assist in distributing over 42,000 programs for the proper observance of the Grant centennial in the public schools of our country. In addition, I supplied these programs to superintendents of schools in every county and city in Minnesota—this without cost to the Grand Army.

In the performance of these duties, which have been a great delight to me, I have given 55 patriotic addresses, besides keeping up a correspondence with patriotic workers which has frequently taxed my time to the limit. I desire to express my thanks to the department instructors who have rendered such excellent reports of their efforts. All of these comrades assisted me in carrying on this important department of the work of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In closing I wish to thank our commander in chief, Dr. Lewis S. Pilcher, for appointing me to this very important office, the responsibilities of which seem to increase with advancing years, and to you, my dear Comrade Peckham, my thanks are due for your wise counsels and also to all comrades and others who have cooperated with me in this delightful service.

We can not fail to realize that for the comrades of the Grand Army our active work is nearly finished, but we shall, no doubt, be ably succeeded by our faithful auxiliary and all allied organizations who will carry forward our patriotic work with increasing activities among the youth of our public schools, which is the most promising field for lasting results in teaching the principles of good citizenship.

Respectfully submitted in F., C., and L.

LEVI LONGFELLOW,  
*National Patriotic Instructor.*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE OBSERVANCE OF THE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF ULYSSES S. GRANT.

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WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: At the Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Indianapolis September 25-29, 1921, a committee appointed at the national encampment of 1920 "to take into consideration the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Ulysses S. Grant," and of which Past Commander in Chief Ell Torrance was chairman, presented its recommendations, herewith attached a part of this report, which were unanimously adopted.

The report recommended special ceremonies in Washington in the dedication of the Grant Memorial, special commemorative services at the place of his birth, Point Pleasant, Ohio, and at the place of his burial on Riverside Drive, New York City, and in addition a country-wide observance of the anniversary April 27, 1922, with patriotic exercises in schools and churches, a program of these exercises to be issued from Grand Army headquarters, and all auxiliary bodies and orders in any way allied with the Grand Army to be invited to join with it in honoring the memory of General Grant.

The final recommendation was that the commander in chief be authorized to appoint all necessary committees for the carrying out of the purposes and intents of the foregoing recommendations, and that the published proceedings connected with the observances of the anniversary be so far as possible collected and preserved for such future use as might be determined on by the Grand Army of the Republic.

In carrying out these instructions the commander in chief called upon national patriotic instructor, Comrade Levi W. Longfellow, to prepare the program of exercises for use at public assemblies on the birthday. This work was performed most efficiently, and more than 42,000 copies of this program were distributed from national headquarters. A copy of this program is hereto appended.

On January 16, 1922, the commander in chief in his General Orders, No. 3, announced the appointment of a national committee, headed by the President of the United States as honorary chairman, and the Vice President as honorary vice chairman, and an executive committee, of which Comrade Thomas S. Hopkins, of Washington, D. C., was named as chairman, and Albert E. Sholes, of Flushing, N. Y., secretary.

The work of the executive committee started in late December, 1921, when letters were written to all the department commanders of the Grand Army, urging their hearty cooperation, and inclosing a copy of the recommendations adopted at the national encampment.



On January 17, the governors of all the States loyal to the Government during the War of the Rebellion were communicated with and they were asked to join with the Grand Army in the effort to make April 27, 1922, a day notable in American history, by special executive proclamation.

All the governors thus communicated with, with the exception of those of Connecticut, Vermont, New Jersey, Maryland, and Tennessee, responded cordially to this request in proclamations that constitute a collection of patriotic papers of high value and permanent importance. Copies of these proclamations are appended. There will be found among them also one from Governor McRae, of Arkansas, suggestive of the sentiment now happily prevailing throughout many of the former Confederate States. This proclamation was issued in response to a personal request to the governor made by the commander in chief during his visit to Little Rock, Ark.

In early February requests were mailed to the national chiefs of all our auxiliary and affiliated organizations for them to unite their efforts with ours in this nation-wide task, and the responses which promptly came from all afforded much pleasure.

The activity of the Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, the American Legion, and all other affiliated organizations was represented by general orders, copies of which were forwarded to the committee from every national headquarters. General orders or proclamations were also sent out by nearly every department commander.

The reports which were returned varied in their fullness, but some of them are notably full and valuable. It was necessary, however, to write for and obtain nearly 100 newspapers and clip them before the real facts as to the widespread and general observation of the day could be clearly exhibited.

The story of how comrades everywhere labored to make the day notable in American history, of the cordial cooperation extended by our auxiliaries, by all patriotic organizations, and by the governors of States, the mayors of cities, the pastors of churches, and the principals of schools from Maine to California, aye, even to far-off Hawaii, has been gathered, collated, and assembled in form for preservation, the whole representing an exhibit that impels the conviction that this final effort of the Grand Army of the Republic to inspire an everliving spirit of patriotism in the hearts of the generations who follow was its greatest effort.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. S. HOPKINS, *Chairman.*  
ALBERT E. SHOLES, *Secretary.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FEDERATION OF PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES.

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LOS ANGELES, CALIF., *July 30, 1922.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General, G. A. R.*

COMRADE: The committee appointed to take into consideration the advisability of federating the Grand Army of the Republic, United Spanish War Veterans, American Legion, and other patriotic societies held a meeting in Indianapolis, Ind., and made a report to the national encampment of the Grand Army while in session there during September 19 to 25, 1920. The report of the committee was referred to the committee on resolutions.

This action took the report entirely out of the hands of the federation committee and placed it, together with all data concerning it, in the hands of the committee on resolutions for their action and report.

The committee on resolutions reported that "it was inexpedient to take any further action at that time, and that further consideration be postponed. This report was adopted by the encampment.

This action of the fifty-fourth encampment leaves the report of the committee in the hands of the national encampment for such action as the national encampment may see fit to take.

The committee on federation certainly did their full duty and made a unanimous report, concurred in by the committee from the United Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion. Communications were received from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, World War Veterans, Disabled American Veterans of World War and Indian Wars, approving of the proposition.

The committees of the United Spanish War Veterans and the American Legion (see p. 85, 54th, enc.) were unanimous in recognizing the Grand Army as preeminent in carrying forward the patriotic spirit of true Americans since our association was inaugurated, and all communications from the other soldier societies were laudable in the extreme toward the Grand Army and the perpetuation of its principles, services, and patriotic devotion to the American Union. Emphasizing the fact that our great order has stood as a bulwark for constitutional Government—law and order—every soldier society in our country announced their veneration for the Grand Army of the Republic as one of our Nation's greatest assets; extolled our services and acknowledged our seniority and unanimously expressed the desire to have us lead, that they might follow our example, and, in words of reverence and affection, said: "We hold it an honor and privilege to be permitted to aid and help the Grand Army in its life work, and when this great organization



shall have passed away we pledge our allegiance to our brothers who have seen service for their country and will continue the customs and honor the Grand Army of the Republic as we would our own."

The report of the committee on federation also embraces the spirit of the Americanization of America and takes advanced grounds upon the social, economic, and commercial relations of our country.

It is unaccountable to me why the report of the committee should have been taken out of the hands of the regular committee and pigeonholed for two years and at a time, too, when the country was rife with leading sentiments contained in the articles of federation.

By our inaction the Grand Army has lost much of the prestige that the younger men were anxious to honor them with.

I trust that this important matter may receive your official notice to the end that the fifty-sixth national encampment may dispose of it.

Sincerely yours in F., C., and L.

CLARENDON E. ADAMS,  
*Chairman Federation Committee.*

# REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

BOSTON, MASS., *September 25, 1922.*

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
*Commander in Chief, G. A. R.:*

I have the pleasure of presenting to you a brief summary of the work accomplished by the Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic for the year ending June 30, 1922.

These figures are taken from the records of this organization in the office of the national secretary:

Number of departments	36
Number of provisional departments	3
Number of corps, June 30, 1922	2, 442
Representing a net gain of	202
Number of members	212, 696

Amount expended for relief	\$40, 573. 01
Relief other than money	128, 093. 76
Amount turned over to posts	36, 867. 07

Total expended as above	\$205. 533. 84
For Memorial Day, flowers for the sick and deceased comrades	20, 882. 86
Southern Memorial	1, 000. 00
For Army nurses, Christmas gift	1, 300. 00
	23, 182. 86

Total for relief, turned over to posts and departments, Memorial Day, etc., as above	228, 716. 70
Total amount expended for above to June 30, 1921	5, 398, 246. 00

Total for above since organization	5, 626, 962. 70
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In addition to the above, we have contributed this year for the—

World War boys in hospitals	\$6, 307. 16
Spanish War Veterans	688. 38
Veterans, London Branch, Civil War	50. 00
Soldiers' homes	2, 116. 37
Widows' homes	566. 24
Orphans' homes	249. 13
Child welfare	3, 115. 38
Americanization	1, 969. 19
Schools in the South	355. 21
Scholarships	1, 021. 91
Near East relief	436. 78

The national treasurer's report shows cash balance June 30, 1922—

In general fund	\$10, 984. 06
All other funds	17, 353. 27
	28, 337. 33
Invested in Liberty bonds	2, 000. 00
Salable supplies, valued at cost	12, 000. 00
	42, 337. 33

Liabilities: None.

Respectfully submitted in fraternity, charity, and loyalty.

AGNES H. PARKER,  
*National President.*





**NATIONAL COUNCIL *and*  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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#### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OTHER COMRADES

Reading from left to right: Standing—Beach, of Connecticut; Wilt, of Pennsylvania; Parsons, of New York. Sitting—Willett, of Iowa; Quartermaster General Stowits; Commander in Chief Pilcher; Adjutant General Peckham; Inman, of Illinois; Sholes, of Georgia.





**MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF  
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION, HELD  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1922, IN THE HOTEL FORT  
DES MOINES, DES MOINES, IOWA.**

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The executive committee of the national council of administration met at 2 o'clock p. m., Monday, September 25, 1922, at national headquarters in the Hotel Fort Des Moines pursuant to the call of the commander in chief.

The following members of the committee were present: Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher, Junior Vice Commander in Chief Henry A. Johnson, Adj. Gen. William C. Peckham, Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Comrades George A. Price, J. W. Willett, J. Andrew Wilt, John B. Inman, Harry L. Beach, and Hiram A. Chapin.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, a quorum is present and we will proceed with our business. The first thing is the report of the auditing committee. Comrade Price, do you report for this committee?

Comrade PRICE. Commander in Chief, the auditing committee begs leave to submit the following report (reading):

DES MOINES, IOWA, *September 25, 1922.*

We, the undersigned committee to examine the records of the quartermaster general, have performed the duty assigned to us and find the accounts correct in every respect and the balance on hand to be \$5,309.05 as of August 10, 1922.

This account agrees with the certificate of the bank of deposit.

The excellent system, style, and accuracy of the accounts made our duties easy of performance.

GEORGE A. PRICE,  
J. W. WILLETT,  
JOHN B. INMAN,  
*Committee of Audit.*

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the report. It is before you for action.

Comrade WILT. I move that the report of the auditing committee be approved.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor will say "aye." Opposed, "no." It is a unanimous vote.

Any other business to come before us?

If there is no other business which any of the comrades desire to bring to the attention of the committee, the commander in chief desires to say that he found it necessary in July to appoint an assistant adjutant general; that he appointed to that office Comrade McConekey, of New York; and that he has been serving in that capacity from the time of his appointment until the present time—60 days. It would seem to the commander in chief that it was proper that he should receive some remuneration for his work. I recommend that



the same amount that is paid to the assistant quartermaster general be paid to this appointed assistant adjutant general—\$25 per month for two months' service and his railroad expenses in coming to and going from the encampment. I am not sure whether this body can act, or whether we should approve it and recommend it to the council of administration for the purpose of definite action upon this matter.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. Commander, this executive committee is the council of administration.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The matter, then, is before you.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. I move that an order be drawn in favor of Comrade McConekey for the amount, \$50 salary and his railroad expenses.

Comrade WILT. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Are there any remarks? If not, I will put the motion. All in favor say "aye." Opposed, "no." Carried.

Is there any other matter which should come before us? Any recommendation which should come from this committee upon any matter, either to the council of administration or to the body of the encampment as a whole? If not, a motion to adjourn is then in order.

Comrade INMAN. I move we adjourn.

Comrade CHAPIN. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All in favor of adjournment will say "aye." Opposed, "no."

(The motion prevailed.)

The national council of administration will meet at 3 o'clock in the banquet room, which we have just vacated, in this corridor. The commander in chief has to engage in services at the capitol grounds at half past 2, and therefore will not be able to meet with the council of administration, and he will ask the senior vice commander in chief to preside at the meeting of the council of administration. We are adjourned (2.20 p. m.).

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION, HELD MONDAY AFTERNOON, SEP-  
TEMBER 25, 1922, AT THE HOTEL FORT DES MOINES,  
DES MOINES, IOWA.**

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The national council of administration met at 3 o'clock p. m. on Monday, September 25, 1922, at the Hotel Fort Des Moines, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief and, in his absence, was presided over by the senior vice commander in chief.

The roll call disclosed the following members of the council of administration present:

Senior Vice Commander in Chief Robert W. McBride, Indianapolis, Ind.

Junior Vice Commander in Chief Henry A. Johnson, Washington, D. C.

Adj. Gen. William C. Peckham, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

Comrade George F. Jackson, of Alabama.

Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.

Comrade Chas. F. Derby, of California and Nevada.

Comrade M. S. Crawford, of Colorado and Wyoming.

Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut.

Comrade William Kelley, of Delaware.

Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.

Comrade J. W. Willett, of Iowa.

Comrade E. W. Phillips, of Kansas.

Comrade M. H. Davidson, of Kentucky.

Comrade Basile Ulgere, of Louisiana and Mississippi.

Comrade Edwin Riley, of Maine.

Comrade Jacob R. Tucker, of Maryland.

Comrade Wilfred A. Wetherbee, of Massachusetts.

Comrade H. A. Chapin, of Michigan.

Comrade James McCormick, of North Dakota.

Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade John Middleton, of Potomac.

Comrade John A. Medbery, of Rhode Island.

Comrade J. C. Luce, of South Dakota.

Comrade Oliver C. Kinley, of Tennessee.<sup>1</sup>

Comrade J. M. Hyde, of Vermont.

Comrade George W. Burchfield, of Virginia and North Carolina.

Comrade F. H. Hurd, of Washington and Alaska.

Comrade S. R. Hanen, of West Virginia.

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<sup>1</sup> Comrade Kinley presented credentials from the Department of Tennessee showing that he had been appointed a member of the council of administration to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Comrade Newton Hacker, and upon motion of Comrade Wetherbee, duly seconded, put by the senior vice commander in chief, and carried, Comrade Kinley was declared a member of the council of administration.



The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What business is there to come before the council? Are there any reports? The executive committee met a short time ago, and they have some report.

(Adjutant General Peckham then read the following report of the auditing committee:)

DES MOINES, IOWA, *September 24, 1922.*

We, the undersigned committee to examine the records of the quartermaster general, have performed the duty assigned to us and find the accounts correct in every respect and the balance on hand to be \$5,309.05 as of August 10, 1922.

This amount agrees with the certificate of the bank deposit.

The excellent system, style, and accuracy of these accounts made our duties easy of performance.

GEORGE A. PRICE,  
J. W. WILLETT,  
JOHN B. INMAN,  
*Committee of Audit.*

Comrade MEDBERY. Move it be accepted.

(Motion seconded.)

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. I suspect that the question, without motion, would be upon the approval of this report. Those who are in favor of the approval of the report of this committee will say "aye." Those who are opposed will say "no." The ayes have it, and the report is approved and spread upon the record.

Does any member of the council know of any other matter that should come before the council at this time and that requires action by the council?

Comrade WILT. I think in some cases we have taken action by approving all that the commander in chief and the executive committee have done in making the arrangements for the entertainment, etc., at this encampment at Des Moines. If that is in order, I think perhaps we might do that here—approve his action taken in reference to those things.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. That is well to do, but it is customary to make a motion here to approve the entire actions of the administration for the past year on the part of the commander in chief and his officers.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The Chair will entertain a motion of that character.

Comrade WILT. I move that this council of administration approve the action of the commander in chief and the executive committee in all matters they have performed for the past year.

Comrade LUCE. Second the motion.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion, that the action of the commander in chief and the executive committee during the past year be in all things approved. Are you ready for the question? Those who favor its adoption will say "aye." Those who are opposed will say "no." The ayes have it. It is carried unanimously.

Is there anything further? Some of the members of the council are veterans in this service and ought to know at once and offhand whether or not there is anything else that would be proper and appropriate to come up at this time. For instance, Comrade Wetherbee, Comrade Wilt, Comrade Harry Beach, Comrade Inman, Comrade the next commander in chief—

Comrade WILLETT. I see you looking at me over the top of your spectacles. I don't think there is anything to do but to adjourn, to

meet, if necessary, at the call of the commander in chief. We are still a council of administration until such time as the administration closes. An emergency might arise that would necessitate an assembling of the council of administration.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrade Willett, do you make that motion?

Comrade WILLETT. I make the motion——

Comrade LUCE. Second the motion.

Comrade WILLETT (continuing). That we adjourn to meet at the call of the commander in chief.

The SENIOR VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion that we adjourn to meet at the call of the commander in chief should an emergency arise rendering it necessary. Those who are in favor of the motion will say "aye." Those who are opposed will say "no." The ayes have it. The motion is adopted, and we stand adjourned. (3.15 p. m.)



**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF  
ADMINISTRATION, HELD AT THE HOTEL FORT DES  
MOINES, DES MOINES, IOWA, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29,  
1922.**

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The new council of administration met on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Fort Des Moines at 3 o'clock p. m., Friday, September 29, 1922, pursuant to the call of the commander in chief.

Upon roll call the following members of the council were found to be present:

Commander in Chief J. W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.

Adj. Gen. John P. Risley, Des Moines, Iowa.

Q. M. Gen. Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

Comrade Cos Altenberg, of Arkansas.

Comrade C. B. Wilson, of California and Nevada.

Comrade W. H. Comstock, of Colorado and Wyoming.

Comrade Harry L. Beach, of Connecticut.

Comrade William Kelley, of Delaware.

Comrade A. P. Rounsevell, of Florida.

Comrade G. E. Whitman, of Georgia and South Carolina.

Comrade George F. Kimery, of Idaho.

Comrade John B. Inman, of Illinois.

Comrade Richard H. Tyner, of Indiana.

Comrade E. W. Phillips, of Kansas.

Comrade Basile Ulgere, of Louisiana and Mississippi.

Comrade Edward A. Butler, of Maine.

Comrade John H. Brandt, of Maryland.

Comrade Edwin F. Morrill, of Massachusetts.

Comrade H. A. Chapin, of Michigan.

Comrade Silas H. Towler, of Minnesota.

Comrade John M. Williams, of Missouri.

Comrade John Reese, of Nebraska.

Comrade Frank Briden, of New Jersey.

Comrade George A. Price, of New York.

Comrade J. Andrew Wilt, of Pennsylvania.

Comrade John Middleton, of the Potomac.

Comrade John A. Medbery, of Rhode Island.

Comrade Henry W. Charter, of Utah.

Comrade E. B. Heimstreet, of Wisconsin.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The roll call shows a quorum present, comrades. We will now proceed to the business of the hour. The first order of business is to determine who shall constitute the executive committee.

Comrade KELLEY. Don't the law say who shall be the committee?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The law provides who shall constitute the council of administration, but the first order of business is to

determine the executive committee, and that the law does not provide, but permits us to determine. Heretofore the executive committee of the council of administration has consisted of the commander in chief, the senior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and seven members to be appointed by the commander in chief from the council of administration. The Chair will entertain a motion that such individuals shall constitute the executive committee.

Comrade KELLEY. I move that the same number be on the executive committee—the officers and seven elected members.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. The Chair can not entertain the motion put in that way.

Comrade INMAN. Commander in Chief, I move you, sir, that the executive committee for the coming year—the current year—consist of the commander in chief, the senior vice commander in chief, the adjutant general, the quartermaster general, and seven members to be appointed by the commander in chief from this council of administration.

(Motion seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard that motion, comrades. Unless a roll call is demanded we will take a viva voce vote. You that are of that mind say “aye.” Contrary, “no.” It is so ordered.

The next thing for the consideration of the committee will be the fixing of appropriations for the use of the various officials of the Grand Army of the Republic for the ensuing year.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. Commander in Chief, in order to expedite matters, I move that they be renewed for this year the same as they were last year.

Comrade INMAN. Including bonds?

Quartermaster General STOWITS. Including bonds—everything complete.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now, that is moved and seconded, and for the information of the council I read:

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief be authorized to draw on the quartermaster general for the sum of \$1,800, or as much thereof as may be necessary, to pay actual traveling expenses; that the salary of the adjutant general be fixed at \$1,200 per year; that the salary of the quartermaster general be fixed at \$500 per year; that the bond of the adjutant general be fixed in the sum of \$1,000, and the bond of the quartermaster general be fixed in the sum of \$5,000, to be executed by surety companies, and the expense thereof to be borne by the national encampment; and that the salary of the custodian of records be fixed at \$300 for the ensuing year.

Are there any remarks? Hearing none, this being an appropriation of funds, I will ask that the roll be called, and each individual member be required to vote thereon.

The roll was then called with the following result:

Ayes—Comrades Altenberg, Wilson, Comstock, Beach, Kelley, Rounsevell, Whitman, Kimery, Inman, Tyner, Phillips, Ulgere, Butler, Brandt, Morrill, Chapin, Towler, Williams, Reese, Briden, Price, Wilt, Middleton, Medbery, Charter, and Heimstreet—26.

Noes—none.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Comrades, the motion is carried by unanimous vote and will be so recorded. The reason your names were called was because it was the appropriation of funds and I wanted the “aye” or “no” of every member present.



Comrade TOWLER. I offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the commander in chief is hereby authorized to employ a secretary at national headquarters at such price as he may deem necessary, and not to exceed \$1,800.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion, comrades. Are there any remarks? We will not call the roll on this. I will simply call your attention to the fact that this is in harmony with what has been done for the past six years or more. Sometimes the full amount has been expended, and at other times not quite so much. During the war it was very difficult to get anyone to serve in the capacity required that was efficient without employing assistance, and in several instances, during the World War, and in times past, the commander in chief in charge has been compelled to go down in his own pocket and furnish the surplus that was required, as I understand it. But I think I can get along with the \$1,800 and have the proper secretary, and I think possibly I can get along with less.

Are you ready for the question? [Calls for the question.] You that are of the opinion that the motion should prevail and the appropriation should be made will signify the same by saying "aye." Contrary, "no." It is a unanimous vote in the affirmative and will be so recorded.

Now, comrades, there is a matter that I want to speak to you about as members of the council of administration. I am not going to be able to get in direct communication at once with your adjutants. This sum that has been set apart for the current expenses of the commander in chief will be exhausted, without doubt, completely, if he makes a visit to substantially a majority or more of the encampments. I think about a dozen of the departments, through representatives, have spoken to me already, and they want the commander in chief to be sure and come to their department in May. Now, I will make up the best itinerary that I can make on the dates that you have got fixed. I wish you would take this matter up with your home boys and delegates and assistant adjutant general, and if I can not make the itinerary harmonious I will call your attention and maybe, like the governor of the State of Missouri, we can make other and different arrangements. That is the best that can be done unless, perhaps, in a certain line of States a substitute for the commander in chief can be sent. That has been done for several years simply because the departments will not heed after they have fixed a time and they insist on their time, and then, just as like as not, are vexed because the commander in chief did not reach them. I refer to this because I don't want any sore places. I have made but very few sore spots in my campaign and the campaign that was made by my department for this position, and I want to serve you all as near alike as I can. But we can not do the superhuman, although in physical strength we might be compared to that kind of a man. We will do the best we can.

Now, there is another matter of deep concern, and that is an executive committee. In this connection may I ask you, Comrade Heimstreet, whether your department has agreed upon an aid-de-camp?

Comrade HEIMSTREET. They have not. A good many of them went home yesterday and since. The first of the week we will probably hold a meeting in Milwaukee, and I think probably it would be better to leave it until that meeting and let them decide, unless you wish——

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. No. I want an early decision, however.

Comrade HEIMSTREET. I think we can get it to you by next Thursday.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is the wish of the commander in chief that you do not delay that very long.

Comrade HEIMSTREET. We will get an answer here by next Thursday.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Being very desirous of making the encampment a grand success in the city of Milwaukee, and realizing the necessity of somebody—as I told them, I wanted the senior aid-de-camp located in Milwaukee or so near that he could get there at all times—that was a live wire and not a wooden man, and that understood something about military affairs, to help us make it a success in their home city, and that is why I made this inquiry of Comrade Heimstreet, and I have submitted the matter to the delegation from Wisconsin to select for me the man. So, if you do not get a good one it will not be the fault of the commander in chief.

Now, the next thing in order will be the selection of an executive committee; and in the selection of an executive committee, comrades, I wish you to bear in mind that I want to have every part of this great country of ours represented on that committee, save and except that for an emergency we must have an executive committee that it won't cost 80 acres of good Iowa land to convene. Therefore, the majority of the committee will be located within reasonable call.

The members of the executive committee—we will start with the Middle States and the Empire State of New York and name Comrade George A. Price, the octogenarian that sits in front holding that cigar so gently and adroitly between his thumb and finger, of New York, as representing that part of the Middle States.

And then the great State of Pennsylvania and its surrounding country will be represented by my old friend and comrade, J. Andrew Wilt, who is the youngest chicken in the pot, he claims. He claims to be the youngest soldier. I don't know how near he is correct.

Comrade WILT. I make no claims. Inman is much younger than I am.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. In lieu of Comrade Americus Whedon, who is deceased, and another comrade served out his time, the Department of the Potomac have selected a comrade by the name of Middleton. You see, there is a fellow that is a singed cat. I have selected him as another member.

Representing New England, and particularly the land of wooden nutmegs, my old friend and comrade, Harry L. Beach, will do the honors, please. Is that satisfactory, my dear boy?

Comrade BEACH. Perfectly so.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Now I come to the State of Minnesota, and I have settled upon Comrade Towler, this gentleman sit-



ting here. I hope you will consent to service, because it is not very far to the sloughwater districts of America.

Comrade TOWLER. I will do the best I know how.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Representing the Mississippi Valley, in the State that is known because of its longitudinal direction north and south, exceeding most any other unless it is Texas, my old friend and comrade, John B. Inman, is also called upon to serve.

Now, the other member, I have not yet determined who it will be. But those members of the committee constitute six. I don't know just what State that will go to. Yes; I have made up my mind that I will settle it now. I think the Pacific coast ought to be represented, although we won't expect him to travel across the continent to an executive committee meeting unless it is such an emergency that we can not get along without him—my old friend Comrade Charlie Wilson, of Los Angeles, Calif. That makes the seventh member.

Now, I have done the best I could to scatter these boys around and put up a committee that I could call upon; and I want you to understand, those of you who have been selected on this executive committee, that when you are notified, should occasion arise, as it did in the days of Comrade Hall, of Ohio, who succeeded upon the decease of Comrade Bell, that it was necessary that the executive committee meet, I don't want any excuse unless it is an unavoidable matter that will prevent you from coming, if you are called upon to meet in executive committee.

You will observe that the senior vice is located in Texas, one of the members of the committee located in Los Angeles, a long ways from the seat of war. Others are located in Pennsylvania, New York, and Connecticut, but the way the roads run they can reach the destination very quickly, and we can get a majority right around in a circle, so that we may not call on those who are in a remote part of the country.

Now, is there anything further that you can think of, comrades?

Comrade WILT. Heretofore we have always appropriated the sum of \$200 to edit and arrange the Journal, and I move that we appropriate \$200 to pay for the editing and arrangement of the Journal of this encampment.

Comrade TOWLER. To the retiring adjutant.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Yes; it is the retiring adjutant.

Comrade MIDDLETON. It has always been the custom of the encampment to provide for editing the Journal. That has been overlooked, and I think the comrade's motion is a very good one.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You have heard the motion, and that is in accordance with our custom, that \$200 be appropriated for the preparation of the Journal. Are there any remarks? Of course, we expect the retiring adjutant general to collate it.

Comrade WILSON. Does that cover the expense of the stenographer?

Comrade INMAN. That is another proposition.

Quartermaster General STOWITS. That has got nothing to do with this reporter. We haven't a stenographer; we have a reporter.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. You that are of the opinion that this motion should prevail will say "aye." Contrary, "no." It is so

ordered. Should we make an appropriation, Mr. Quartermaster, for the reporter?

Quartermaster General STOWITS. Sure.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. He is an Iowa man and loves the Grand Army, or else I think probably we might have to pay more money. I will entertain a motion for an appropriation for the reporting.

Comrade TOWLER. I move an appropriation of \$200 to pay the reporter of the encampment.

Comrade ROUNSEVELL. Second the motion.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Any remarks? You that are of that mind will signify the same by saying "aye." Contrary? It is so ordered. Is there anything further?

Comrade WILT. Move that we adjourn to meet at the call of the commander in chief.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. It is moved and seconded that the council of administration do now adjourn to meet at the call of the commander in chief. You that are of that mind say "aye." Contrary?

(The motion prevailed, and at 3.35 o'clock p. m. the meeting stood adjourned.)





# UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS CAMP FIRE AND PARADE

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RUFUS L. CHASE  
Senior Aid-de-Camp





**RECEPTION AND SEMIOFFICIAL MEETING OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC AND OF ITS ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS HELD IN THE COLISEUM, DES MOINES, IOWA, MONDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 25, 1922.**

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RUFUS L. CHASE, PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDER OF IOWA, PRESIDING.

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Comrade CHASE. Comrades of the Grand Army, allied societies, and friends, you all play golf and you know what a runner-up means. I am not to speak. I am to simply run up until I find the speakers. I am simply to announce the speakers. But before I do that I want to have the pleasure of saying one word myself.

For over 40 years I have been going from the East to the West, the North, and the South attending national encampments. I have always talked about the city of Des Moines and many a time I have been asked, "When are you going to invite us?" Our first invitation came last year in Indianapolis, and I want to tell you, comrades, the dream has come true with me, and it is the happiest night I have ever enjoyed. [Applause.]

Now, instead of talking I am going to lay out the program of the week—that is, as far as the Grand Army is concerned—and I want each of you to be a committee of one to tell your comrades and members of the allied organizations.

To-morrow is what we call patriotic day in the city of Des Moines in our public schools. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon in every grade school in this city the children have prepared patriotic exercises, and the high schools, East High is at 12 o'clock and North High at 11 o'clock. Now, comrades, I am going to ask you all to visit some of our public schools to-morrow. Now, you know what it means. Here is one time I am going to digress.

I remember of standing on the streets of Albany, where I was born, and seeing a parade go by with soldiers of three wars in it—the Revolution, 1812, and the Mexican War—and I remember telling father, "I hope I can be a soldier." Now, that is what I want you to instill into the minds of these children here in Des Moines to-morrow, that everyone can say in their hearts that they want to be a soldier if it is necessary to protect that flag. [Applause.]

At 3 o'clock at the Clyde Herring home there will be a reception given by the ladies' organizations. It is published in all the papers, and you can get out there by hailing any automobile man or the street cars running on Ingersoll Avenue to Thirty-fifth Street. You get off there and automobiles will meet you. Now that is as far as we go until evening.



I want you to remember that to-morrow night at 8 o'clock at the State capitol Governor Kendall, the State officers, and members of the organizations that belong to us will give a reception in the State capitol. Now, we want you all to go, friends. Go over there and shake hands with the governor and see our beautiful capitol. Go there and see the flags that the Iowa troops fought under. And after this reception we are going to give you the best display of fireworks we have ever had in the city of Des Moines, right there near the soldiers' monument. That is Tuesday night.

Wednesday morning we parade. It is not necessary for me to discuss that at all, as I know every soldier that is here in Des Moines to-night, if he is able, will walk; and if he is not able, we propose to furnish automobiles and haul him to the capitol, where the parade disbands.

Now, friends, those are all the public meetings we have to give the Grand Army. You know Thursday morning we go into official session in this hall. Now, Commander in Chief, shall I invite the comrades here that are not delegates to be sure and come in and fill up this gallery?

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Very well.

Comrade CHASE. Come in and hear a commander in chief's address once, comrades. Come in and hear the reports of the officers.

One word about automobiles. You can not stand on the sidewalk and have an automobile stop for you, because they don't know whether you want to ride or not. But you can go out and hold up your hand, and I don't know of a man or woman in the city of Des Moines but what will give an old soldier a ride. [Applause.]

Now, another thing. It is not necessary to tell you, but the street car company says that every man that has a button or badge on his breast rides free. We have tickets for the wives and the widows of old soldiers. They ride free. Now, comrades, just call on the automobiles. I want you to all go away satisfied with our management. [Applause.]

(Audience called up by the gavel.)

Our chaplain in chief will now offer prayer.

Chaplain in Chief GEORGE B. SMITH, of Minneapolis, Minn. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Thou are the author of every good gift and every perfect gift; we thank Thee for Thy watchful care over us, that Thou hast brought so many of us together in safety. We thank Thee for these pleasant, comfortable circumstances in which we are placed.

We thank Thee, O Lord, for our land which Thou hast given us. We thank Thee that in the fullness of Thy time Thou didst bring over to our shores those who established in this land civil and religious liberty; and we thank Thee, O Lord, that Thou hast so guided the people of this land that they have kept alive the institutions which were first planted, and that our country has remained a united and undivided country.

We thank Thee, O Lord, in every time of need that the people of our land have arisen to the necessities that were placed upon them and our institutions have been maintained; and we pray, O Lord, that Thou wouldst continue to guide us as we need Thy guidance; that Thou wouldst help us to seek that wisdom which cometh from

above, which is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, easy to be entreated, full of mercy, and of good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

Wilt Thou lead us, O Lord, as Thou seest we need, that we may be a people whose God is the Lord, and may our land with all of its institutions not only be continued but may it be enlarged. May they be enlarged in their varied influences, so that all the influences which go forth unto the nations of the earth may be such as will be beneficial, and that we may be the instrument in Thy hand of being a source of great good unto the nations of the earth.

Since Thou hast so highly favored us, for of those unto whom much is given Thou dost require much, we pray now, O Lord, for Thy blessing to rest upon us as Thou seest we need; and when we separate wilt Thou bring us again to our homes in safety and in peace. And may we, as the Grand Army of the Republic, and all of these allied organizations, grow in strength. Although we may be thinning year by year, may we grow in mental and in spiritual strength, so that we may be a source of good unto those who follow us.

Bless, we pray Thee, the youth of our land. Help them to walk in the paths of truth and righteousness, and may they love our land and all of its institutions.

All of which we ask in the name of Him who taught us to say:

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Comrade CHASE. Comrades, there is one notice I failed to give. Wednesday evening in this coliseum is going to be what we call our big campfire—this is a small one, you know—at which time Governor Kendall will be one of the speakers, our commander in chief another, MacNider, of the Legion, another, and last, but not least, our old friend, Corporal Tanner. [Applause.] Now we want you all to come that can get in.

Now I have a great pleasure. As the old soldiers stepped out of public office in this State we commenced to put in the sons of veterans, and the four main officers of this State to-day are all Sons of Veterans. [Applause.] I have the pleasure of introducing the Governor of the State of Iowa, a son of a veteran, Nathan E. Kendall. [Applause.]

Hon. NATHAN E. KENDALL, Governor of Iowa. Mr. Chairman, and men and women of America, as the chief executive of the State, I come, representing every man, woman, and child within its borders, to convey the cordial greetings of Iowa to this great and magnificent company assembled at this encampment. [Applause.]

Mr. Commander in Chief, we have in this imperial Commonwealth two and a half millions of the most progressive, the most intelligent, the most patriotic people beneath the Stars and Stripes [applause], and I vocalize the spontaneous sentiment which animates everyone of them when I extend to you and to all your associates a genuine Hawkeye welcome to the hearts and homes of Iowa. Years ago in



a striking epigram, compounded equally of pride and truth, one of our eminent men said:

Of all that is good, Iowa affords the best.

[Applause.]

I am authorized to advise you what you have, of course, already observed, that we have much of good, and to assure you that while you remain our honored guests, all that we have of the best is yours by absolute fee simple title. [Applause.] You will need no keys, for there are no locks. Every door is opened wide, and you will offend our generous sensibilities only by missing our abundant hospitality. [Applause.]

Venerable men of the Grand Army of the Republic, the circumstances under which you foregather here are peculiarly auspicious. Your comrade nurses of the old time are with you—those angels of mercy who ministered to your distress in the dreary hospitals of pain. Your noble auxiliaries attend—those splendid women who are so efficiently perpetuating the memory of your distinguished service. Your stalwart sons and gentle daughters are here, subscribing anew their fealty to the great principles your heroism established. To all of these we offer the amenities of this great occasion.

This week Iowa enjoys a distinction altogether without precedent. Who are these men to whom we proffer our profoundest tribute? What prime good have they achieved? What dire evil have they averted? A little more than three score years ago this virile Nation of ours, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal, entered upon a tremendous struggle to determine the question whether it or any nation so conceived and so dedicated could preserve its own integrity among the nations of the earth. In that infinite ordeal which wrenched and almost wrecked the Republic, these men who are before me here to-night answered that great question on a multitude of battlefields in the language of immortality, in the fear of God, and in the presence of the nations. [Applause.]

They were on every tedious march, in every sweltering trench, at every deadly charge—always to the front and never to the rear; and they did not furl their flags nor sheath their swords nor stack their guns until the last armed enemy of their country had unconditionally surrendered. [Applause.] And then, when the cause of freedom had finally prevailed, when the spirit of rebellion was completely subdued, when the Union of the States was irrevocably established, they modestly discarded the uniforms they had rendered immortal, silently substituted the implements of peace for the armaments of war, and quietly resumed the employments of civil citizenship.

That was an average lifetime ago. The more than six decades which have intervened since that April afternoon when the knightly Lee tendered his burnished blade to the chivalrous Grant, have been busy with our cherished veterans. The hair will whiten with increasing age, the brow will wrinkle with augmenting care, the step will falter with oncoming time. Their ranks have been debilitated by disease and decimated by death. The departed are embalmed in a Nation's sacred shrine; the surviving are embraced in



a country's fervent love. [Applause.] We humbly thank a gracious God that these yet remain to instruct by precept, to inspire by example.

It is impossible to characterize the veterans of the Civil War except by language which in any other connection would be condemned as inexcusable extravagance, for they were the anointed sons of light, commissioned from on high to overthrow the apostate powers of darkness. In our innermost souls we love them all, and we delight to acknowledge our transcendent obligation to the men who preserved this Republic when it was assailed by open treason at the South and attacked by covert disloyalty at the North. [Applause.]

They are the most resplendent stars in all the firmament of our humanity. Not the hope of conquest, not the ambition of office, nothing but the most disinterested patriotism, only the most unselfish loyalty, induced their enlistment in the great army of righteousness. The historian of the great future will not discover in all the annals of the past a more inspiring illustration of human grandeur than that presented by the Volunteer soldiers of America who suppressed the insurrectionary foes of their Government upon the crimson battlefields of the Civil War. [Applause.]

The most distinguished preferment that ever was bestowed upon me is the privilege I now embrace—to welcome to the great and loyal State of Iowa the Grand Army of the Republic of the United States and its auxiliaries. God bless you all. [Great applause.]

Comrade CHASE. I tell you, you people who do not live in Iowa, do not know how we envy Governor Kendall and that voice of his. You can always hear him when you can't hear the rest of us.

Now it is my great pleasure to introduce the mayor of the city of Des Moines, who will welcome you to this city. Mayor Garver.

MAYOR CARLTON M. GARVER. Mr. Chairman, Mr. Commander in Chief, members of the Grand Army of the Republic and of the Woman's Relief Corps, the governor has left little to be said, but we have to do this time and again. He speaks first and he says it all and does not leave anything for me. So I will have to read mine—I can not talk it like he does—if you don't mind.

It has been given to Des Moines to entertain many conventions and gatherings, and in the recent past she has played host to meetings of this same general character in a manner which has caused her fame as a hospitable city to spread throughout the length and breadth of the land. All of these meetings and conventions have been welcome. We of Des Moines pride ourselves that we know how to entertain the stranger among us. But while we have welcomed these strangers and guests and were pleased to minister to their wants, that welcome and pleasure pales into insignificance when compared to the pleasure which animates us in extending a welcome to you.

I have said that we liked to entertain the stranger among us. We also like to entertain our friends and acquaintances, and we class each and every one of you among our friends, and we feel that we are acquainted with you all. We know your deeds and service to Old Glory and to our great country of which it is the emblem. We



know that you did not hesitate to give your all—life if need be—in the hour of your country's peril. So we know that your country is our country, and what you did was not alone for yourselves but for us and all the succeeding generations. So we feel—no, we know—that we are acquainted with you, and because we are acquainted with you and know you are our friends, our hearts are overflowing with gratitude and pleasure in being able, by our hospitality, in some measure to convey to you that you are welcome—yes, thrice welcome.

We hope your stay may be pleasant and that your conduct here will be such as to rekindle and renew our patriotism and love of country, that we may resolve to dedicate anew our lives to the upholding and support of our Government and its institutions. Again I bid you on behalf of the people of the city of Des Moines a hearty welcome.

Among other things that the city of Des Moines and the people in Iowa are proud of, the main thing is lack of poverty in this State. We have but few millionaires, not very many rich men, but in this whole State we haven't any poverty. Nobody goes hungry out here. We raise enough so that everybody can have plenty to eat. We don't always have enough to wear, perhaps, but we do have the rest of it. And we don't want anybody to go hungry while he is in Des Moines.

I know the audience that I am speaking to will commit no crimes, but if you should speed your automobile up a little bit and somebody should speak to you about it, why, come over and see me and I will take care of you. I think that is all. [Applause.]

Comrade CHASE. My time is getting short now. I want to make this announcement. They have just sent word they are gathering all the automobiles in this city that they can get hold of to take you home after this meeting. Now, we are going to do all we can, comrades. One word now before I introduce the next speaker.

Fifty-six years ago the 24th day of September, the Department of Iowa was organized—the third one organized in a national encampment; so you see, comrades, this is our fifty-sixth anniversary.

Now I am going to introduce to you the commander of our department, Commander L. J. Kron.

Department Commander L. J. KRON, of Hampton, Iowa. Mr. Chairman, commander in chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and allied societies, to-night it is my great privilege to appear in this Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Iowa, and receive the commander in chief. There is no use for me to undertake to advance much of a speech to you, following, as I do, such men as have spoken to you to-night. But I want the commander in chief to understand that he is greeted with welcome; that we want to acknowledge the honor of his and your presence here; and that we want him to feel that this department receives him with open hearts. I will not take any of your time in addressing you, but I want on behalf of the Department of Iowa and all its auxiliaries to extend the thanks and gratitude of these bodies for coming to this city. I ask you all to rise in your places and assist me in giving three cheers to the commander in chief. [Applause.] Have no fear; let the wind out, comrades. [Three rousing cheers to the commander in chief given by the audience, Department Commander Kron leading.]



Comrade CHASE. I wish to state now that our glee club has arrived and will favor us with some music.

(The Chamber of Commerce Glee Club sang "Onward, Christian Soldiers," and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." These numbers were vociferously applauded.)

Comrade CHASE. Now comes the time that I shall simply mention the name of the comrade that is going to preside for the rest of this meeting. As I told you, I was a runner-up. Now I am going to introduce the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Lewis S. Pilcher, who will preside. [Great applause, the audience rising.]

Commander in Chief PILCHER. For four days it has been my privilege to pass up and down the streets of Des Moines, and I have been here as your representative, my comrades; I have been here as your guest, my friends. We thank you, Governor Kendall; we thank you, Mayor Garver; we thank you, Department Commander Kron, for the words of welcome with which you have greeted us here to-night.

Iowa—the land of farms, the land of rivers, the land prolific of the best gifts of an all-merciful God! Iowa, the central gem of all these States, uniting in itself all that was dreamed of when our forefathers made and signed that wonderful declaration which announced to the world the new basis upon which a new people, upon which a new Nation was to be founded; and here, I know that, in its finest fiber, its most brilliant aspects, its most attractive form, is found the fullest development of the Declaration of Independence.

Oh, that I might apostrophize what I have felt and what I have seen, the future which I look for from the spirit which pervades this country. And now you have asked us to come here, asked us to come here to the State out of which came a Dodge, a Curtis, a Crocker—aye, and many others; a State which poured out its blood at Wilsons Creek, a State which won the field at Pea Ridge, a State whose men were in the front at Donelson, a State whose men ever have been known as the most valiant of the soldiers of the Nation.

You have asked us to come here, and we come here, not so much to receive your plaudits, but we come here to pay our respects to those men, our comrades, who helped us so manfully 60 years ago.

This is not my hour. You are here for other purposes. It is my privilege to guide, for a few moments during the remaining hours of our assembly, the program of the evening. The interest which you have is exemplified in this wonderful assembly. Never, never has such an assembly as this, I am assured; never, never, I am sure out of my own consciousness, has such an assembly as this been gathered within these walls. Let us then give our ears as well as we may to the words of welcome and of greeting which are to be given to us by these, the auxiliaries of the Grand Army of the Republic.

A peculiarity attends this meeting. It is this: For many years there have risen and grown about us auxiliaries which have shared in our aims, which have brought strength to our efforts, and which have encouraged us in all our work. They ask for an opportunity of speaking, bringing to their parent body their greetings upon the occasion of these annual encampments, and it is for that purpose, that to the Grand Army may be brought by their auxiliaries the greetings that they have, that this meeting is assembled.



And not that only, but that as opportunity may offer they may give—may exchange greetings between themselves so that when they go to their business sessions, those sessions may be carried on without the interruption which would occur from the coming in at various times of visiting bodies now becoming so numerous. So that then this one meeting is the time, is the hour when we shall exchange between the auxiliary societies and the parent societies the greetings of the year's history. This is the hour of greeting for all the organizations which come here to Des Moines for this encampment week.

And first—

Our hearts are tender with memories of the days when their hands, answering the impulse of their hearts, sought with alacrity to serve the Nation and its defenders. They followed the soldiers with their ministries of love and gentleness into the remotest fields of action, refreshing not the wasted body only but the wearied spirit. They stood by the rude cot of the dying soldier, and to the dimmed eye and wandering mind took on the lineaments of loved ones at home.

These are the words which my loved predecessor, Somers, spoke of the nurses of the Civil War that are still left—some of that angelic number. It is my privilege now to call upon the national president of their body to address you, Mrs. Alice Cary Risley.

(The audience stood and applauded.)

Mrs. ALICE CARY RISLEY, of Columbia, Mo., president of the National Association of Army Nurses. Commander in chief, members of the allied societies, and our comrades, I come to bring you greetings from the Army Nurses of the Civil War. Fifteen of our members have entered the golden gate since we met in Indianapolis. It is a little depressing, but we hope as long as you hold these encampments an Army nurse will be there to bring you greetings. The sunset of the Grand Army of the Republic approaches; the evening shadows deepen with you as with us. There is a tie born in 1861–1865 that will last as long as a comrade and an Army nurse lives. The years of our young womanhood were given to the care of sick and wounded boys—you were boys then and we were girls. The memory of those days can never be effaced. Memory, as we grow older, carries us back to those old days more and more frequently, and I verily believe the desire to meet with our comrades grows with each passing year. Comrades, I hope the grim reaper will stay his hand that we may have many more of these reunions and greetings. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. About 40 years ago the Grand Army began to realize that it was not good to live alone, and our auxiliaries were welcomed to the house. The Woman's Relief Corps sprang up. [Applause.] The ladies of the Grand Army offered their help. [Applause.] And then our daughters came to us [applause] and said, "Let us come in, too." And our sons, not to be left behind, said, "We will organize, and if we organize we will give you more daughters among our auxiliary."

And so now it is my privilege to call upon the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Agnes H. Parker, of Boston, to speak a word of greeting to us.

Mrs. AGNES H. PARKER, of Boston, Mass., national president of the Woman's Relief Corps. Commander in chief, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, your excellency, and friends, I wish



I were the photographer with the camera, I wish I were the governor, or at least possessed a like magnetic voice; I wish I could speak as inspiredly as the commander in chief, then I know you would all be quiet. [Applause.] But you are not going to disappoint us. Usually the woman has the last word, and I believe you are going to be kind to us and let us have it. Aren't you?

Now, then, we are here to bring the greetings of the several allied organizations, not only to the Grand Army of the Republic, but to each other, and as the national president of the Woman's Relief Corps I do as I am bid. And to the Daughters of Veterans, to the Sons of Veterans, to the sons' better half, their auxiliary, to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to these beloved next to the Grand Army, our Army Nurses, I bring greetings. As the mother organization of this family, I wish here to publicly express the appreciation of the Woman's Relief Corps of all that this great State and this wonderful city is doing for our comrades. [Applause.]

When I heard that wonderful address of the governor of this State, and I realized that he was one of your sons, I said. "Indeed, the future of our country is safe." [Applause.] In the city of Washington to-day, in our White House, is a son of a veteran. [Applause.] For years you supplied the Presidents, for years you supplied the Senators and the Congressmen, and I believe that as you go on and out you will be able to look back and see in the various positions your sons, and somewhere in the minor offices your daughters. [Applause.]

I wish to speak for the 200,000 members of the Woman's Relief Corps, made up as it is of mothers, wives, daughters, sisters, nieces, and all those related by ties of blood, and other loyal women. [Applause.] Women who, since 1883, have seen that it was indeed better for a man to have a companion than to walk along alone. Many of our women have so fallen in love with these comrades that they have married them, and they have not been sorry. It is, however—all jesting aside—the future destiny of the Woman's Relief Corps to stand before the public of this great country as the disciples of all that you comrades fought for, and finally lived for, and, yes, died for.

I pay my tribute to the State of Iowa—I learned to say that right—to the citizens of Des Moines, and particularly to those in authority, who have made it possible for us to enjoy this beautiful city and all the comforts that have been given to us. I thank you. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. All the goodness of a town is not concentrated in one family. All the good people do not belong to one church. Forty years ago some of our wives and mothers and sisters and daughters felt that they would be more at home if they should go by themselves and organize to help their husbands and sons in the work of patriotism, and thus arose the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, to speak for whom I will now ask their national president, Mrs. Michener.

Mrs. ANNIE M. MICHENER, of Philadelphia, Pa., national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. Chairman, honored governor, mayor of the city, Commander in Chief Pilcher,



our allied organizations, ladies and gentlemen, it is my pleasure to bring to this body the greetings from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. We are the blood ties of the comrades, the mothers, wives, sisters, and daughters—none closer to a man and nothing thicker than blood. We stand ready to strew flowers in your path; we stand ready at all times to make you comfortable. We love you. We always have loved you and we always will.

Comrade Pilcher, it is my pleasure to present to you this gift. When the flag is taken off of the face, I can add nothing to this but what you know. You have stood shoulder to shoulder, you have fought together, you have played together. To-day it is our work to teach patriotism to the flag that you have given to us. Allow me to present to you, in behalf of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, this photograph.

(Presenting to the commander in chief a large framed photograph of Abraham Lincoln. [Great applause.] Mrs. Michener waves the flag, and the audience stands and cheers.)

National officers of the other allied organizations, please rise. I wish to say to my mother, as I am a Daughter of a Veteran, no doubt many times you have looked into my father's face. Accept these flowers with all my love. Accept this from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. May you live long and be happy.

(Presenting flowers to Mrs. Risley.)

My sister, president of the Woman's Relief Corps, accept this token of love (flowers) from the national president of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

National president of the auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans, we have met many times and had very pleasant talks. Accept this with all my love. (Presenting flowers.)

My daughter, the national president of the Daughters of Veterans, accept this with all my love, and may your path be as bright as the flowers.

My son, I will say to this audience that the Ladies of the Grand Army stand ready at all times to help build up the organization of the Sons of Veterans. Accept this. I hope that you will enjoy it. (Handing Commander in Chief Ireland a package.)

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. What could be more appropriate at such a moment as this than the portrait of Abraham Lincoln. [Applause.] I thank you, Madam President. I shall cherish it as long as I live, and I trust that the boy that receives it when I shall have gone, who, like his father, has followed the flag and borne the heat and burden of the contest for the honor of his land, shall himself treasure it. [Applause.]

When a young man takes to himself a wife, the worst thing that he can do is to ask his mother to come and live with them. [Laughter.] It is sure to make trouble. The old folks live in the past; the young ones look toward the future. They have a different standard; they live in a different world. Hence the propriety of our sons and our daughters having their own organizations.

For the Daughters of Veterans I will now ask their national president, Miss Benson, to speak. [Applause.]

Miss LOUISE M. BENSON, of Oakland, Me., president of the National Alliance, Daughters of Veterans. Commander in chief, comrades of



the Grand Army, allied organizations, and friends, it is my happy privilege to bring to-night the greetings from an organization composed wholly of the daughters and granddaughters of the Union veterans of 1861-1865. Some of our members can remember those stirring days in the sixties; some of them saw their fathers in the country's uniform marching forth to war. Some of our members have but little realization of what it meant when they said, "My father was a soldier," little realized what the doer risked and sacrificed until in recent times we lived through the days of an actual war, when we saw strong young men marching away to danger, to possible death, and when we knew that some of those marching out would never come back. Then we realized more fully than we could before what our fathers had done, how brave they were when they volunteered their service in a righteous cause.

We are proud of our fathers. We are proud of this organization, the Grand Army of the Republic. And because we can not do much as compared with what you did, we love, each year at the national encampment, to make them a little gift. This year our membership is larger than ever before, and we are pleased to make our gift to you a little larger than it has been before. I have been directed to lay this package on the desk of the commander in chief, and I think he will understand when he opens it that it is an attempt of the Daughters of Veterans to show their love for their fathers. When you open it, Commander in Chief, I think you will understand what we mean. It is our message to our fathers.

And to the Association of Army Nurses I also have a gift and a message from the daughters of the men to whom you ministered, for whom you did so much. We give you our love, and also this little gift (\$100) to show our interest in your organization.

To the Woman's Relief Corps, to the Ladies of the Grand Army, to the Sons of Veterans and their auxiliary, we have the same message for you all, because you are all working with and for our fathers, the Grand Army of the Republic, and we can wish nothing better for all of you than that you may continue with the same growth and good works as you have in the past. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Mrs. Risley wishes to correct what possibly may have been a misapprehension from an incorrect newspaper statement. This gift which she has received is not for her personally, but it is for all her coworkers of the Army Nurses' Association.

I don't know what is in this. It is either a set of handkerchiefs or some neckties, I am not sure which. I'll find out and then I will properly thank the donor thereof. If it should prove to be a silver-plated soup spoon, I would know how to use it.

My eyes have been opened during this year to the worth and the work and the importance of one of our organizations which I wish to commend especially to your sympathy and to your help. Let me call on the Hon. Clifford Ireland, commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans. [Applause.]

Hon. CLIFFORD IRELAND, of Peoria, Ill., commander in chief of the Sons of Veterans. Commander in Chief, your excellency, your honor, and members of the allied patriotic societies, the thought just struck me as I was walking up the aisle from the flag here, and I



only have an original thought every 99 years, that perhaps it might be easier to mention every person in the audience by name in addressing them than to mention the dignitaries on the rostrum to-night. It would be a lesser job, and I make that statement by way of apology for not mentioning more that are up here.

Commander in Chief, I am at a loss to compete with the eloquence that has preceded me. I think they have all beggared the English language in their eulogies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and correctly so. But in my humble capacity I think I should be derelict in a very pleasurable duty if I failed to voice the sentiment of all the guests of Des Moines, from the Grand Army of the Republic down to my own humble organization, in telling you of our appreciation of the masterful manner in which you have provided for our every enjoyment and entertainment while in your beautiful city, and the wonderful and masterful manner in which you have carried it all out. [Applause.] That the Grand Army of the Republic and its subsidiary organizations are deeply appreciative and deeply grateful to you.

I have always wondered why Iowa was the greatest State in the Union, next to Illinois. [Applause.] To-night I find ample proof so patent that I feel not quite at liberty to mention it lest I might in some way destroy the reputation of my own State in so doing.

I was thinking a moment ago, along with the thought that Iowa was somewhat of a State, why this was the best country to live in, why our citizenry is the most loyal on earth, why we love our land, our country, and our flag, and our adoration of it all is so sincere, and I just thought perhaps—not perhaps, but of a surety—that it was because of the example, the principle, the precept, which we endeavor to follow, of the Grand Army of the Republic, which has always typified the best citizenry of this country and molded it to its present success. [Applause.]

I hold the Grand Army of the Republic almost equally to blame for the success of American arms across the water in the late war [applause], because the boys in khaki welded that wonderful record they made into history because they had been trained by that father or grandfather in citizenry and loyalty and love of flag and bravery and courage, and the success of the khaki to-day is because the boys in blue made the khaki a possibility. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief, I regret that this recreant organization that I have the honor to so feebly represent brought you no physical tributes of our adoration. Perhaps in a private way and up some alley some night we may repent and perhaps make amends for our apparent oversight to-night. I know it useless to vie with the organizations so totally dominated by the dominating feature of the citizenry of this country—the women of the United States. I should not attempt to do so, and the governor and the mayor have robbed me of anything I might want to say to you that was original. I can simply reiterate what my distinguished predecessors in office have said to your predecessors each year. We bring the same fealty, the same loyalty, the same allegiance, the same love and affection that we have carried for you for years and shall carry to the end of time.

The Grand Army of the Republic will always remain an obsession of love and affection to the Sons of Veterans of the United States of America. As the Grand Army of the Republic grows younger



and the Sons of Veterans grow more sensible I believe we grow closer together, and that perhaps that grand affection we hold for the parent order is in some measure reciprocated.

I can not leave the platform to-night without saying to you all that the most wonderful year of progress for the Sons of Veterans has been largely made possible by the wonderful, beneficent, affectionate, far-seeing character of the chief executive of the Grand Army of the Republic of this year, Dr. Pilcher. No more splendid, no closer, relations could have possibly existed between our own order and the parent order we all adore, and that has been so easy of accomplishment because of the gracious manner in which we have been treated by your commander in chief. We shall always remember that. We shall cherish it in our hearts much longer than we may hope that you may live, and we hope that you will live to be 108. God bless you. [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. Our boys, when they had gone out and started for themselves and were doing pretty well, thought they could do no better than to follow the example of their fathers and get a helper, and so we have the Auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans. It will be our pleasure now to listen to the national president of that auxiliary, Mrs. Margaret Patterson Stephens. [Applause.]

Mrs. MARGARET PATTERSON STEPHENS, of Cincinnati, Ohio, national president of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary. Mr. Chairman, Commander in Chief, your excellency the governor, allied organizations, and friends, I am getting rather used to talking to vanishing audiences, because, as a usual thing, I am the last one on the program, and by that time they are tired out and ready to go. I want to say, though, that I was very proud to find that the other half of the branch of the family to which I belong was so popular.

We are very proud of our Sons of Veterans, but we are here this evening to talk to the Grand Army of the Republic and to bring to them our love and greetings; and I, as the national president of the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, representing 27,000 loyal girls, bring Doctor Pilcher and the members of the Grand Army of the Republic our love, and hope you will have a splendid encampment.

We have been unusually fortunate this year in being able to assist the Grand Army of the Republic in celebrating your General Grant's one-hundredth birthday. It was a memorable year, and as our Commander in Chief Ireland has said, it has been a pleasure to work with your commander in chief. I am unable to tell you how much I think of your commander in chief, Doctor Pilcher. As one of the department presidents said to me, she had such a wonderful department commander to work with, and she said "I wonder whatever happened to me that I should be so fortunate." I said, "Why am I so fortunate as to have working with me your own high Commander in Chief Pilcher?"

Now, I want to say to the Woman's Relief Corps, our mother organization, that we love you equally as well as we do the Grand Army of the Republic—almost. The Army Nurses I believe we love just as well as we do the Grand Army of the Republic, and the other organizations, the Ladies of the Grand Army and the Daughters of Veterans—we are one family together and it seems to me as we grow older that we get a little closer together. Of course, the Sons of Veterans, we sort of tell them on the side a little bit, too,



what we think of them, as we go into their convention and give them our greetings.

Now, I want to give to Commander in Chief Pilcher this bouquet, which tells him a little bit of how much we think of him and the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Down on the inside you will find a little note, Doctor Pilcher. I don't want you to miss that note. [Presenting a handsome bouquet of chrysanthemums.] [Applause.]

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. If the size of the affection is to be estimated by the proportions of the bouquet, I am a very fortunate man. If I have to carry this bouquet home, comrades, I shall want some help. I appreciate it. I wonder what is inside. I will tell you that after I have found out what is inside here. Perhaps it is another handkerchief or necktie.

A COMRADE. If it is a note you may have it to pay.

The COMMANDER IN CHIEF. There are not any of those out to be discounted.

Comrades and friends, all our auxiliaries have presented their compliments. It is for us now to tell them what we think of them and to suggest some lines of work in which they may be useful in the future, and for that purpose there is no one better qualified than that magnificent old soldier, that great representative of the spirit of the Grand Army of the Republic, the senior vice commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade McBride. [Applause.]

Senior Vice Commander in Chief ROBERT W. McBRIDE, of Indianapolis, Ind. Comrades and fellow citizens—and, thank God, when I say that I include the women as well as the men, and it also is sufficient to include the governor and the mayor and all of the dignitaries on the platform. I have been authorized and directed by the commander in chief to extend to our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, and to our allied organizations, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Veterans, the Daughters of Veterans, the Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary, and to our beloved Army Nurses, our thanks, and to express our gratitude for the loving words to which we have listened, and also for the splendid pecuniary remembrances received at their hands; and I think when the commander in chief examines the things he has not yet opened he will find something substantial therein.

Our auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, one of the largest if not the largest woman's patriotic organization in the world [applause], not only comes with loving words but to assure us that it is still our loving helpmeet it brings to us a check for \$1,000. [Applause.] Something substantial about that.

A COMRADE. It is not a necktie.

Judge McBRIDE. Well, I think the commander in chief will find that the necktie will develop into something that might be used to buy neckties. The other organizations, each according to the measure of its ability and means, also contribute to the fund to which we must turn for the maintenance of our organization during its remaining years.

The semiofficial meeting of an encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is in reality a family reunion. The organizations I have named are all called our dependents. They are dependent, how-



ever, only in the sense that they owe their origin and the reason for their existence to the Grand Army of the Republic. In other respects the Grand Army of the Republic acknowledges its dependence on them [applause], for, while the Grand Army of the Republic is approaching the "sere and yellow leaf," they are full of vigor and give promise of lives limited only by the life of the Republic.

As the parent organization, however, the Grand Army of the Republic claims the parental privilege of extending to them advice and admonition. They have it in their power to be influential if not controlling factors in shaping and directing our country's future, and we look to them especially to see that the story of the saving of the Nation in 1861 to 1865 is fairly and truthfully told to coming generations. We expect them to continue the teaching of true and genuine Americanism, including the duty of the citizen to his country in times of peace as well as in times of war, for the Grand Army of the Republic is to-day an army of peace, but, let me assure you, it is not in any sense an army of pacifists. [Applause.]

Fifty-seven years ago the United States might well have been called a great military nation, for at that time the armies commanded by General Grant constituted the greatest military force on earth. No other nation could have put into the field an equal number of men as well equipped, as well disciplined, and as experienced in the art of war. Flushed with victory and led by officers they loved and trusted, it was then if ever our country faced the danger of militarism. The event showed how groundless are the fears of those timid souls who imagine danger to our institutions from the training of our young men in the art of war, that they may be better fitted to be our country's defenders when the need comes. [Applause.]

In this country, peopled and governed as it is, there never has been and there never can be any such danger. Grant's victorious followers literally converted their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, and the development and present prosperity of our great country is in large measure due to what they did when they laid down their arms and returned to civil life. As soldiers they had laid their lives upon the altar of country, and when they resumed the duties of civil life they had acquired a new dignity. They were in all respects better citizens than when they went out.

The only danger to this country in matters relating to war is from unpreparedness caused by the opponents of military training for our young men and from the pacifists and pretended conscientious objectors to all war. I use the term "pretended conscientious objectors" intentionally and advisedly. There never was and never will be an intelligent, an honest, and a sincere man or woman who claims to be an American citizen and who claims the protection of our laws, who can truthfully say that they conscientiously believe all wars are wrong. [Applause.]

We gained our independence and our national existence, as all great Nations have, by the sword. For the student of history knows that in all ages the right to national existence has only been awarded as a prize for heroism on the field of battle. [Applause.] Nations, like men, are born in pain and travail. You, my comrades, saved our Nation and served the world by fighting to a victorious



conclusion a great war. That we might be a great Nation and enjoy its privileges and the protection of its laws, thousands died and other thousands suffered. That was the price they had to pay. We enjoy those privileges and the protection of those laws to-day, not only because they were bought for us by blood and suffering but because other thousands stand ready if need be to suffer and die that they may be maintained. That is the price we all owe and the price we will all willingly pay if we are honest and the need comes.

No honest and conscientious man or woman will repudiate an honest debt. Ask one of these pretended conscientious objectors if our forefathers did wrong in fighting for independence. Ask if you did wrong, my comrades, in fighting that great war which saved our Nation and destroyed human slavery. If the answer is yes, you will have found one who has no soul that is worth saving. The possession of conscience presupposes the possession of a soul and of a measure of intelligence. In the great day of final reckoning it will require an extreme exercise of divine intelligence and divine power to find and save the poor, shriveled, and deformed monstrosity that such a man calls his soul. [Applause.]

It is not conscience but a combination of selfishness and cowardice that makes them repudiate the debt they owe to their country. They know that the rights and the privileges they enjoy were bought for them by others, and that the price paid was suffering and death. They know that they enjoy those rights and privileges under an implied promise that if their country ever needs their services they will in turn suffer and if need be die. They are not able to grasp the great lesson taught on Calvary, that to suffer and die for others is godlike. [Applause.]

The men who answered the call of Abraham Lincoln and served their country during the years from 1861 to 1865 not only served and saved their own country, but they rendered a service to the people of the world beyond possible valuation. They demonstrated that a Nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal has within it those qualities that make for endurance. They taught the world that a Government of the people, by the people, and for the people was not only practicable, but that such a Government had in its elements of strength and of self-preservation not found in any other form of government. [Applause.]

The demonstration of these facts has revolutionized the world. Inspired thereby, the people of the world have asserted themselves. Autocratic forms of government have vanished from the face of the earth. Kingdoms and empires have either disappeared, or where they remain have become so modified that they are all to-day more or less responsive to the will of the people governed.

In recent years—and this is another admonition I want to give to these auxiliary organizations, that they see to the correction or the right recording of history. In recent years there seems to be a growing tolerance on the part of those who should know better, of that characterization of our Civil War that would make it appear to have been a mere trial of strength between certain of the States, instead of being, as it was, a mighty conflict between the Nation on one side fighting for its life, and a great organized con-



spiracy on the other side fighting to destroy it. [Applause.] In so doing, they not only ignore its greatest significance, as a demonstration of the strength of a constitutional free government, but by so doing they place Abraham Lincoln on the same plane with Jefferson Davis. If it was a mere conflict between States, these two men were simply rival heads of the contending factions, while Grant and Lee were merely partisan leaders of the contending forces.

I protest against this falsification of history, this belittling of the significance of our victory, this attempted degradation of Lincoln and Grant, and this slander of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Abraham Lincoln was not the President of a part of the States; he was the President of all of the States, of those that had attempted to secede as well as of those that had not. He was as much the President of South Carolina as he was of Massachusetts or of Iowa. [Applause.] Grant was the commander in chief of the armies of the Nation, and the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, instead of fighting to win a victory over other States, were fighting that the nation might live.

There are times when a sense of duty impels us to criticize persons we admire and esteem. The task is always an ungracious and a disagreeable one. I admire and respect the Vice President of the United States, the Hon Calvin Coolidge. But duty to the memory of Abraham Lincoln, to the memory of Gen. U. S. Grant, to the memory of my comrades, living and dead, and duty to the truth of history, impels me to resent a recent utterance by him. April 27, as the senior vice commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, I took part in the dedication of the Grant Memorial at Washington. The Vice President delivered the principal address, which was eloquent and appropriate, except in its reference to our great Civil War, which he characterized as a "War between the States," with General Grant in chief command of the "northern armies," and General Lee in command of the "southern armies."

Alexander H. Stephens, vice president of the Southern Confederacy, who believed the States had the right to secede, wrote a two-volume history which he styled a history of the "War between the States." A proclamation issued by the Governor of Arkansas, under date of April 1, 1922, was sent me by my friend, Cos Altenberg, who may be here—I know he is in the city—also thus characterizes the Civil War. This can be understood from their viewpoint, which is also the viewpoint of those who still mourn the "lost cause," but it can not be excused when it comes from the Vice President of the United States. [Applause.]

To characterize our Civil War as a war between the States is not only erroneous but the error is vital and fundamental. It ignores the fact that the nation was one of the contending parties, seeking to maintain its existence and enforce its authority. Mr. Lincoln's position was that the United States was not only a nation, but was a indivisible unity. From the beginning of the struggle to its end he adhered to the premises laid down in his first inaugural address, in which he said:

The union of these States is perpetual. \* \* \* No State can upon its mere motion get out of the union.



The collective unity of all the States and their coalescence into a nation was reaffirmed in his Gettysburg address, when he said:

Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new *nation* conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

A little reflection will show that to call the war a war between the States is an admission that Mr. Lincoln was wrong and that the South was right. It could only be considered a war between the States by eliminating the nation as a party. The South contended that the States had the right to secede, and that when a State adopted an ordinance of secession it thereby ceased to be a member of the union, and no longer owed allegiance to it. If that was true, the war was in fact a war between the States; it was a war between the States that remained in the Union and those that by adopting their ordinances of secession had withdrawn from it. Not only so, but if the right of secession existed it follows that when a State seceded it was no longer subject to the jurisdiction of the United States; Mr. Lincoln's action in invading it was downright usurpation, and the war, instead of being a war for the maintenance of the Union, was, upon the part of the South, a war for its independence, and upon the part of the North a war of conquest. If, however, Mr. Lincoln was right, the ordinances of secession were void, and the States adopting them continued thereafter to be members of the Union. Mr. Lincoln, as President of the United States, was at all times as much the President of the Southern States as of the Northern. [Applause.]

The rightful jurisdiction of the United States continued over the Southern as well as over the Northern States, and there were organized bodies of men from every State—South as well as North—fighting for the Union. The war from its beginning, instead of being a war of some of the States against other States, was a contest by the National Government on one side against organized insurrection on the other side.

I have no feeling of enmity or of bitterness toward our brothers of the South, who fought against us in the Civil War. I admire them for the gallantry and courage. I am even proud of the skill and ability of many of their great leaders. They were great men and great soldiers. They were my countrymen who had gone wrong, but I recognize in them Americans who had been educated in our national school of soldiery. I am willing to admit that, while they were wrong—forever wrong—they were conscientious and sincere in their interpretation of the Constitution and in their assertion of their right to secede from and destroy the Union. Their sons and their grandsons have since, side by side with my own sons and grandsons, shared the dangers and the honors of our country's later wars and have shown in fighting for our common country the same gallantry and courage their fathers and their grandfathers showed while fighting against it. They thus, by the lives they gave and the blood they shed in the service of our common country, atoned, as far as they could, for the wrongs done by their fathers.

The Grand Army of the Republic is proud of its record, and is not willing to allow anything to pass unchallenged that either directly or by implication casts a shadow thereon. The United States



is to-day a great and powerful Nation only because of what the members of our organization did in the years from 1861 to 1865. [Applause.] In those fateful years we were making history, and we owe it not only to our comrades, living and dead, but to our country, that the history of that great drama be correctly written, the significance of its events be correctly shown, and that the acts of the persons participating therein be correctly characterized, lest future generations be misled and see therein nothing more than a struggle between sections for the mastery, in which the North proved the stronger.

When our Revolutionary forefathers issued the Declaration of Independence, it was not the independence of a nation they declared but the independence of 13 separate and independent nations. The adoption of the Articles of Confederation was intended to be the creation of a nation, but that nation was lacking in strength and coherence. To remedy its weaknesses they adopted the Constitution by which they bound the States in a Union no power can sever. [Applause.] Thenceforth the United States was a nation in fact, as well as in name, and each State became an integral and an inseparable part thereof. When South Carolina fired upon Fort Sumter, Lincoln's call for troops fell upon our ears like an echo from Webster's reply to the South Carolinian, Hayne, "Liberty and union, now and forever, one and inseparable." [Applause.]

It is not true to history to characterize Mr. Lincoln's call to arms as a call upon certain States to take up arms against certain other States, and yet this is what it was if the war which ensued was a mere war between the States. Instead, it was a call from the head of a nation to the people of that nation to take up arms against its enemies. It is not true that the war which followed was a mere war between the States. There was no war between the States. There was war between the United States and certain persons who sought to destroy the Union of States and build upon its ruins another nation, and these other persons were citizens of the United States, owing allegiance to it. Not only so, but almost without exception they were led by men who had sworn to support its Constitution and its laws. The so-called ordinances of secession were void, and none of the States composing the so-called Confederate States were ever for an instant out of the Union. They were at all times within the Union and subject to its laws.

The English language has words that properly characterize such acts. In the last speech Mr. Lincoln ever made, on the evening of April 11, 1865, he characterized it as "rebellion" [applause], and rebellion it was. The mildest term that can be applied to it is to call it a civil war. But we are untrue to history, we are untrue to our comrades who died in that war, we are untrue to the memory of Abraham Lincoln, we are untrue to the people of the world who have interpreted it as a trial of the strength of a free government, to speak of it as a "war between the States." The implication, and the only legitimate implication from such a statement is, that Mr. Lincoln instead of being the head of a great nation was at the head of a group of States contending for the mastery over another group.

Why not be true to the facts of history, and frankly recognize Appomattox as the end of a gigantic rebellion? Why not be true



to the facts of history, and frankly recognize that Mr. Lincoln, as the head of a great Nation, was simply asserting its just and rightful sovereignty over the States that were attempting to secede and which were integral parts thereof; that the armies called into being by him were the armies of that Nation, and that General Grant should rightfully be designated, and only designated, as the commander in chief of the armies of that great Nation, and not as the mere commander in chief of "the northern armies"? [Applause.]

The insurgents, arms in hand, were denying that they were subject to that sovereignty. In the eyes of the world, whether the United States was a Nation was in doubt. It was only when General Lee surrendered at Appomattox that the world knew the truth that the great war had been no mere struggle between States for mastery; then all men knew that the surrender marked the end of a great insurrection, the end of a gigantic attempt to destroy a nation, and that the nation had triumphed. The world knew that on one side of that great war had been an indissoluble union of States—the United States of America—and on the other side a great organized band of insurgents. The world also learned at that time that a government conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men were created equal—a government of the people, by the people, and for the people—was able to endure a shock under which any other form of government would have ceased to exist.

But what the world did not then know or dream was what that triumph meant to the future welfare of the world. The world did not know what all men now know, that when General Grant and General Lee agreed upon terms of surrender at Appomattox, they were forging the weapon that would strike the deciding blow for the death of military autocracy in a future great world war, and that they were in fact paving the way for the abdication of the Kaiser.

The destinies of nations, as of men, are strangely linked. In 1861 the question was, Shall we let our Nation die or shall we fight that it may live? The men of the Grand Army of the Republic fought that it might live. We little realized, however, the far-reaching consequences of what we did. The world knows to-day that in every campaign and on every battlefield, from Sumter to Appomattox, we were fighting the initial campaign of the great World War. If we had failed, there would have been no great United States to turn the tide of battle. [Applause.] The trail runs straight from Appomattox to the Argonne.

The mention of the Argonne recalls the fact that we have had other wars and have other veterans. There may be in this audience veterans of the World War, members of the American Legion, and if so I wish to say a few words to them. We consider them members of our family. The Grand Army of the Republic is directly responsible for the existence of that organization, because if it were not for that which the members of the Grand Army of the Republic did, there would be to-day no American Legion. We see in them, acting in cooperation with the Sons of Veterans, our Auxiliary, and our allied organizations, the hands that will catch the torch we have carried for more than 50 years, when it falls, as it soon must fall, from our hands.



You boys who carried Old Glory across the ocean, brought it back with new luster added to its folds. We are proud of you and of what you did. Our hearts were made glad at the sight of the sons and grandsons of the men who followed Lee marching shoulder to shoulder with the sons and grandsons of the men who followed Grant, all under the Stars and Stripes, all proud to be known as Americans, and carrying Old Glory to victory. Then we knew that our dead comrades had not died in vain, and that young American manhood was worthy of their sires. [Applause.]

The American Legion has adopted as its slogan "One hundred per cent Americanism." For more than 50 years the Grand Army of the Republic has been conducting a school for the teaching of patriotism and Americanism; a great university with every member of the organization a member of the faculty. We welcome the members of the American Legion, and invite them to become members of our faculty. May they continue the teaching, until every American citizen shall be in fact one hundred per cent American. [Applause.]

Pardon me, however, if I suggest that no mistake be made as to what constitutes "one hundred per cent Americanism." There are many types of Americans, and some grade low in the percentage column. It is not enough that one should be willing to fight for his country; it is not enough that he should be willing to die for it. He should be willing to live for it, and in the manner of his living he should be guided by the spirit as well as by the letter of our Constitution and our laws. The Preamble to the Constitution of the United States is the touchstone. The fathers of the Republic, when they adopted that great document, declared that among the purposes of its adoption were the establishment of justice, the promotion of the general welfare, and the securing of the blessings of liberty. Nothing is or can be one hundred per cent American that does not harmonize with that great charter of liberty.

Whether it be anarchism, sovietism, Bolshevism, sabotage, or I. W. W.ism; whether it be insidious proposals to substitute for our constitutional form of government some form of socialism, or whether it be attempts to arouse antagonistic class feeling among our people and to array class against class, such things, instead of being American, are each and all un-American and anti-American. [Applause.]

The Grand Army of the Republic is the unwavering friend of labor. But both labor and capital, both employer and employee, to be truly American must obey the law and deal justly not only with each other but with the Nation. [Applause.]

It is not American to deny to anyone the right to work at any honest labor because he is not a member of some particular organization. [Great applause.] The right to work is the inalienable right of every American citizen, and such a denial violates one of the fundamental principles upon which our Government rests. Nor is it American to deny to anyone his right to take the place that some one else has vacated, and to do any honest and honorable work that the other man has refused to do, if he and his would-be employer can agree. [Applause.]

The right to quit work at any time is the right of every free man. He may incur liability for damages in some way, but he has the



right to quit work, because he is a free man. It is, however, his individual right. But under the pretext of exercising this individual right, no group of men, for the purpose of compelling an unwilling employer to do something against his will, can lawfully by concerted action block the wheels of commerce and thus threaten the Nation with privation and distress; or for a similar reason combine to hold locked in the chambers of the earth that fuel upon which the people of the Nation must depend for the maintenance of life and comfort. Such acts are not the rightful and individual acts of free men. They are conspiracies against the Nation. [Applause.]

It is not American for those who have undertaken to render a service, the maintenance of which is essential to the public welfare, to ignore the public and engage in controversies between themselves which involve a suspension of that service. In such cases the rights of the public are supreme, and the parties to such controversies should be compelled to settle their disputes without interference with the service to which the public is entitled. [Applause.]

Our great railroad corporations are chartered and granted special rights and privileges that they may serve the public. They accept their franchises under an implied promise that the rights of the public shall be paramount. Their employees in accepting employment necessarily do so under a similar implied promise, because the corporation can not render the service without their help. Yet they engage in petty quarrels which halt that service while the public stands by and suffers. It is not just, and therefore not American, that our lawmakers do not provide for the compulsory, just, and final settlement of such disputes by competent tribunals and thus protect the public. The Supreme Court of the United States has pointed the way and declared that they have ample power to do so.

It is not American for any group or number of groups to coerce or attempt to coerce the lawmaking body into the enactment of laws of any character, and especially laws securing special privileges to themselves, under a threat that they will in case of refusal inflict suffering and distress upon the mass of the people. The Constitution calls for the promotion of the general welfare, and not for the welfare of any group at the expense of some other group or of the general public. Such control of legislation, if permitted, would change our Government from a republic to an oligarchy.

It is not American for a mob to trample upon and defy the law and destroy life and property.

Nor is it American to refuse to do one's part in the defense of our Government or in the maintenance of its honor.

All of these violate fundamental principles upon which our Government rests—some because they are treasonable, some because they are restrictions upon liberty, some because they deny justice, and some because instead of promoting the general welfare they are attempts to benefit the few at the expense of the great body of our people. Let us be Americans, and let us be in truth and in fact 100 per cent Americans.

The proudest title in the world to-day is "American." Comrades, I suspect that most of you, like I did, in your boyhood days used McGuffey's school readers, and in them you will remember Rienzi's address to the Romans and his proud boast that "In that earlier

day, to be a Roman was greater than a king." Let me say to you that to-day, to be an American is greater than to have been a Roman in Rome's most glorious age. [Applause.]

That flag, our flag, floats to-day over a greater domain than Rome ever ruled. Our ships sail seas of which Rome never dreamed, and wherever they sail Old Glory floats over them [applause], and the world pays homage to it as the national emblem of a mighty people.

In the Grand Army of the Republic you see the fast vanishing remnant of that band of men that crowned our Nation with the glory and the grandeur of to-day. I feel that I voice the sentiment of every comrade when I say, may our country never fail in any duty that it may owe as a member of the great family of nations; may it always stand for the right; but may the time never come when it will be subservient to or subject in the slightest degree to the domination or control of any other nation or any group or league of nations in the world. [Great applause.] May it always be to the end of time as it is to-day, the freest, the most independent, and the best nation on the face of the earth. [Great applause.]

Commander in Chief PILCHER. We are greatly indebted to the speaker for this wonderful elucidation. I am sure we shall carry the memory of these words with us as long as time shall last and our interest in our Nation shall endure.

We will join in singing, before we part, "America." Before that, may I say that while we have been sitting here I have found out what was in this bouquet. In it I have found a check. Our daughters seem to be doing pretty well in the world. From the auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans there was hidden in this bouquet a check for \$500. [Applause.] And in among these handkerchiefs and neckties for the commander in chief I have found from the Daughters of Veterans a check for \$700. [Applause.] A pretty good evening's work.

Let us all rise and sing "America."

(After the singing, at 10.40 o'clock p. m., the audience was dismissed.)



## CAMPFIRE HELD AT THE COLISEUM, DES MOINES, IOWA, WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 27, 1922.

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PAST COMMANDER IN CHIEF DAVID J. PALMER OF WASHINGTON, IOWA,  
CHAIRMAN.

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The CHAIRMAN. Invocation by a son of a veteran, Doctor McKean, of this city.

Dr. F. C. McKEAN, pastor Central Presbyterian Church, Des Moines, Iowa (the audience standing). Almighty and ever-blessed God, our Father, the author of all true freedom and spiritual liberty, with reverence and with godly fear we would approach Thy throne of grace this night to ask Thee for Thy blessing and to give Thee the praise and the thanksgiving for all the manifold mercies Thou hast vouchsafed to our lives.

We thank Thee for our country, for its glorious history, for the noble womanhood and the valiant manhood which has built up its character. We pray Thee for Thy blessing upon us this night as we dwell in our minds and hearts on the true spirit of our country, and we thank Thee for our flag and all that for which it stands, for the people who have ruled under it, who have fought and bled and died for it. We thank Thee that it has ever stood as an ensign of liberty, freedom, and justice. We thank Thee, O God, that it has always reigned in crowning triumph, because we believe it has stood in the van of an army whose great principles of fighting were not actuated by selfishness but for freedom rather than for bondage, for the true ideals of liberty rather than for territorial aggrandizement.

We ask Thee to receive our praise and our thanksgiving this night for all that we have enjoyed during these days of grand reunion. God bless the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. May they receive our homage and our gratitude this day, and as we have observed them in their great line of march with the snow of time upon their heads may we thank God for what they did and for the spirit which they have given to the rising generation. God bless them this night. Bless them as they return to their homes. Bless those in affliction, with whom we sympathize in sorrow. God guide them and keep them under Thine own divine control and inspiration.

Bless us in the coming years, and may our children imbibe the true spirit of country and home and native land. We ask it all, with the forgiveness of our sins, in the name of the Great Captain of our salvation. Amen.

(The audience then sang "The Star-Spangled Banner.")



The CHAIRMAN. We always have Sons of Veterans with us, and these old "coffee coolers" like to hear the sons say something to them occasionally, because they, like their fathers, are doers of things as well as the fathers were. We have a governor of Iowa that is a son of a veteran and is a doer, and I am glad to present to you now Governor Kendall. [Applause.]

Hon. NATHAN E. KENDALL, Governor of Iowa. Mr. Chairman and friends, I think after five days you will permit me to call you "friends." At this moment I am oppressed by an embarrassment that I can not entirely overcome as I approach the demands of this great occasion. There are before me in this audience the men who represent an earlier age of the Republic, the age of Lincoln and the trusted counsellors in whom he confided—Seward and Stanton and Andrew and Curtin and Morton and Kirkwood; the age of Grant and the subordinate generals who obeyed his orders—Sherman and Sheridan and Meade and Thomas and Logan and McPherson; the age which produced the innumerable host of this Grand Army, ready and eager for that strange outpouring of blood by which the emancipation of the slave was effected and the permanence of the Union was assured, while I belong to a generation born after the Civil War terminated in a blaze of glory at Appomattox. I am overwhelmed with a sense of deep inadequacy as I appear here in these pleasant times of peace merely to say things to these heroic men who in the dark days of war actually did things.

The student of affairs is interested and perplexed when he is compelled to consider that even at that remote day when Washington was inducted by unanimous acclaim into the first presidency, there was radical difference of opinion respecting the character of the new republic. The Calhoun school of thought asserted that it was merely a convenient association of sovereign States, subject to be dissolved at the election of any one or number of its membership. The Webster school of thought maintained that it was a union, inseparable, indivisible, perpetual. [Applause.] Out of that disparity of opinion, honestly entertained and earnestly defended, there arose throughout the lapse of years heated discussion, bitter controversy, crimination and recrimination; all to be adjudicated forever, to be adjudicated immutably, to be adjudicated right, at Vicksburg and Gettysburg and Cold Harbor. [Applause.]

The soldiery of any country embodies the physical prowess of that country, and man for man no nation ever mustered an army more imposing or more powerful than those invincible battalions which vindicated the Stars and Stripes from 1861 to 1865. [Applause.] And at this auspicious hour, out of a heart which has overflowed since you came to this city, I declare that I have more profound pride in this consideration than in any other connected with my life—that in the days of his youth and health and strength my own father, now 20 years gone to his long reward, was a faithful private soldier in the historic war for the Union. [Applause.]

No soldiery ever entered a field with more magnanimous purpose, and none ever emerged after more momentous accomplishment. When our beloved flag was insulted, when our territorial integrity was threatened, when our national life was assailed, they promptly responded to the appeal of President Lincoln and offered themselves a willing sacrifice upon the altar of their country. [Applause.]



They fought to perpetuate a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, and to guarantee forever the certainty that that government, after being baptized in the valorous blood of the revolutionary fathers, should not meanly disappear from the earth, but should, under God, grandly live throughout all eternity. [Applause.] And in the ultimate dispensations of an Overruling Providence they were altogether successful.

What, now, is the precious beatitude which we and all posterity may inherit from their unfaltering fidelity? Why, my dear friends, it is a free Republic, with free homes and free schools and free thought and free speech and free labor, a free pulpit and a free press [applause], a free Republic safeguarding equal rights for all and countenancing special privileges to none; a free Republic whose noble example, like the path of the just, is as a shining light which shineth more and more unto the perfect day. God bless the soldiers of the great Civil War! [Applause.]

That war was a conflict, a catastrophe so unprecedented in the chronicles of civilization, that no imagination can depict its awful enormities. We try to measure all the disaster and the tragedy, and we are transfixed with horror. The eyes grow dim, the lips are silent, the heart is still. There are names we do not know and graves we can not find. There are messages that never came and aching hearts that never cease to ache, yet can not die. There are tears that will not dry, and even to this day sobs that can not find relief in tears. We pause in solemn tribute to the martyred dead sleeping on countless scattered fields, all unconscious of our reverent salutation.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,  
With a glory in His bosom which transfigures you and me;  
As He died to make men holy, so they died to make men free.  
Their souls are marching on!

Oh, how superb, how glorious, how magnificent, how cruel, how terrible, how remorseless, is war to the victorious and to the vanquished. May an infinite God preserve us continually in unbroken harmony among ourselves, and in perennial peace with all mankind. [Applause.]

It was a calamity unspeakably sorrowful, that fratricidal misunderstanding between the people of the North and the people of the South. But as expressed by the greatest of Presidents in the greatest of inaugurals, "The Almighty has his own purposes, and the judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether." We see now that there could not be a more perfect union in peace until the factitious heresy of states' rights perished by the sword. We see now that there could not be the remission of national sin without the shedding of individual blood. And so the war was inevitable. It was a fearful retribution, but its compensations have been more than manifold, for out of it there emerged the regenerated, the reunited, the real Republic which is now the miracle and the marvel of all the civilized communities of the earth. [Applause.]

The conflict itself has become a priceless and hallowed memory, with its bloodiest battlefields sanctified everywhere as holy theaters upon which were illustrated the sublimest exhibitions of American bravery, American endurance, American patriotism. The heroes of that mighty collision, whether crowned with northern victory or



crushed in southern defeat, each battled for a principle which he believed with every aspiration of his soul to be right; each rendered to his cause the last full measure of duty as he conceived it; and the incomparable valor of each is now the treasured heritage of our common country.

And it is our common country now. In the national park at Chickamauga, the great Commonwealth of Kentucky has constructed a single memorial to her sons under Thomas and her sons under Bragg who fought and fell on that decisive field. And on that transparent marble there are inscribed these eloquent and significant words:

As we are united in life and they in death, let one monument perpetuate their undying deeds, and one people forgetful of all the bitterness of the past ever hold in grateful remembrance all the glories of the terrible conflict which made all men free, and retained every star upon our Nation's flag. [Applause.]

As I was there in the shadow of that majestic column an old man approached. He told me that he was a survivor of the Fifth Georgia Regiment; and he handed me a paper and said that he had been reading it, studying it for years. And the paper was this, dated:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, *Washington, November 21, 1864.*

Mrs. BIXBY, *Boston, Mass.*

DEAR MADAM: I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the adjutant general of Massachusetts that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle. I feel how weak and fruitless must be any words of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. But I can not refrain from tendering to you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save. I pray that our Heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost, and the solemn pride that must be yours to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.

Yours very sincerely and respectfully,

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

As I read the inscription on the monument, composed, if you please, by a colonel who commanded a Confederate regiment at Snodgrass Hill, in conjunction with the letter in the inside breast pocket of the Confederate soldier, I said to myself, it is our common country now.

From Maine to California, from the Great Lakes to the Gulf, the veterans in blue and the veterans in gray are unanimously committed to the proposition that this is a single country, with a single flag and a single destiny. [Applause.] And thus, in fraternal communion, the comrades of Grant and the comrades of Lee are journeying down to the twilight of life together, with charity for all, with malice toward none. The old anger, the ancient acrimony, all unfriendly feeling, are completely vanished from the recollections of men. Over the graves of the fallen dead the spring has cast its tender violets, the summer its gorgeous field of flowers, the autumn its golden withered leaves, and the winter its blanket of crystal snow. All is forgiven, all is forgotten, except the imperishable results of the contest in which you were engaged and the reminiscences of it in which you alone have the right to indulge. The past with all its glory and its grandeur is secure, and we approach the unfolded future with undiminished confidence.



To-day we are the most important people on earth, to-day we are the most powerful, to-day we are the best enlightened, and the Government which you old Grand Army veterans rescued from treason through shot and shell and saberstroke of war is the best Government ever organized by man. [Applause.] This shall constitute the eternal and unapproachable glory of our country, that it is now and evermore shall be, the United States of America. [Applause.]

There is no place in the latitude of this Western Hemisphere for any but American institutions [applause]; there is no room in the atmosphere of this western world for any but the American flag. [Applause.] That erratic, eccentric, almost insane genius of the Sierra Nevadas wrote a poem of the voyage of Columbus, its hopes and doubts and fears, and finally of its eventual reward in the discovery of an unsuspected continent. I like to believe that that poem symbolizes the unconquerable spirit of America.

Behind him lay the gray Azores,  
Behind the gates of Hercules;  
Before him not the ghost of shores;  
Before him only shoreless seas.  
The good mate said: "Now must we pray,  
For lo! the very stars are gone.  
Brave adm'r'l speak; what shall I say?"  
"Why say: 'Sail on! sail on! and on!'"  
They sailed and sailed as winds might blow,  
Until at last the blanched mate said:  
"Why, now not even God would know  
Should you and all your men fall dead.  
These very winds forget their way,  
For God from these dread seas is gone.  
Now speak, brave adm'r'l; speak and say"—  
He said: "Sail on! and on! sail on!"

They sailed. They sailed. Then spake the mate:  
"This mad sea shows his teeth to-night,  
He curls his lip, he lies in wait,  
With lifted fang, as if to bite!  
Brave adm'r'l, say but one good word:  
What shall we do when hope is gone?"  
The answer leapt like a leaping sword:  
"Sail on! sail on! sail on! and on!"

Then, pale and worn, he kept his deck,  
And peered through darkness. Ah, that night  
Of all dark nights! And then a speck—  
A light! A light! A light! A light!  
It grew, a starlit flag unfurled!  
It came to be time's burst of dawn.  
He gained a world; he gave that world  
Its grandest lesson: "On! sail on!"

And so, my countrymen, shall this imperial Republic of ours go forward forever in its sublime destiny until after awhile it shall attain an approximately perfect day, when no decoration will be so exceptional, no dignity so exclusive, no distinction so extraordinary as citizenship in the United States of America. [Applause.]

Veterans of the great war and of the mighty conflict for liberty, this is your contribution to the happiness of humanity and the welfare of this world. At the last day when the earth is rolled up as a scroll and all men appear to be judged according to the deeds done in the body, surely the approving voice of the Divine Master will pronounce upon each of you the triumphant benediction: "Well



done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Good night, and God bless you all. [Great applause.]

The Chamber of Commerce Glee Club then sang "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

The CHAIRMAN. We have had with us now for several days our commander in chief. We have heard from him before, and it is not necessary to name him. I present to you the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. [Applause.]

Commander in Chief LEWIS S. PILCHER. A day of glory, the morning sun bringing the light upon this day sacred to the love of country; a day of glory for Des Moines; a day of glory once more for the Grand Army of the Republic! Why do we so especially rejoice in the kindness of the Almighty, who gives us the balmy breeze and the beneficent sun and the hope and joy of this day? Because, and because only, it shines upon these men through whose efforts there has been preserved for us, for the world, that country which we love, for which they were willing to give their life's blood, for which so many of the best and bravest of the sons of Columbia did lay down their lives, which is the hope of the world and in whose fate is wrapped up to-day liberty for all the nations of the earth. And this is our country.

God gave all men all earth to love,  
But since our hearts are small,  
Ordained for each one spot should prove,  
Beloved over all.

America to us is the one spot "beloved over all." What a wave of generous enthusiasm has been rolling over the hearts of men here this day. It is not that at this moment, however, that I would dwell upon, but rather that wave of patriotic enthusiasm that swept over the hearts of loyal men in April, 1861, which entered the heart of your father, governor, which entered the heart of yourself, corporal. It is that wave of enthusiasm which occupies my thought at this moment. The rush to take up arms for the defense of the Union! The ever-increasing volume of that enthusiasm which began and continued to fill so many hearts during the four awful years that followed!

No one had believed in the existence of such a sentiment in the men of the North; its sternness, its fullness, its thoroughness amazed the world. It forever established a standard of loyal patriotism, not only for all nations but for all mankind; and we have lived to see the same sentiment filling the hearts of our sons, one of whom here sits, whom we shall hear, who made his record as the embodiment of that sentiment so many years after the sixties.

It was exemplified by the men of 1898 as well as of 1917 with a fervor of devotion which for all years to come will never be surpassed. Such patriotism is the corner stone of the whole vast edifice of the Republic, the soul of its existence. As long as its fires continue to influence the youth of America as they come up to manhood or to womanhood, so long will the Republic exist, the symbol of true freedom, the hope of mankind.

Yet a special and a greater merit must be accorded the patriotism of 1861, since then—oh, we remember it, comrades—it was yet to be settled whether on the western shore of the Atlantic there had been



created a country entitled to the devotion of men. "The land of the free" was still a dim and ill-defined ideal in the minds of men. The national State had not yet crystallized into a recognized entity. Sectional and State bonds and boundaries were still apparently deemed superior to national claims in the minds of a majority of our fellow citizens. Loyalty to a peculiar local institution took precedence of loyalty to country among nearly half the people of the United States. This superloyalty to a local institution, associated with the prior claims of State boundaries to limit the devotion of men, had not only prevented the development of national loyalty among the citizens of certain States, but had won a sympathetic assent among a very large portion of the citizens of the remaining States.

The intense partisanship which had characterized the political contests of the States from the inception of the Republic had developed party fealty rather than national loyalty, and had divided the men of the North into sharply demarcated camps; the right of secession of a State, though it might wreck all the most important interests of the Nation and bring in its train a long list of future woes, was claimed as a right which could be exercised whenever the momentary conditions of an individual State might excite its citizens to determine it.

It took four years of war, the expenditure of vast treasure, the devastation of great areas of territory, the agonies of uncounted bereaved and destitute women and children, and the death of 1,000,000 of the bravest and best men of the country to bring about the universal recognition of the right of the Nation as a whole to the fealty of all its children. This was the price which this land had to pay for its creation as a Nation.

But in 1898 and 1917 the wave of patriotic fervor which, like a tidal wave of tropical seas, engulfed this land, knew no State, no sectional boundaries. Then, indeed, the whole world realized that in this Western Continent a nation had been created that commanded the fervent devotion of all its sons and daughters. The call of the Nation for service, for labor, for tribute, was lost in the universal enthusiasm with which response was made.

Far otherwise was it in 1861. Multitudes whose sympathies, both active and passive, were with those who were endeavoring to destroy the Union, were everywhere so numerous in the North as to often create an atmosphere and produce an environment which was deadening to loyalty, discouraging to hope, destructive to national enthusiasm. The South knew this and counted upon it. The nations of Europe knew it and saw in it the welcome promise that henceforth the development across the Atlantic of a power that might curb their own ambitions was at an end. Every man who donned the blue and went forth to fight for the Union knew it and realized that the fire in the rear from the Copperheads of the North was more to be feared than the bullets of the armed hosts of the South.

Have we not then reason to claim a special quality and merit for the spirit of loyalty to the Union that, notwithstanding all this, was evoked in 1861, which, with steadily increasing volume and force, inspired its defenders through the subsequent years of frequent defeat, of delayed hope, of disappointed expectations, of disordered finance, of disloyal clamor, of unmerited abuse, of ill-con-



cealed foreign enmities and conspiracies abroad, until Grant and Sherman and Sheridan, Farragut and Porter, came to the leadership of its armies and its fleets, and the Nation was saved, its fragments cemented into a glorious and lasting whole by the blood that these defenders had shed for it?

The years 1861 to 1865! It was during those years that the final test was made whether "a new Nation conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men were created equal could long endure." The answer was definite, positive, and final. Three millions of men had pledged their lives to demonstrate that a new Nation had been created which for its perpetuation could command the devotion of its sons, even to the death. In the ardor of its sons to defend their native land from attack from without and from treachery from within, there was at last the spirit of true patriotism, a lofty idealism that was not based on personal advantage nor territorial aggrandizement, nor having birth in a distorted religious faith, nor in loyalty to the supposititious glories of a dynasty.

From 1861 to 1865 on to 1922! Our lifetime, comrades. All things have changed; a new world has been created. Of all that is new, that is broad, that is great, the development of which these years have witnessed, which the patriot defenders of the Union during the sixties of the century that is gone have lived to see, to realize, to experience, above all, greater than all, essential to all, in its influence upon American youth and in the development of America as a world power, has been the growth to strength and maturity as an influence possessing the minds and controlling the devotion of Americans, of a definite and positive patriotism. A spirit of nationalism, the essential element germinal of yet greater growth and glory in the future. A higher ideal of national probity, purity, of public spirit; America for Americans! But a glorified America inhabited by better Americans. A Nation of homes, the nurseries of true and loyal men. A Nation of schools in which shall be taught the glories which the brief history of the Republic had achieved, the responsibilities which rest upon the present generation, and the brilliant possibilities for the future of this land.

The boy soldiers of the sixties! Nearly a million boys less than 20 years of age among those bleeding, dying, conquering hosts! Does one ask, who saved the Union? The answer is, the boys of 1861. That there are so many veterans of that war still surviving to-day, so hale and vigorous, is due to the fact that they were so young 60 years ago. So it has been in all ages and in all countries. The boys have been the bulk of every army, the right arm of every nation.

During the year which it has been the privilege of the speaker to pass up and down over the whole area of this land, what have I found? A country united, prosperous, the arbiter of the affairs of the world, the leader in the achievements of war, the authority in matters of diplomacy, the dictator in the paths of peace.

I have found a grateful country. Never has the memory of my comrades been more honored; never have the expressions and evidences of regard and reverence for the veterans who defended the Union in the sixties been more positive and universal; never have the evidences of the obliteration of past animosities and sectional differences been more general and distinct the whole country over



than has been witnessed by me as I have passed from State to State. [Applause.]

A final word to these grand old men, so many of them still stalwart and active though the weight of so many years has been borne by them. We may not longer contemplate the activities of our youth; the duties of mature years have been well done; the results abide; the rest of the evening of life has been well earned and should be enjoyed with serenity and hope. One great privilege remains to us, until the last veteran of the Grand Army of the Republic has answered the final roll call. It is, to keep bright in the minds of a forgetful and preoccupied generation the memories of the deeds and the worth of the comrades of our youth. [Applause.]

The Colonial Ladies' Glee Club, of Des Moines, then sang, "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground."

The CHAIRMAN. Now I have the pleasure of presenting to you another soldier, the commander in chief of the American Legion, Hanford MacNider. He is commander in chief of the boys of the great World War, the best lot of boys that ever went out to do business for the country, filled with the kind of loyal blood that made them worth while. [Applause.]

HANFORD MACNIDER, commander in chief of the American Legion, of Mason City, Iowa. Mr. Chairman, Mr. Commander in Chief, your excellency, friends, and comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic. More of the Nation's love and esteem is centered in this Grand Army of yours, in your splendid veterans of the great Civil War, than in any other one group within the Republic. It will always be so. You represent to us all the stability of our Nation—men who by your own personal sacrifice, your own high patriotism, made it possible for those of us who were to follow you to be citizens of these United States. [Applause.] You gave us a country to love and protect.

Your great organization ever since the days of your service has been the great outstanding and dominant force for patriotism in America. [Applause.] You not only fought to save the Nation—you did save it. And then you continued the task of preserving it for those of us who were to follow after. Your national service has been tremendous if only by one act alone, your observance of Memorial Day. You have kept alive within the breasts of us all that spirit that was yours, the spirit that we all like to call American. [Applause.]

That blue column with your battle flags flying, your drums rolling, your fifes swirling, has passed proudly down the streets of the old home town, reverently to do honor to your departed comrades. Every one of us who saw you—and there is not an American who has not—when you passed stood up a little straighter and held his head a little higher, proud that he could think himself of the same blood and bone as you, proud that he was a citizen of the country that turned out such men as you were.

From the American Legion, over a million of your own boys, your own sons and grandsons, who from their earliest boyhood were inspired by your high example, went out to fight in this last war, I bring you greetings. [Applause.] As youngsters with no other ambition than to follow as best we may in your footsteps, we are proud to give you our salute.



A little incident of the last year proves what is in our hearts better than any mere phrases of mine. In a tiny town up in Wisconsin one of the two remaining comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic passed on to hail his Great Chieftain. Realizing that he alone could not give the proper military rites, his comrade called upon the American Legion post in a neighboring town some 14 miles away to assist. A veritable cloudburst made the roads impassable, and so that American Legion post, some thirty-odd men, marched 14 miles through the mud to offer their last respects to a man who had offered all he had to his country in time of need [great applause] to do honor to every one of you who showed us all the way. They only proved what is in the hearts of us all.

I want you to know, comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, that we stand at your command. We shall consider your every order a privilege, to do it as best we may. Your every wish will be our highest ambition, and that is what will be within our hearts. [Applause.]

To us you typify the flag you saved. We can see in the folds of that flag the long blue lines advancing through the smoke, fire, hail, and flame of Antietam, Shiloh, and Gettysburg, the heroes of a hundred battles. We salute that flag, and in saluting it we salute you, the men who saved the Nation—the Grand Army of the Republic. [Great applause.]

“Marching Through Georgia” was then sung by the Glee Club.

The CHAIRMAN. Comrades of the Grand Army and all the kind friends, I want to present now one of our comrades who went out in early life. He went out under age. How much he swore to, that I don't know, and I don't ever allow to ask him. But he suffered, lost both legs in the last battle at Bull Run, but he has been worth a million to this Grand Army ever since. [Applause.] If we keep absolute order you can hear every word he says, and I want you to hear him—Corporal James Tanner.

(The audience arose and cheered.)

Past Commander in Chief JAMES TANNER, of Washington, D. C. Commander Palmer, comrades all, friends all, you have sat here and you have listened to that magnificent eulogy delivered by your governor and the splendid statement of the progress made by this Nation as a result of what you and your comrades did in 1861, and then you heard that all too brief but mighty, inspiring eulogy of us from the representative of all of the boys to-day who went across the water with the Stars and Stripes at their head [applause], saved the tottering throne of England and the Republic of France, and sent the kaiser on the first lap of his journey down to the regions of the damned [applause], and came back carrying in the record of their deeds positive evidence to us that, as God may call us now in these the limit of our years, we can lie down to peaceful sleep with no concern in our hearts about the perpetuity of the work we did which they have so continued, confident that it will go on till God himself shall roll up the scroll and call the roll of the nations of the earth; and we are confident that then will come from the lips of Uncle Sam, when the Republic of the United States is called, “Here we are, Lord, at the head of the procession.” [Applause.]

The fact of the business is that Iowa—I do not specify simply Des Moines—I think all Iowa came into town to greet us [applause],



and I think we saw to-day the vast majority of those who, give them time, and they will be the upstanding citizens of this great State. I remarked to the comrade who was riding with me in the procession, "How it would have delighted the heart of Theodore Roosevelt to have witnessed such a splendid body of animated, though small, evidence that there was no race suicide in Iowa." [Great applause.] So we are better men because we came to Iowa.

I remember, in my youthful days, when, in various parts of my section of the country down in New York, there were organized pioneer groups to go out in the Western States. Quite a number of them came out to Iowa. I ventured to say to the governor to-night, sitting here looking you over, that I thought one result of what we had experienced here would be that we would not have much trouble to organize a bunch of pioneers out of you. I think you could be easily seduced away from your long-time homes to come out into this land of prosperity, of blooming fields, glorious skies, and a humanity that is not excelled in any State of the Nation than you have found here in this part of Iowa.

We confess that we are pleased to hear all you say about us. Our appetite for praise is great, Governor. These old fellows can absorb a great deal of it. But back of it we have the consciousness that you mean what you say. [Applause.] And I want to say to you, sir, that those boys who have been somewhat mixed up with artillery and bullets who are here will sleep better to-night because of the sentiments expressed here and the hospitality shown by the citizens of Iowa. [Applause.]

This crowd—nobody knows it better than Dave Palmer, who has heard me many times in the past where I have been dulling these old fellows' ears for the last 52 years—have heard me frequently declare that the time would come when the people would recognize that we, private or officer, had been that band to which you of the coming generation are debtors, and that we would land Uncle Sam in the front seat in the parliament of nations, the federation of the world. God has spared our lives until we have seen that very thing, and the time came when President Harding, seated in the Capital of this Nation, called the roll of the militant and dominant nations of the world and they answered "Here," and then they sat down to consult, and Charles Evans Hughes [applause], in terms that some won't understand, laid his cards face up on the table, and we astonished the diplomacy of the world when we told them with absolute American frankness just what we proposed to do. [Applause.] And England answered "Yes"; France answered "Yes"; Japan answered "Yes"; and Italy answered "Yes." And now there is only one thing left for military power to do, and that is for Europe to rise up and in defense of Christianity, in defense of womanhood, holding themselves the militant power of God Almighty himself, wipe the accursed Turk off the map. [Great applause.]

No; the devil would not rejoice at their coming. I have said before, and I repeat now, that when we consider the unspeakable outrages that the Kaiser permitted and encouraged, that I was amazed that a just God did not let his wrath smite him and send him down, down to his eternal home, confident that when he got there his satanic majesty would rise and salute and say, "At last I greet



the only possible rival I could have for dominion in the eternal infernal regions." [Applause.]

Our boys that we sent over the sea! They did a mighty work that we are proud of to the last degree, and we paid a debt. In the struggle of the birth of this Nation that gallant Frenchman, the Marquis de Lafayette, rushed over here and threw his influence on the side of the struggling colonists—a valuable addition.

When the war of the secession came, our great horror was that France and England might recognize the Southern Confederacy and force the opening of our ports. Then, comrades, it would have been a mighty serious question whether it would have been as it was at Appomattox. All the aristocracy of England was against us of the Union, for secession. The mill workers, fasting, could look only on the side of their livelihood, and until Henry Ward Beecher went over there and opened their eyes they were against us. But he converted them. [Applause.] John Bright, the great British commoner, was our one pronounced friend among the mass of the people, but we had a friend there that has never been fully appreciated nor fully considered.

On the throne of England at that time there sat a woman who was a superb ornament to her sex. [Applause.] Queen Victoria held the aristocracy back and she prevented a recognition of the Southern Confederacy. France did not dare go ahead without England. Under the leadership of the little Napoleon they were anxious, but they did not dare take the step. I remember in June, 1863, I was lying in the old farmhouse—that was nearly a year after Stonewall Jackson had mustered me out with his artillery at Second Bull Run—and I was looking at the future. It was a mighty dark future.

But that is one of the unpleasant recollections of life. And one day there came in our New York papers the announcement that a British fleet had sailed into the harbor of New York the day before. And there was a chill on the hearts of all of us, for we were afraid that Queen Victoria had been compelled to yield to the decree of the aristocracy, and the entrance of that fleet was but the precursor of recognition of the Confederacy.

But the next day came the word that a Russian fleet had followed the British fleet in. The next day came the further news that the British fleet had sailed out. [Applause.] It was long years before it came to be world known, in diplomatic circles at least, that the admiral of that Russian fleet had sailed under sealed orders which he was to break under conditions when he arrived at New York Harbor. If, when he arrived, he found out that during his passage over the Confederacy had been acknowledged and recognized by England and France, then he, the admiral of the Russian fleet was to report to Abraham Lincoln and take his orders from him. [Applause.]

Less than three years ago it was brought to my attention in Washington that—I think it was in Vilna or some such Russian name, in a city in that country far out of the way—there was an old retired admiral living in absolute poverty—he and his wife—in dire distress, and he had been a very junior officer in the Russian fleet that sailed into New York Harbor; and I was asked to get the Red Cross interested and do something for the relief of him and his wife in memory



of those old days; and I got the Red Cross to take hold of it, and they did what was necessary.

Now, then, we stand to-day in the memory of those things, and while life has been a pretty rough deal for many of us, we have no complaint to make. We thank God, and I speak for every old head here, that we were born when we were, in the localities we were, and of age sufficient to get into the Army of the United States when liberty in mortal peril voiced through the lips and the pen of the greatest American of all time, Abraham Lincoln, her cry for help.

There was a great deal of what might be called perjury on strict lines perpetrated in those days, but I am of the faith that the recording angel dropped a pitying tear on the record and wiped it out, because no doubt a good many of you within the sound of my voice now were under 18 years of age. What did those rascals do? It is not simply a pleasant thing to recite. It is the absolute truth. They took off their shoes and marked the figures "18" on the soles, put on their shoes, lifted their right hand, and swore before God that they were over 18. [Laughter.] You did. I was fortunate. I was 17. The recruiting officer looked at me and he said, "Young man, are you over 18?" I said, "Yes, sir." I could swear to that. But I said, "If you think I will do for a soldier don't ask me what." In my heart I was swearing that I was over 18 months old.

To-day the world has come to acknowledge the mighty character and the unselfishness of purpose of that great martyr of ours. The governor said something about him in connection with that letter of his to Mrs. Bixby, of Boston. I have a facsimile of the letter in my library, hanging on the wall. But something the governor said stirred the memories of the past, and I was back that awful night in 1865, when I stood by his bed, his eyes closed—he never knew what struck him—and I saw him draw his last breath. The next day I wrote a letter to my mother and told her of the events of that night, and I told her in that letter, which came back to me after her death, that I certainly was of the firm opinion that when John Wilkes Booth shot down Abraham Lincoln he delivered the hardest blow the South could possibly have received. [Applause.]

Had the great, loving, forgiving heart been permitted to beat, Lincoln would have held the radicals in check, the corruption of the carpetbag days would never have been known, and the Ku-Klux Klan would never have been born. But we have to pass under the rod as God sees fit to let it be administered.

Now, if you old fellows think that I stand here to deliver one moment of talk, or eulogy over you just before you go into the grave—for I'll miss a lot of you next year—I want to say to you that you are mistaken. Our comrades dead lived glorious lives. They fought like men and they died like men, whether on the battle field or years after. Theirs is the glory. They have been privileged to be transferred to the land where the only warrior known is the Prince of Peace, and where we will all be under the ministration of the Savior and Redeemer of mankind, to whom we trust ourselves in full confidence that when the end does come we can lie down and, in the language of that brilliant poetess who has been heard here to-night, in our last moments, when memory is fading, when the world is vanishing, and our eyes are so soon to open to

the beauties of the other shore, then in our hearts, though our lips may be too feeble to express the thoughts that have been filling our hearts, will be the song you heard here to-night, which we can appropriate unto ourselves more than any others in our Nation, "Mine eyes—mine eyes—have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord." [Applause.]

The CHAIRMAN. Comrades, at our meeting to-morrow, the business meeting, the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic are invited to come into this house here. You will find a place to sit down. There will be no countersign.

(The program was then concluded by the singing of "America," after which, at 9.45 o'clock p. m., the audience dispersed.)



## THE GRAND PARADE.

HELD DURING THE MORNING OF WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1922.

### THE ORGANIZATION OF THE COLUMN.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 1. }

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY PARADE,  
September 14, 1922.

I. The following staff appointments are hereby announced:

Chief of Staff: Lieut. Col. Glenn C. Haynes.

Assistant Chiefs of Staff: Col. Don C. Macrae; Maj. C. B. Robbins, commander Iowa Department, American Legion; Capt. Dan Steck, past commander State department, American Legion; Capt. B. J. Gibson.

Aids: Brig. Gen. Matt Tinley, Brig. Gen. George Ball, Brig. Gen. L. G. Lasher, Brig. Gen. Harry Wilkins, Col. J. C. Loper, Col. C. J. Wilson, Col. R. H. Spencer, Lieut. Col. E. S. Olmsted, Lieut. Col. L. W. Ainsworth, Lieut. Col. John Kelley, Maj. Jim Barton, Maj. W. J. O'Connell, Maj. John Ball, Lieut. Commander Mack, U. S. N., Maj. E. E. Butler, Maj. Fred Holstein, Maj. Chas. Dickson, Maj. Thos. P. Hollowell, Capt. W. E. Riley, U. S. M. C., Capt. Ellsworth Young, C. A. C., Capt. E. L. Marriage, Capt. Fred Larrabee, Capt. Francis A. Robinson, Capt. Carl J. Creamer, Capt. George Yates, Capt. O. P. Thompson, Capt. Dave Roderick, Capt. Daniel Newquist, Capt. L. R. Fairall, Lieut. Volney Diltz, Lieut. Frank Miles, Lieut. Ketterer, and Lieut. F. M. Miller.

II. (a) The marshal's staff will report at 9 a. m. to the marshal, Col. Harry H. Polk, at Tenth and Locust Streets, on the morning of September 27, 1922.

(b) Uniforms: Regulation service uniforms, caps, Sam Browne belts, and sabers.

(c) Mounts: Mounts for staff will be assigned at 8.45 a. m. on Eleventh Street south of Locust Street. Capt. Dave Roderick will be in charge of assignment of horses.

III. *Time and route of march.*—(a) The column will move out promptly at 10 o'clock, Wednesday morning, September 27, over the following route: East on Locust from West Tenth Street to Pennsylvania Avenue, thence south to Court Avenue, and thence north along East Ninth Street, passing in review before the commander in chief of the Grand Army and his staff occupying the reviewing stand in front of the Pioneer Monument, west side Capitol building.

(b) After passing the reviewing stand the marshal and his staff will dismount, turning their mounts over to the orderlies and will then proceed to position near reviewing stand.

IV. *Division chiefs and aids.*—Chief of first division: Lieut. Col. Casper Schenk; aids, Lieut. Joseph Lorentzen, Sergt. W. A. Stevens. Chief of second division: Col. Guy S. Brewer; aids, Carl Berkman, Dow Carpenter. Chief of third division: Col. E. R. Bennett; aids, Maj. A. H. Hoffman, Lieut. Dale Shaw. Chief of fourth division: Col. L. D. Ross; aids, Lieut. John Wallace, Lieut. Phineas Henry. Chief of fifth division: Lieut. Col. Claude M. Stanley; aids, Lieut. George Perley, Lieut. Nelson Goodsell. Chief of sixth division: Mr. Harry S. Haskins; aids, Bert L. Zuver, Blair A. Quick. Chief of seventh division: Lieut. Col. W. C. Conkling; aids, Vice Commander George E. Griffith, Adj. Rex Fowler, Virgil E. Kepford, A. B. Pray, H. L. Fickel.

V. *Department guides.*—The following men from Argonne Post, American Legion, will act as guides for the various State departments and will report in uniform to the commander of the State departments at their headquarters promptly at 9 a. m. to assist the commander in all possible ways, and will further be charged with marching his department by the shortest route to position in line.



BIRT F. PARSONS  
Chief of Staff





Strength.	Department.	Headquarters.	Rendezvous.	Aid.
50	Alabama.....	Lloyd Hotel.....	W. side 8th St., r. Ga. & S. C.	Walter A. Back.
65	Arizona.....	.....	W. side 8th St., n. High St., r. Idaho.	Leo Marcovis.
257	Arkansas.....	Wellington.....	E. side 8th St., n. High St., r. Wash. & Alaska.	S. P. Medbury.
4,838	California and Nevada	Chamberlain.....	W. side 9th St., s. Locust, r. M.	Mike Gammon.
1,321	Colorado and Wyoming.	.....do.....	W. side 9th, n. Grand, r. Ind.	George Morris.
180	Delaware.....	Martin Hotel.....	W. side 9th St., n. High St., r. Kans.	E. C. Sterritt.
1,342	Connecticut.....	Irwin Hotel.....	E. side 9th St., s. Locust St., r. N. Y.	Walter Maley.
687	Florida.....	Kirkwood Hotel.....	W. side 8th St., n. Grand.	McK. K. Kepford.
114	Georgia and South Carolina.	Rodgers Hotel.....	W. side 8th St., n. High St., r. Ariz.	D. W. Brown.
356	Idaho.....	Irwin Hotel.....	W. side 8th St., n. High St.	H. O. Bennick.
6,868	Illinois.....	Fort Des Moines Hotel	E. side 10th St., n. Locust.	E. F. McMahon.
5,949	Indiana.....	Randolph Hotel.....	W. side 9th St., n. Grand Ave.	F. W. Lehmann.
4,930	Iowa.....	Chamberlain Hotel....	High St. bet. 7th & 8th	Jas. A. Cummins.
4,637	Kansas.....	Savery Hotel.....	W. side 9th St., n. Grand, r. Colo. & Wyo.	J. N. Rosenfeld.
485	Kentucky.....	Kirkwood Hotel.....	E. side 8th St., n. Grand.	Al Pilgrim.
237	Louisiana and Mississippi.	.....	W. side 8th St., n. Locust, r. Tenn.	Gregory Brunk.
1,580	Maine.....	Chamberlain Hotel....	W. side 9th St., s. Locust.	John P. Everett.
774	Maryland.....	Rodgers Hotel.....	E. side 9th St., n. Grand Ave., r. Va. & N. C.	D. Damiani.
5,356	Massachusetts.....	Fort Des Moines Hotel.	E. side 9th St., s. Walnut.	Howard Eales.
4,000	Michigan.....	Franklin Hotel.....	W. side 9th St., n. Locust, r. Nebr.	R. L. McLaren.
1,836	Minnesota.....	Kirkwood Hotel.....	E. side 8th St., n. Locust.	Oren R. Thomas.
2,765	Missouri.....	Savery Hotel.....	E. side 8th St., n. Locust, r. Minn.	Ray C. Fountain.
256	Montana.....	Kirkwood Hotel.....	W. side 8th St., n. Grand, r. Fla.	Jas. K. Turner.
2,060	Nebraska.....	Elliott Hotel.....	W. side 9th St., n. Locust St.	R. P. Bailey.
820	New Hampshire.....	Foster Hotel.....	W. side 9th St., s. Walnut, r. R. I.	Donald Harlow.
1,644	New Jersey.....	Martin Hotel.....	E. side 9th St., s. Walnut, r. Mass.	F. W. Steffen.
70	New Mexico.....	Lloyd Hotel.....	E. side 8th St., n. High St., r. Ark.	Rube Thode.
8,795	New York.....	Fort Des Moines Hotel.	E. side 9th St., s. Locust St.	Philo D. Clark.
155	North Dakota.....	Rodgers Hotel.....	S. side Pleasant St., w. 8th St.	John S. Borg.
10,241	Ohio.....	Randolph Hotel.....	W. side 10th St., n. Grand.	Sam C. Green.
831	Oklahoma.....	Irwin Hotel.....	N. side of Pleasant, w. 8th, r. N. Dak.	T. B. Swan.
1,538	Oregon.....	Brown Hotel.....	E. 8th St., n. Locust, r. Mo.	W. A. Shaw.
9,122	Pennsylvania.....	Fort Des Moines Hotel.	E. side 10th St., n. Grand.	R. E. Kittinger.
686	Potomac.....	Chamberlain Hotel....	E. side 9th St., n. Locust, r. Vt.	Floyd Everett.
599	Rhode Island.....	Martin Hotel.....	W. side 9th St., s. Walnut.	Merle S. Campbell.
592	South Dakota.....	Elliott Hotel.....	E. side 8th St., n. Grand, r. W. Va.	Corwin Bennett.
435	Tennessee.....	Kirkwood Hotel.....	W. side 8th St., n. Locust, r. Utah.	Roy Leibsle.
234	Texas.....	Randolph Hotel.....	W. side 8th St., n. Grand, r. Mont.	Hugo Schnabel.
1,103	Vermont.....	Rodgers Hotel.....	E. side 9th St., n. Locust St.	W. M. Moore.
263	Virginia and N. Carolina.	.....	E. side 9th St., n. Grand.	George Lace.
659	West Virginia.....	Lloyd Hotel.....	E. side 8th St., n. Grand, r. Ky.	C. I. Spencer.



Strength.	Department.	Headquarters.	Rendezvous.	Aid.
1,706	Washington and Alaska.	Brown Hotel.....	E. side 8th St., n. High St.	I. C. Rittel.
2,701	Wisconsin.....	Wellington Hotel.....	W. side 10th St., n. Locust.	Paul Hewitt.
134	Utah.....		W. side 8th St., n. Locust.	L. V. Feike.
	Platoon of police.....		Locust St., w. 10th St.	
	Argonne Post band.....		Locust St., r. platoon of police.	
	1st Battalion, 168th Infantry.....		Locust St., r. Argonne Post band.	
	14th Cavalry.....		Locust St., w. 11th St.	
	1st Squadron 113th Cavalry.....		Locust St., w. 12th St.	
	Automobiles for commander in chief and party.		W. side 10th St., s. Locust St.	
	Sons of Veterans.....		E. side 10th St., s. Locust St.	

Special aid to commander in chief, Grand Army of the Republic, Frank Childs.

VI. *Bands and drum corps.*—(a) Bands and drum corps will play as much as possible during the parade, and will take their time from preceding musical organizations so that the same step may be maintained throughout the column.

(b) Music at reviewing stands: Each band and drum corps will cease playing at East Sixth and Locust Streets and will strike up and play at East Ninth and Walnut Streets, continuing to play until East Ninth and Grand Avenue is reached.

(c) Bands and drum corps in close proximity to each other will alternate in playing during the march.

(d) Cadence: The cadence will be 90 steps to the minute.

(e) Selection of music: Bands and drum corps will play as much as possible old war-time music.

(f) It will be necessary for bands to play the route of march several times. Trucks will be stationed at East Ninth and Grand Avenue to carry bands back to rendezvous point. Lieut. F. M. Miller, Three hundred and twenty-second Cavalry, will have charge at embussing point.

VII. *Automobiles.*—(a) Mr. Harry S. Haskins will have full charge of automobiles and the loading thereof. He will select his own aids to assist at the various loading points.

(b) All automobiles will carry small American flags on each headlight, and will have the tops lowered if the weather permits.

(c) Mr. Haskins will see that there are three empty cars in the rear of the automobiles containing commander in chief and party, and three automobiles in rear of column of automobiles containing disabled veterans. These automobiles are to be used to replace any disabled cars.

(d) Tow cars will be stationed along the line of march to be used for towing disabled cars from the line of march.

(e) Automobiles for the commander in chief and staff and national officers will report to the Tenth Street entrance of the Hotel Fort Des Moines at 9.15 a. m.

(f) Automobiles for transportation of disabled veterans of the Civil War will assemble at Hotel Fort Des Moines, the Savery Hotel, Manhattan Hotel, and at the Polk County Court House, west entrance, Sixth Avenue, at 9.15 a. m.

(g) Automobiles for disabled veterans of the Spanish-American War and the Great War will assemble at Lincoln School, Ninth and Mulberry Streets.

(h) Automobiles will move out from these points at 9.45 a. m. and take up position on West Eighth Street south of Locust headed north, forming in column of three, the automobiles containing the veterans of the Spanish-American and the Great War in the rear of the veterans of the Civil War.

(i) No automobiles or carriages will be allowed in or between departments.

VIII. *Salutes.*—(a) Department flags will be dipped six paces from reviewing officers and will be maintained at salute until six paces beyond. The United States flag will not under any circumstances be dipped.

(b) Officers with side arms will render the officer's salute with the sword.

(c) Officers without side arms will render the proper salute with the hand.

(d) Comrades in the ranks will not salute, but will execute "Eyes right" as they pass in review.

(e) No flag or standard except the National, State, department, and post flags and standards will be allowed in the parade, and these must fly from the staff.

(f) All masquerade costumes and exhibitions of any kind inconsistent with the dignity of the parade will be excluded from the column.

(g) Only soldiers, sailors, and marines of the armies of the United States will be permitted in the column.

IX. *Medical arrangements.*—(a) First-aid stations will be established at Tenth and Locust Streets, rear of Masonic Temple Building, at the Coliseum, at Seventh and East Walnut Streets, and on the northeast corner of East Ninth and Grand Avenue.

(b) Doctors of the Military Surgeons Club, assisted by two Boy Scouts, will be placed at each block along the line of march. At each of the first-aid stations doctors, assisted by five Boy Scouts to act as telephone orderlies and runners, will be stationed.

(c) Ambulances will be distributed at points along the line of march.

X. *Boy Scouts.*—Boy Scouts will be stationed along the line of march at convenient places to act as water boys and to assist the Medical Corps in all possible ways.

XI. *Organization.*—(a) Comrades will report at their various department headquarters at 9 a. m. Departments will move out from their headquarters promptly at 9.30 a. m., moving by most direct route to their position in line.

(b) Signal guns: A preparatory gun will be fired at 9.45 a. m. Three guns will be fired at 10 a. m. as the signal to take up the march.

(NOTE.—These signals will be fired from Lincoln School at Ninth and Mulberry.)

(c) The parade will be organized by departments into divisions. Departments are assigned positions in line in the order of their seniority, determined by date of charter.

(d) *Formation.*—(1) The Second, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Divisions composing the Grand Army portion of the parade will form in column of eight files front with an interval between files of 6 feet. Cavalry of the First Division will march in column of fours. Infantry of the First Division will march in column of squads. Seventh Division will march in column of squads. Sixth Division, automobiles for disabled veterans, in column of three. Disabled veterans of all wars will form the Sixth Division.

(2) The assistant adjutant general of each department is especially enjoined to see that this formation is maintained.

(3) Each department will take up the line of march as uncovered, maintaining a distance of 60 feet between departments.

(4) The guide will be right.

(5) Markers will be placed designating the formation of each department.

(6) Department commanders will not leave the column after passing the reviewing stand but will continue the march with their departments to the point of dismissal of column. They will then report to the reviewing stand.

(7) Division commanders will continue the march to point of dismissal and will then report to the marshal near reviewing stand.

(8) No organizations will be allowed to leave the column until regularly dismissed.

(9) All units of the parade will continue the march past to East Ninth and Grand Avenue.

(10) At East Ninth and Grand Avenue the parade will disband and the division chiefs will be careful to follow the instructions of staff officers stationed at that point so that there will be no confusion in the disbanding of the parade. It is very essential that the various units of the parade shall follow the instructions of these staff officers so that divisions and units will not interfere with the progress of the parade in passing the reviewing stand.

(11) Lieut. Col. Park A. Findley will be in charge of the disbanding of the parade and will be obeyed accordingly. He will select his own aids.

XII. (a) The Seventh Division will be composed of veterans of the Spanish-American War and the Great War and will be the guard of honor through which the parade will pass. These veterans will take up a position on either side of Locust Street from West Eighth Street to the reviewing stand facing in. The Spanish War veterans will take up position from Eighth Street east just as far as their line will extend. Then the veterans of the Great War will join and carry the line east to the reviewing stand. The chief of this division will



see that the proper interval is maintained so that the line will reach the reviewing stand.

(b) As the rear of the Sixth Division passes, the guard of honor will follow it in column of squads and march past the commander in chief of the Grand Army at the reviewing stand.

(c) Uniforms, in so far as possible, will be worn.

### XIII. Formation.—

First division: Platoon of police; Argonne Post Band; marshal and staff; color guard; U. S. Marines; chief of division, Lieut. Col. Casper Schenk; aids, Lieut. Joseph Lorentzen, Sergt. W. A. Stevens; First Battalion, One hundred and sixty-eighth Infantry; Fourteenth Cavalry; First Squadron One hundred and thirteenth Cavalry; Sons of Veterans; commander in chief Grand Army and party in automobiles.

Second division: Band; chief of division, Col. Guy S. Brewer; aids, Carl Berkman, Leo Weeks; U. S. Grant drum corps; Illinois; Pennsylvania; Wisconsin veteran drum corps; Wisconsin; Ohio.

Third division: Band; chief of division, Col. E. R. Bennett; aids, Maj. J. A. Hoffman, Lieut. Dale Shaw; Shrine drum corps; New York; Connecticut; Massachusetts; New Jersey; Maine; Pasadena G. A. R. drum corps; California and Nevada; Rhode Island; New Hampshire.

Fourth division: Band; chief of division, Col. L. D. Ross; aids, Lieut. John Wallace, Lieut. Phineas Henry; Vermont, Potomac, Virginia, North Carolina, and Maryland; Nebraska drum corps; Nebraska; Michigan drum corps; Michigan; Updegraff drum corps; Indiana; Denver veteran drum corps; Colorado and Wyoming; Kansas drum corps; Kansas; Delaware.

Fifth Division: Chief of Division, Lieut. Col. Claude M. Stanley; aids, Lieut. George Perley, Lieut. Nelson Goodsell; Minnesota; Missouri; Oregon; Kentucky; West Virginia; South Dakota Drum Corps; South Dakota, Washington, and Alaska; Arkansas, New Mexico, Utah, Tennessee, Louisiana, and Mississippi; Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia, and South Carolina; North Dakota, Alabama, Oklahoma; Iowa Veteran Drum Corps; Pulver's Drum Corps; Iowa.

Sixth Division: Band; Chief of Division, Mr. Harry S. Haskins; aids, Mr. Bert L. Zuver, Mr. Blair A. Quick; disabled veterans in automobiles.

Seventh Division: Argonne Post Band; Chief of Division, Lieut. Col. W. S. Conkling; aids, Vice Comdr. George E. Griffith, Adjt. Rex Fowler, Virgil E. Kepford, H. L. Fickel, A. B. Pray; Spanish-American War Veterans; Shrine Drum Corps; Veterans of the Great War.

By order of—

H. H. POLK, *Marshal.*

Approved for G. A. R.:

LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief.*

WILLIAM C. PECKHAM,

*Adjutant General.*

### THE GRAND PARADE.

The following accounts of the parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, held Wednesday morning, September 27, are from the pens of various newspaper correspondents:

[Des Moines Evening Tribune. By Henry Prentiss.]

Under a brilliant Indian summer sun and a sky as blue as their uniforms the grand old men of the grand old army marched to-day, bravely and pathetically, only about 20,000 strong, cheered on by some 100,000 persons from Des Moines and Iowa.

Tears gleamed in the eyes of Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher as he stood in the reviewing stand watching the boys in blue totter past, their eyes turned gallantly right, their thin ranks wavering after the long march from West Tenth Street to the capitol grounds.

But they did it. It was hard for them, but with the spirit of 1861 they accomplished it.

As the blue ranks wavered past the reviewing stand, kept going by the shrilling fifes playing old war songs and by the cheers of the densely packed crowd lining the way, many an old soldier straggling far behind his company straightened up and waved his hand to the commander.

For hours the old soldiers marched. Music, cheers, and the spirit of the Grand Army of the Republic leading them on in spite of worn bodies no longer accustomed to the long jaunts of soldiers.

At 10.55 Commander Pilcher and Hanford MacNider, chief of the American Legion, drove up to the reviewing stand in front of the capitol and took their places on the dais amidst cheers of the great crowd assembled there.

Governor Kendall, the eighteen aged past commanders in chief, and several hundred uniformed aids of the commanders followed and were placed about the reviewing stand in the court of honor.

Meanwhile, the columns, marching in far-off invisible flag-filled Locust Street, halted while these officials assumed their places.

Then the music commenced and the column swung to the south in a detour directly past the reviewing center.

The first part of the parade represented youth, stalwart policemen, Colonel Polk and his mounted staff of youthful World War veterans, the Fourteenth Cavalry, clanking artillery, and sturdily marching middle-aged Sons of Veterans soon swarmed past the onlookers.

Beginning at 10.30, the whistling of fife and the sounding of drums heralded the first of the G. A. R. veterans in the parade. A tremendous cheering arose which seemed to express the love of the people of to-day for the brave old men who fought for the Union in 1861.

The Civil War Musicians Drum Corps was the first outfit to swing past the stand, following them came the other departments in order, long gaps often interspersing the column.

#### PARADE STARTS EARLY.

At 10.30 the head of the column appeared far off down Locust Street, barely discernible at first.

Down the densely packed flagged street the dark-blue ranks of the police squadron first marched into the view of the thousands packed into and about the court of honor, white-columned before the State capitol.

The distant khaki of Cavalry followed.

Moving slowly, the column turned at Pennsylvania Avenue and on gradually southward in a detour to the reviewing stand.

Then appeared the marching colors, the scheme of the colors and of the day—brilliant red, as of rich wine; white, shining in the glare of the warming sun; blue, as somber as the age creeping in on the thousands marching and the thousands too feeble to march.

These last sat in the stands along the way; some rode in cars.

For hours before and during the parade the streets were lined with dense crowds of young men and women, children, older folks, but none so old as the veterans they came to see.

#### LOCUST STREET WAS PACKED.

Locust Street was packed, almost shut in the business district. Overhead, flags flapped in the warm sun, and, outlined against the brilliant blue sky, countless heads peered from upper windows.

Along the way as the old men marched, shuffling along the warming pavement, cheer after cheer arose. A myriad of small flags were waved in countless hands. At the Locust Street Bridge gay-clad school children were banked.

Here flower girls ran out and threw posies at the gay marchers—and smiled at them, quickening their faltering steps.

#### GREATEST PARADE BEGUN.

About the reviewing stand thousands of women of the auxiliaries sat amid varicolored flags and emblems.

The green of the capitol grounds was almost hidden by the crowd of surging onlookers, craning their necks to view the marching men.

High on the capitol balcony the people crowded, and even the highest turret balcony of the statehouse was filled.



The parade really started early Wednesday morning. Before the morning sun had fully risen over the downtown buildings, the streets were filled with veterans, trim khaki World War soldiers, civilians, free for the morning.

In every by-street the States gathered. Shrill fifes sounded everywhere, a band marched down Locust Street, wheeled at Tenth and took its place, quieting down to await the opening 10 o'clock gun.

Stamping horses pushed among the gathering crowds near the rendezvous at Tenth and Locust. Colored veterans marched through the whirling, shuffling maze of people preparing for the start. Shouts, thrilling fifes, the slow chug of slow-driven motor cars—then the distant boom of the starting gun, the last great parade of G. A. R. had begun.

[By Ben A. Markson.]

America's patriarch patriots swept in a colorful, stirring procession through the streets of Des Moines to-day.

Although the ranks of the old guard have been decimated by the years, it was a mighty cavalcade, a scene to be cherished in memory by the myriad onlookers, that wended its way from West Tenth and Locust Streets to the reviewing stand of Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher at the capitol grounds.

Probably it is the last spectacular march of the G. A. R., for in the few national encampments to come there will remain but a vestige of that immortal phalanx that buttressed the foundations of the Republic through the threatened chaos of the Civil War period.

But to-day the fighting disciples of the martyred emancipator staged a monumental example of patriotism.

#### EPIC OF LOVE OF COUNTRY.

The parade was an epic of love of country.

The windrow that steadily reaps its ranks finds naught of flinching in this human bulwark of the Nation. Courtly old gentlemen, brave soldiers, infirm and weak with their weight of years, they proudly followed Old Glory again to-day. Some faltered and had to be assisted from the line of march, but the feeble bodies housed eternal pluck. They carried on as long as they could walk.

Fifes rose shrilly above the detonations of the drums like a pæon from dauntless hearts. Locust Street, for the time, was the Nation's artery of heroism.

It pulsed and surged with inspired humanity.

To the onlookers it seemed that freedom, become animate, led the march.

In the center of the country's greatest agricultural district, a place typifying peace and plenty, Mars beat his gigantic tympan in commemoration of 1861. Twenty thousand crusaders of human liberty, the youngest of them at the last biblical milestone of life, their dean a centenarian, kept cadence in the review of an epochal victory.

#### TIME PAUSED.

Time paused, reversed its cycle. Eighteen sixty-one! The materialism of 1922 vanished. The automobiles in which many of the veterans rode lost their significance. Tall buildings receded. The present became oblivion. There was Old Glory up ahead. The fifes and drums wove a spell. Back along the line of march sounded the lilt of bands, but it was merely an accompaniment from the pit as the drama of retrospect unrolled and became realism.

Under the canopy of flags flamed the splendid spectacle, a splendor mingled with pathos.

Tired old eyes were agleam with youth; the bent shoulders swayed with the fervor of a military march; the age-weary feet tapped heel and toe—lifted and fell, lifted and fell to the rhythm of the march.

#### DETERMINED, IF NOT STEADY.

There, toward the head of the line, were the ranks of those sturdy enough to march; or, if not sturdy, at least determined and therefore imbued with strength. "Look ahead there, boys. There's Grant astride that bay, gritting his cigar," they seemed to be saying. "And there are Sheridan and Sherman, Meade and Hooker."

The drums boom and with the crescendo, minds flash with perfect detail over the heroic encounters of the Civil War; Vicksburg and the mounds of carnage, Shilo—the drumhead of the sky—reverberating to the guns, Gettysburg! The charnel field of decision.

The front of the parade at Tenth and Locust Streets gushed its gallant throngs until the tide seemed ceaseless. In addition to the G. A. R. there were Spanish-American War veterans, Sons of Veterans, and 2,000 soldiers of the World War. Approximately 25,000 men were in the living lance that headed east on Locust Street to Pennsylvania Avenue, south to Court Avenue, and then north on East Ninth Street to the capitol grounds.

The invisible line between smiles and tears marked the mood of the tremendous crowds banked along the route of the parade. The witchery in the message of the fifes sent the fire of the battle fields coursing through the watchers and it seemed that their heart beats must be audible above the roll of the drums. Where the hundreds of old veterans—the insistent marchers—strode, the bands cascaded their martial volume triumphantly, but slowed the time of the music to their pace.

#### ADMIRATION—VENERATION.

Admiration for the young soldiers—veneration for the aged. Salvos of applause greeted the flashing bayonets of the One hundred and sixty-eighth Infantry and the yet powerful tread of the Spanish War veterans, but the indescribable acclaim that billowed for the Grand Army heroes had a tremolo note, an undercurrent of sighs. There were tears for comrades dead and a sad benediction for those who rode to-day with calm acceptance toward their goal, the mecca of immortality.

#### SHADOW OF THE PAST.

And as the thin line of this Grand Army blue filed slowly past, many for the last time, our friends traveled back through history's pages and we resolved with the immortal Lincoln:

"That this Nation under God shall have a new birth of freedom, and the government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth."

[Des Moines Capital, September 27, 1922.]

Bowed in body and thinned in ranks but stalwart in the spirit that sent them marching through history from Fort Sumter to Appomattox Courthouse the surviving veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic marched again triumphant through the streets of Des Moines and passed in review before their commander in chief to-day.

To the familiar roll of their battle drums and the shrill call of the fife, they stepped off at the brisk 90-pace cadence behind the colors they bore to victory more than half a century ago. Few persons in Des Moines will require a written picture of that column. The throngs that alternated between awe and tear-blurred vision and tingling thrills of admiration and respect indicated that the entire city appreciated the opportunity to witness a spectacle that may never be seen again in America.

Less a tragedy of time than an exemplification of the immortal glory that shines about their heads, the 15,000 marchers were symbolic of the cause for which they fought and for which their comrades died. The knowledge of their unique position in the citizenry of the United States quickened the steps that have long since begun to falter.

The parade was a triumph of organization on the part of the local committee and a striking demonstration of the permanence of discipline instilled in the veterans in the hard school of the service.

#### FORWARD, MARCH!

As the command, "Forward, march!" rang out, exactly at 10 o'clock the platoon of police stepped off ahead of Marshal H. H. Polk and his staff mounted officers and Argonne Post band blared out a military march that fixed the cadence for the following column.

Old Glory floated from a staff borne aloft by a husky United States marine and flanked by the regulation color guard.



Lieut. Col. Casper Schenk, chief of the first division, with a body of aids marched at the head of the First Battalion of the One hundred and sixty-eighth Infantry, Iowa National guard, the regiment which grew up after the war from Iowa's famous fighting portion of the Rainbow Division.

Two cavalry units, the Fourteenth from Fort Des Moines, Regular Army men, and the first squadron of the One hundred and thirteenth Cavalry, Iowa National Guard, preceded the marching hundreds of Sons of Veterans, many of them to be followed farther back in the column by their warrior fathers whose exploits their organization seeks to perpetuate in the memory of America.

#### PILCHER AND MACNIDER.

Side by side in the first automobile of the parade Gen. Lewis S. Pilcher, of Brooklyn, N. Y., commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and Hanford MacNider, of Mason City, Iowa, commander of its twentieth century counterpart, the American Legion, occupied the position of honor at the immediate head of the marching host of veterans.

Six automobiles carried the other national officers of the Grand Army: Robert W. McBride, senior vice commander in chief; Henry A. Johnson, junior vice commander in chief; Marshall W. Wood, surgeon general; George B. Smith, chaplain general; William C. Peckham, adjutant general; C. D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general; Thomas S. Hopkins, judge advocate general; Richard A. Sarle, inspector general; Levi Longfellow, national patriotic instructor; Birt F. Parsons, chief of staff; and Rufus L. Chase, senior aid-de-camp.

As the column arrived at West Eighth and Locust Streets, it passed through the double ranks of Spanish-American War veterans lining the curbs and facing in on both sides of the street, and in the next block entered the passageway formed by the extended-order ranks of World War veterans, many of them in uniform.

#### SCHOOL CHILDREN THERE.

Myriad flags fluttered and showers of autumn flowers fell in the path of the marchers and strewed the laps of the officers riding in cars as the procession crossed the Locust Street Bridge, where hundreds of school children greeted it. A tremendous volume of applause went up that swept the parade district from one end to another as the Second Division, with the first of the venerable "boys in blue," appeared in the line.

The marchers passed through the civic center at the river front, traversed the business district of East Des Moines, and reaching the western slope of the wide expanse of the capitol extension grounds, they swept impressively around the base of the hill in full view of the thousands who filled the natural amphitheater of the statehouse grounds, pressing close to the curbs of the drives and overflowing to the very foundations of the statehouse itself, on the balconies and at the windows of which hundreds of others had watched its progress.

#### MOUNTS REVIEWING STAND.

At the reviewing stand in the center of the richly decorated court of honor the parade marshal turned his mount over to the waiting orderlies and, with his staff, took up positions as a guard of honor for Commander in Chief Pilcher and staff, who also dropped from the column at this point to enter the reviewing stand. As the following veterans arrived at the general's stand each department flag was dipped in salute and marchers executed "eyes right," the commander in chief responding to each salute.

[The National Tribune, Washington, D. C.]

Hark! I hear the tramp of thousands  
And of marching men the hum.  
Lo, the Nation's hosts are gathering,  
And the solemn sounding drum  
Booms, "Awake, freemen; come!  
Ere your heritage be wasted."

How may one speak of the marching hosts of the Grand Army of the Republic except in the superlative? These hosts are the epitome of the history of the Republic during the four awful years of southern rebellion against constituted

authority and the Union Government. Their fathers were the makers of the Republic and these, the sons, were its saviors. From the halting steps and frail bodies of these shrinking hosts, of a pitiful 10,000 or so, memory harks back 60 years to the days when 2,000,000 strong, stalwart boys in blue marched from the North into the South to stay the riot and red ruin of jealous prejudice, the hot passions of misguided partisans, and drive foul treason into the sea.

How well these 2,000,000 men executed the duties laid down for them by the mighty Lincoln and his lieutenants, Grant, Sherman, Thomas, Sheridan, and their legions, Appomattox tells the story.

These marching men were the conquerors in the mightiest war for principle that the world ever waged—a war unexampled for personal and for massed heroism; unequaled in all the wars of the world from the beginning of recorded history to the present day; a war so decided that when the white flag of treason went skyward on the field of Appomattox and Grant sent the wasted men of Lee's army back to their homes with food, horses, and forage no murmur of revolt was heard and there was never any thereafter.

The end was peace, and prosperity has been her handmaid through all the intervening years. These men, and their comrades sleeping on a thousand hills and in ten thousand valleys, are the sires and grandsires of those boys who carried the unsoiled flag of their forefathers over the seas to another conquest for principles that but for the everlasting and unconquered spirit of American manhood would have ended in a defeat and precipitated upon the world another reign of terror relegating us to the horrors of the Dark Ages.

For over 50 years these marching men dominated the policies of the growing Republic and set the standards of the world. Five of their comrades were exalted heads of the Nation and for more than two generations shaped legislation in Congress, in cabinet positions, as governors of States, and in minor offices.

Their latter days are their best days, for the whole world pays homage for the glorious deeds of the past and the effect of those valorous deeds upon the cleaner and more perfect Union of States and of nations which have vastly profited by their conclusive declaration of principles, unchanged from the beginning and unwavering through four years of suffering, supreme trial, and blood sacrifice.

Here a pretty cottage; yonder a stately mansion; there towering business buildings and on the hill the beautiful capitol building; and you saw these between walls of flags as you rode about the city.

Between walls of these flags and of men, women, and children the veterans marched to their haven on the hill, where Commander in Chief Pilcher reviewed them with the Governor of Iowa as his guest.

One of the great features of that tremendous crowd was the school children. There were tens of thousands of them, from corn-fed kindergarteners to high-school seniors—happy, laughing, yelling youngsters—most of them carrying flags. They shouted for pure joy of making all the noise they could for once in their lives. They enlivened the whole line of march with their songs of war days and their school slogans. They seemed to like best the songs that had "hurrah" in them. Kids who couldn't sing a note could yell "hurrah," and the marching men joined in, and so did everybody else who could sing at all. God and His hosts heard that magnificent music as it rolled up and up to the blue-vaulted, sun-bright dome of the eternal heavens, and the recording angel noted the love and reverence of those who were paying homage to those war-worn veterans.

Iowa is making men and women of her school children. Men and women, they will be replicas of Iowa's war-days men and women, when the young State sent her best to the front and her women tilled the farms, took care of the homes, reared the children, and sent rich gifts of bandages, lint, hospital garments, and huge quantities of delicacies for the wounded and suffering at the front. Sometimes they took wagon and horses, left the kids with the neighbors, and drove to the front all alone. Hairbreadth stories these women can tell never paralleled in history.

Iowa's veterans marched last in the parade, and they were nearly an hour in passing. A brave showing, indeed, nearly 60 years after.





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I. Having been elected commander in chief by the Fifty-fifth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command.

II. Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic are established in the building of U. S. Grant Post, 489 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., where all official communications will be addressed to the adjutant general.

III. The following appointments are hereby announced:

Adjutant general: William C. Peckham, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Quartermaster general: Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.  
Judge advocate general: Thomas S. Hopkins, Washington, D. C.  
Inspector general: R. A. Sarle, San Francisco, Calif.  
National patriotic instructor: Levi Longfellow, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records: J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Chief of staff: Birt F. Parsons, Brooklyn, N. Y.

IV. Further appointments will be announced in future general orders.

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
*Commander in Chief.*



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HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
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Brooklyn, N. Y., November 1, 1921.

I. At the Fifty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Indianapolis, Ind., September 25 to 29, 1921, the following-named comrades were elected to the office designated below:

Commander in chief: Lewis S. Pilcher, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Senior vice commander in chief: Robert W. McBride, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Junior vice commander in chief: Henry A. Johnson, Washington, D. C.  
Surgeon general: Marshall W. Wood, M. D., Boise, Idaho.  
Chaplain in chief: Rev. George B. Smith, Minneapolis, Minn.  
Council of administration:  
Alabama, George F. Jackson, Birmingham.  
Arizona, E. S. Godfrey, Cookstown, N. J.  
Arkansas, Cos Altenberg, Little Rock.  
California and Nevada, Chas. F. Derby, Los Angeles.  
Colorado and Wyoming, M. S. Crawford, Denver.  
Connecticut, Harry L. Beach, Hartford.  
Delaware, William Kelley, Wilmington.  
Florida, John De Graw, St. Cloud.  
Georgia and South Carolina, G. E. Whitman, Fitzgerald, Ga.  
Idaho, Geo. F. Kimery, Boise.  
Illinois, John B. Inman, Springfield.  
Indiana, Alonzo Murphy, Greensburg.  
Iowa, J. W. Willett, Tama.  
Kansas, E. W. Phillips, Wichita.  
Kentucky, Americus Whedon,<sup>2</sup> Washington, D. C.  
Louisiana and Mississippi, Basile Ulgere, New Orleans.  
Maine, Edwin Riley, Livermore Falls.  
Maryland, Jacob R. Tucker, Baltimore.  
Massachusetts, Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Newton.  
Michigan, H. A. Chapin, Lansing.  
Minnesota, Levi Longfellow, Minneapolis.  
Missouri, John M. Williams, California.  
Montana, R. L. Cleveland, Great Falls.  
Nebraska, W. H. Stewart, Geneva.  
New Hampshire, Wm. Blair, Berlin.  
New Jersey, Wm. O. Allen, Newark.  
New Mexico, W. W. McDonald, Albuquerque.  
New York, George A. Price, Brooklyn.  
North Dakota, James McCormick, Devil's Lake.  
Ohio, John C. Roland, Cleveland.  
Oklahoma, S. P. Strahan, Perry.  
Oregon, S. F. Blythe, Hood River.  
Pennsylvania, J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda.  
Potomac, John Middleton, Washington, D. C.  
Rhode Island, John A. Medbery, East Providence.  
South Dakota, J. C. Luce, Groton.  
Tennessee, Newton Hacker, Jonesboro.  
Texas, Henry W. Nye, Fort Worth.  
Utah, Henry W. Charter, Salt Lake City.  
Vermont, J. M. Hyde, Bennington.  
Virginia and North Carolina, George W. Burchfield, National Soldiers' Home.  
Washington and Alaska, F. H. Hurd, Seattle.  
West Virginia, S. R. Hanen, Glen Easton.  
Wisconsin, Fred W. Wardrobe, Waukesha.

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<sup>2</sup> Deceased.

## Trustees of permanent fund:

William J. Patterson, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Walton Webber, Columbus, Ohio.

Frank R. Chase, Smyrna, Mich.

## II. The following appointments on the staff of the commander in chief are hereby announced:

Adjutant general: William C. Peckham, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Quartermaster general: Cola D. R. Stowits, Buffalo, N. Y.

Judge advocate general: Thomas S. Hopkins, Washington, D. C.

Inspector general: Richard A. Sarle, San Francisco, Calif.

Patriotic instructor: Levi Longfellow, Minneapolis, Minn.

Assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records: J. Henry Holcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.

Chief of staff: Birt F. Parsons, Brooklyn, N. Y.

## III. As members of the executive committee of the council of administration, the following comrades have been named:

George A. Price, Brooklyn, N. Y.

J. W. Willett, Tama, Iowa.

J. Andrew Wilt, Towanda, Pa.

John B. Inman, Springfield, Ill.

Harry L. Beach, Hartford, Conn.

Americus Whedon,<sup>2</sup> Washington, D. C.

John C. Roland, Cleveland, Ohio.

## IV. National headquarters are established in the building of U. S. Grant Post, No. 327, Department of New York, at 489 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. All official communications should be sent to the adjutant general at this address.

## V. The following committees are hereby appointed:

## Committee on legislation:

John M. Clem, Washington, D. C., chairman.

John McElroy, Washington, D. C.

William J. Patterson, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Daniel M. Hall, Columbus, Ohio.

Wilfred A. Wetherbee, Newton, Mass.

## Committee on rules, regulations, and ritual:

Charles G. Burton, Kansas City, Mo.

William A. Ketcham, Indianapolis, Ind.

John R. King, Baltimore, Md.

Oscar A. Janes, Detroit, Mich.

Edwin C. Milliken, Portland, Me.

## Committee on Gettysburg peace monument:

Ell Torrance, Minneapolis, Minn., chairman.

James Tanner, Washington, D. C.

Oscar A. Janes, Detroit, Mich.

Levi G. McCauley, West Chester, Pa.

David Beem, Spencer, Ind.

George W. Martin, Brookfield, Me.

L. L. Cadwell, Decorah, Iowa.

John B. Banderob, Oshkosh, Wis.

George Breck, New York, N. Y.

Thomas S. Hopkins, Washington, D. C.

E. L. Hawk, Sacramento, Calif.

## VI. Appointments as aids-de-camp will be made only upon the recommendation of department commanders. They are requested to forward to these headquarters as soon as possible the names of comrades whom they desire to recommend as such. The full name, not initials simply, the post office address, and post number of each nominee should be given.

## VII. Assistant quartermaster generals must forward all requisitions for supplies, etc., with remittances therefor direct to Comrade Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general, 877 Ellicott Square, Buffalo. Drafts, checks, and

<sup>2</sup> Deceased.



money orders should be made payable to him as quartermaster general. All remittances for amounts of less than \$5 must be sent in post-office money orders.

VIII. Assistant adjutant generals are requested to forward promptly to these headquarters notice of the death of any permanent member of the national encampment in their department, with brief sketch of military and Grand Army service, that it may be published in general orders.

IX. The assistant adjutant general of each department is requested to send to these headquarters, without delay, a copy of the department roster and journal of the last department encampment. He is also requested to send to national headquarters all general orders issued in his department.

X. At an early day the proposed itinerary of the commander in chief will be sent to the assistant adjutant generals, and each is especially requested to note the time when the commander in chief will be in his department. If possible the department encampment should be arranged so that it will occur at that time; otherwise a meeting of as many of the comrades as possible should be held to greet the commander in chief, when he is in the department.

XI. Department commanders will see that annual reports for the year ending December 31, 1921, are forwarded to these headquarters promptly, with check or money order for the per capita tax of 5 cents for a half year, made payable to Cola D. R. Stowits, quartermaster general.

XII. The Fifty-fifth National Encampment adopted the following amendments to the rules and regulations:

1. To amend chapter 2, article 7, section 1, so as to read: "The post officers (the adjutant, quartermaster, patriotic instructor, sergeant major, and quartermaster sergeant excepted) shall be elected," etc., and the second paragraph of the same section so as to read: "At the installation of officers the post commander shall appoint the adjutant, quartermaster," etc.

All will take notice that this change is mandatory upon the commander, and will observe it accordingly. The quartermaster is added to the list of appointed officers.

2. To authorize posts to employ a secretary or stenographer to be present at their meetings and transcribe the proceedings in the journal kept for that purpose.

3. To change the rate of representation in the national encampment, so that a department shall have a representative for each 200 members.

XIII. The Fifty-fifth National Encampment adopted the following resolutions:

1. That an address to the flag be prepared by the men who now average 80 years of age and who fought in its defense and for its preservation 60 years ago; that a committee of seven be appointed by the present commander in chief to prepare such an address; that it be published and circulated throughout the United States and that department and national officers give aid to further this end.

2. That we disapprove the organization called the Ku-Klux Klan as a standing menace to constitutional government and the open and impartial administration of the law. The name itself is enough to arouse the condemnation of all in whose veins flows the blood of the veterans of 1861-1865.

3. That no society of women which is not at this time associated or affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic shall be hereafter associated, affiliated, or recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic.

4. That we tender to Comrade Henry Z. Osborne, past senior vice commander in chief, and now the only veteran of the Union Army and the only comrade of the Grand Army in Congress, our heartfelt thanks for his services in securing the insertion in the revenue bill, which has passed the House and is now before the Senate, of a section exempting from income tax the pensions of the veterans of all wars in which the United States has ever engaged.

5. Whereas we have heard that the Woman's Relief Corps, in its zeal to preserve the flag from dishonor, has removed it from its altars and substituted a strip of tri-color upon which to place the Holy Bible, and

Whereas we firmly believe that the Holy Bible and the Star-Spangled Banner are both symbolic of our faith, love, devotion, and veneration: Therefore

*Resolved*, That we respectfully request our esteemed and devoted auxiliary to restore the national flag to its place upon its altars and place thereon the Holy Bible, as the two most sacred symbols of our national life.

6. That all restrictions heretofore placed on the style of dress of the Sons of Veterans, the official escort of the Grand Army of the Republic, in parades,



be hereby rescinded, and said matter be placed in the hands of the council of administration or of its executive committee.

7. That all restrictions heretofore adopted concerning the location of the headquarters of our auxiliaries in the same hotels with our own at national encampments be rescinded.

8. That the encampment indorses House bill 2882, to pension blind or partially blind children of persons who served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps during the Civil War.

9. That we learn with regret that suggestions are made to erect lofty buildings upon the circle fronting upon the splendid monument which the State of Indiana has erected and now maintains to keep alive the memory of her "silent victors"; and that, so far as we have a right to do so, we protest against the erection of any buildings which may tend to mar or belittle the monument.

10. That the life and public services of Abraham Lincoln should be taught in the public schools of our common country; that the several departments of the Grand Army of the Republic are hereby directed to appoint committees whose duties shall be to go before the legislatures of their States and urge them to pass laws making the study of the life of Abraham Lincoln a part of the curriculum of the high schools of their State; that a committee be appointed by this encampment to prepare a model bill for this purpose and that this bill be printed by the national officers and distributed to the several departments by general orders. The committee appointed consisted of Comrades Gardner, Burton, and Fallows.

11. That our sincere and grateful thanks are extended to the city of Indianapolis for coming to our rescue in entertaining the encampment this year, when she had already so cordially received us in 1920, thus illustrating, in the language of our commander in chief, "the splendid character of her patriotism, loyalty, and devotion to the Grand Army of the Republic." That we extend to the citizens our thanks and appreciation for their hospitality, for furnishing automobiles freely about the city, and to the street railways for their kindness in giving free transportation in their cars. That we especially thank the girl and boy scouts for their untiring assistance, for which they are deserving of our highest consideration.

We make thankful acknowledgment to the passenger associations for the liberal concession made in rates to this encampment, and especially to the representatives of the central and transcontinental associations for their courteous attention and patience in their efforts to assist the commander in chief and the executive committee in their efforts to secure uniform rates to all.

We thank the press of this city for giving so liberally of their space and thus securing desired publicity to our meetings.

We especially thank Governor McCray, who gave to our executive committee \$7,500 from the State contingent fund, and the mayor and city council, who donated \$12,000, thus enabling the proper arrangements to be made.

We are particularly grateful to the United Mine Workers of America, who generously allowed us the use of Tomlinson Hall for two evenings, and the Masonic Brotherhood of Indianapolis for the use of their hall to-day.

12. Attention is again called to the action of the encampment of 1920, which was as follows:

That at future meetings of the national encampment, in order that the business of the encampment shall not be interrupted during the sessions thereof, a semiofficial meeting shall be called by general orders of the commander in chief prior to the sessions of the national encampment, and presided over by the commander in chief, and at such meeting all addresses of welcome and the greetings of our affiliated patriotic organizations shall be presented, and that no visits from representatives of affiliated organizations be permitted at the regular sessions of the encampment.

XIV. Copies of General Orders, No. 1, which were issued to department headquarters only, will not be sent to departments for distribution to posts, as the information contained therein is contained in these general orders.

XV. The commander in chief desires to return to his comrades his sincere thanks for and his grateful appreciation of the high honor conferred upon him by the Grand Army of the Republic at its Fifty-ninth National Encampment.

By command of—

LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief.*

Official:

WM. C. PECKHAM,

*Adjutant General.*



GENERAL ORDERS, } HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
No. 3, } BUILDING OF U. S. GRANT POST, NO. 327,  
SERIES 1921-22. } Brooklyn, N. Y., January 16, 1922.

I. NEW YEAR'S GREETING FROM THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

To each comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic the commander in chief sends a message of heartfelt good will at the dawn of this new year. May this year be to you one of peace, happiness, and prosperity. May the evening hour of life be serene while the signal of "lights out" is awaited with hopefulness and content. You have fought your fight; you have been preserved to see the fruition of your labors in the perpetuity and stability of your country, in the honor of your unstained flag, and in the unquestioned supremacy among the powers of the world of that Government which you saved from dissolution. Although no longer from among our comrades may we see governors or Presidents chosen, at the moment we may view with gratification seated in the chair of the Chief Executive of the Nation a son of one of our comrades, an inheritor of the traditions and of the spirit of the defenders of the Union. The new year dawns upon us with greater hope for the future of our land than has ever before attended the course of its history. While life is preserved to us let us continue that dedication of ourselves to the cause of the liberties of mankind which possessed our youth and the exemplification of that spirit of fraternity, charity, and loyalty which has characterized the years of our maturity.

LEWIS STEPHEN PILCHER.

II. GREETINGS FROM THE SONS OF VETERANS, AND THE REPLY.

LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic:*

On behalf of the Sons of Veterans, United States of America, who sincerely believe in the ideals of the Grand Army of the Republic, the principles responsible for the founding of the order, may I wish you and the membership a happy Christmas and a year of assured success in patriotic accomplishment.

CLIFFORD IRELAND,

*Commander in Chief, Sons of Veterans.*

Response by the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Hon. CLIFFORD IRELAND,

*Commander in Chief, Sons of Veterans,*

*House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

MY DEAR COMRADE: Permit me, through you, to extend to the Sons of Veterans a most sincere wish for a prosperous new year.

Never in the history of mankind have the conditions of the world at large been more hopeful than at present, and in a large way I am sure that peace and prosperity are entering upon a new era of advancement. The veterans of the Civil War feel that it has been a wonderful privilege to have had their lives prolonged to see the promise of the present day. This privilege brings duties, first, of unrelenting personal effort for the State; second, of watchful care against false doctrines; and third, of constant effort to transmit to future generations the blessings which attach to the liberties of our land. These duties as we now lay them down we transmit to you, our sons.

In the name of all my comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic I wish for your order a prosperous and fruitful year.

LEWIS STEPHEN PILCHER.

III. GREETINGS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION AND THE REPLY.

LEWIS S. PILCHER,

*Commander in Chief, Grand Army of the Republic:*

The American Legion salutes the gallant wearers of the blue who stand before us as the living symbols of the ideals which have made our Nation great. We wish you many years of health and happiness.

HANFORD MACNIDER,

*National Commander, American Legion.*

Response by the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic:

HANFORD MACNIDER,

*National Commander, American Legion:*

The Grand Army of the Republic is heartened by the Christmas salutation of the American Legion, to which it looks as the natural inheritor of its own ideals and as the great patriotic bulwark of the Nation in the years to come. May prosperity, vigor, and wisdom attend it.

LEWIS STEPHEN PILCHER.

#### IV. THE GRAND ARMY AND ITS AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

To secure the fullest possible cooperation with the Grand Army itself of all the organizations with which time has endowed it is an object of great importance from the mutual benefit to both the parent and the auxiliary bodies that would result from such work together.

A recent general order from the Department of Iowa describes what may be called "the Iowa plan" and is commended to the attention of other departments. In the opinion of the commander of the Department of Iowa the plan is working well in that State. The Iowa plan is that each month one encampment of the local post of the Grand Army of the Republic is made an open meeting, with the Woman's Relief Corps as the hostess of the occasion. To this meeting all patriotic societies of the vicinity are invited, especially the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Veterans and its auxiliary, the Daughters of Veterans, the Spanish War Veterans and their auxiliary, and the American Legion and its auxiliary. By such meetings would be strengthened the ties of fraternity and loyalty that should bind all kindred patriotic organizations together.

#### V. COMMITTEE FOR THE GRANT CENTENNIAL.

The commander in chief has appointed the committees which were authorized by the national encampment at Indianapolis. They are as follows:

Committee of Arrangements for Observance of Hundredth Anniversary of Birth of Gen. Ulysses Simpson Grant:

National Committee—

Honorary chairman—

Warren G. Harding, President of the United States.

Honorary vice chairmen—

Calvin Coolidge, Vice President of the United States. Frederick H. Gillette, Speaker, House of Representatives. William H. Taft, Chief Justice Supreme Court. John W. Weeks, Secretary of War. Edwin Denby, Secretary of Navy. John J. Pershing, General United States Army. Knute Nelson, United States Senate. Francis E. Warren, United States Senate. Henry Z. Osborne, House of Representatives. Richard Yates, House of Representatives. H. L. Davis, governor of Ohio. Len Small, governor of Illinois. Nathan L. Miller, governor of New York. Leo Rassieur, past commander in chief, G. A. R. John R. King, past commander in chief, G. A. R. James Tanner, past commander in chief, G. A. R. Washington Gardner, past commander in chief, G. A. R. Agnes H. Parker, national president, Woman's Relief Corps. Annie M. Michener, national president, Ladies of the G. A. R. Louise N. Benson, national president, Daughters of Veterans. Clifford Ireland, commander in chief, Sons of Veterans. Margaret P. Stephens, national president, Sons of Veterans Auxiliary. James Mortimer Montgomery, national president, Sons of Revolution. Nelson A. Miles, Commander in chief, M. O. Loyal Legion. Oscar E. Carlstrom, Commander in chief, United Spanish War Veterans. Hanford MacNider, national commander, American Legion.

Executive committee—

Thos. S. Hopkins, *chairman*, 801 Hibbs Bldg., Washington, D. C. Albert E. Sholes, *secretary*. Samuel Fallows. John Joy Edson. Ell Torrance. Cola D. R. Stowits. John McElroy. John L. Clem. James W. Willett. Philip A. Nordell. Duncan J. McMillan.

State committees—

The commander, assistant adjutant general, patriotic instructor in each department.



Each State committee should at an early day begin its work. The basis of the work is laid down in the recommendations which were sent out with General Order. No. 2. Extra copies of these can be had upon application to the adjutant general at headquarters. Use these to gain the attention of the town, city, and school authorities of your department, and form committees in the department to carry the work throughout the department. It will be a great help to correspond with the executive committee on the subject.

#### VI. THE ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY OF GEN. U. S. GRANT.

The chief event of the year for the Grand Army is the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. U. S. Grant. For this celebration plans are rapidly taking shape. A general order will be issued on this subject as soon as definite statements can be made, probably early in March. It is expected that throughout the Nation, in cities, villages and hamlets, the 27th of April will be observed by public meetings where there will be special addresses and other exercises in which the life and character of the greatest soldier of his time shall be recounted and emphasized. We look especially to the schools of the country to lead in this. The commanders and patriotic instructors of our posts are relied upon to secure the attention of the clergy, the local authorities, and the superintendents and principals of schools to this great event.

To centralize the energies of our people in this direction an excellent program for the service of the day has been prepared by the national patriotic instructor, Levi Longfellow, of Minneapolis, Minn. A copy of this program is inclosed for the use of the patriotic instructor in each post. He should call upon the persons named above, consult with them and secure their cooperation in his work. There is no doubt that a hearty cooperation will be given by every patriotic American. The work of preparation for the day can begin now and upon the receipt of the general order it can be rapidly advanced to completion. Extra copies of the program can be had for \$2.50 per hundred copies, which is the cost of printing and postage. It is hoped that large numbers of the school children will have them as souvenirs of the event. The picture of General Grant which it contains has never before been reproduced.

Look for the general order and meanwhile create in your community an enthusiasm and interest in this great occasion.

#### VII. THE ITINERARY OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

The commander in chief announces his itinerary for visits by him to the southern departments, as follows:

January 28, 1922, Baltimore, Md., Department of Maryland.

January 30-31, 1922, Washington, D. C., Department of the Potomac.

February 1-2, 1922, Hampton and Norfolk, Va., Department of Virginia and North Carolina.

February 4, 1922, Knoxville, Tenn., Department of Tennessee; February 5, 1922, Chattanooga, Tenn., Department of Tennessee.

February 7-8, 1922, Birmingham, Ala., Department of Alabama.

February 9-10, 1922, Atlanta, Ga., Department of Georgia and South Carolina.

February 12-13, 1922, St. Cloud, Fla., Department of Florida.

February 14, 1922, Jacksonville, Fla.

February 16-17, 1922, New Orleans, La., Department of Louisiana and Mississippi.

February 19-23, 1922, Little Rock, Ark., Department of Arkansas.

February 27-28, 1922, Louisville, Ky., Department of Kentucky.

April will be devoted to the New England States and the Grant Centennial, May will be given to the Pacific coast and some of the Western Departments, and June to the Central States. By this arrangement he will be able to attend the largest number of encampments possible and especially some which have not had the commander in chief so frequently as the larger departments. In those cases where department encampments can not be held, opportunity will be given for comrades to assemble at the points named and give him a reception. It is expected in this way to give an impetus to the order which will be helpful in many ways.

## VIII. APPOINTMENTS.

As senior aid-de-camp, Rufus L. Chase, the Capitol, Des Moines, Iowa.

To the executive committee of the council of administration, in place of Americus Whedon, deceased, John M. Williams, California, Mo.

As member of the council of administration from Kentucky, in place of Americus Whedon, deceased, M. H. Davidson, Louisville, Ky.

*Aids-de-camp.*—The comrades named below are hereby appointed aids-de-camp upon the staff of the commander in chief. He desires to convey to them his pleasure at their acceptance of the nomination to this honorable position. He looks to them to advance the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic in their several localities.

Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			NEW HAMPSHIRE.		
Thomas R. Scott.....	2	San Francisco.	Josiah N. Jones.....	1	Lawrence, Mass.
John T. Nourse.....	17	Palo Alto.	NEW JERSEY.		
Sylvester W. Sutton..	17	Santa Ana.	NEW YORK.		
Joseph S. Willson....	55	Los Angeles.	G. Dwight Stone.....	25	Elizabeth.
William H. Sallada...	55	Do.	NEW YORK.		
Jacob Verbaum.....	55	Do.	Bernard Murphy.....	21	Brooklyn.
Charles M. Jenkins...	55	Do.	Charles L. Cummings.	21	Do.
Frank J. Hazelton....	200	Sawtelle.	Henry Clay Dunham..	50	Flushing.
William Graham.....	200	Los Angeles.	Edward Barr.....	103	Brooklyn.
COLORADO.			John C. Mullins.....	148	Do.
John W. Hight.....	14	Denver.	William H. French...	197	Do.
Philander W. Cope-	14	Do.	William H. Beebe....	327	Lake Worth, Fla.
land.			Oscar F. Balston.....	327	Brooklyn.
John L. Campbell....	14	Do.	Henry C. Broas.....	327	New York.
Martin Treseder.....	14	Do.	George R. Brown.....	327	Brooklyn.
INDIANA.			William G. Brady....	327	Do.
George W. Fox.....	17	Indianapolis.	John Burrell.....	327	Do.
Albert W. Saint.....	148	New Castle.	William H. Coughlin.	327	Do.
Charles W. Shaw.....	85	Bloomington.	William H. Bates.....	327	Do.
George T. Mead.....	123	Rockport.	William D. Dickey...	327	Do.
Henry Brand.....	123	Do.	George W. Dickinson.	327	Do.
IOWA.			Charles H. Dix.....	327	New York.
John F. Baker.....	12	Des Moines.	Crichton B. French...	327	Vermont.
Oscar W. Lowery....	12	Do.	William W. Grant....	327	Brooklyn.
Adam H. Hart.....	88	Lyons.	Daniel W. Gilbert....	327	Do.
Charles F. Kellogg....	88	Clinton.	John P. Hill.....	327	Do.
Charles V. McClure...	200	Greene.	Fenwick Y. Hedley..	327	Do.
Charles W. O'Brien...	200	Do.	Thos. P. Hollings-	327	Freeport.
Caleb H. Wickersham	452	Marshalltown.	worth.		
Charles W. Kepler....	400	Mount Vernon.	John R. Johnston....	327	Brooklyn.
MICHIGAN.			George W. Keeler....	327	Do.
Walter I. Funk.....	5	Grand Rapids.	Henry C. LaRowe....	327	Do.
James R. Stephenson.	5	Do.	Oliver W. Marvin.....	327	Do.
Andrew B. Chapin...	42	Lansing.	James A. McCafferty..	327	Do.
Marvin C. Barney....	145	Flint.	Jesse W. Mills.....	327	Do.
William H. Mason....	174	Hancock.	Frank C. Mosier.....	327	Pittston, Pa.
Edwin H. Stein.....	395	Grand Rapids.	Henry Opperman....	327	Baldwin, N. Y.
Isaac Grant.....	451	Reed City.	Andrew J. Onderdonk	327	Brooklyn.
Roswell Leavitt.....	206	Bellaire.	Edward E. Stewart...	327	Do.
NEBRASKA.			James H. Storey.....	327	Do.
Joseph Clayton.....	115	Poole.	Alexander Staszewski	327	New York.
Edwin F. Brown.....	25	Lincoln.	Patrick J. Sweeney...	327	Brooklyn.
Francis A. Damewood	25	Do.	James Walker.....	327	Do.
Alfred R. Wilson....	25	Do.	Charles L. Young.....	327	Do.
Henry L. Bond.....	26	Osceola.	Robert Forfar.....	499	Do.
Jackson Abbott.....	31	Ashland.	Joseph A. C. Russell..	499	Do.
Samuel P. Howland..	81	Juniata.	Thomas S. Woodcock.	499	Do.
Justin A. Wilcox.....	207	McCook.	Silas Brink.....	499	Los Angeles.
Thomas Kirtley.....	216	Republican City.	William S. Thompson	499	Brooklyn.
Warren Rucker.....	229	Chadron.	John J. Crook.....	499	Do.
			John A. Williams.....	500	New York.
			Samuel Irvine.....	534	Brooklyn.
			Francis J. Raye.....	534	Do.
			William V. G. Riblet.	557	New York.
			OHIO.		
			Gustavus Smith.....	446	Dayton.



Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address.
OKLAHOMA.			NORTH DAKOTA—CON.		
Adolph A. Beasler....	34	Chandler.	Theodore T. Snow....	6	Sioux Falls.
Wayne O'Donald.....	1	Oklahoma City.	Henry F. Quiggle.....	28	Rapid City.
OREGON.			George W. Dewey....	69	Beresford.
William E. Brownell..	44	Elgin.	Charles Jahnke.....	103	Groton.
Isaac W. Falk.....	36	La Grande.	George A. Lance.....	39	Lake Preston.
PENNSYLVANIA.			William A. Crooks....	10	Sioux Falls.
Andrew J. Reed.....	41	Pittsburgh.	Henry J. Stone.....	94	Custer.
Franklin A. Bushey..	438	Greencastle.	Joseph Elsom.....	54	Northville.
SOUTH DAKOTA.			VERMONT.		
William R. Cross.....	127	Hot Springs.	Joshua M. Hyde.....	42	Bennington.
Benjamin F. Whitehouse.	112	Frederick.	John D. Hanrahan...	14	Rutland.
Henry C. Smith.....	10	Kimball.	James M. Tracy.....	89	Bennington.
			John H. Amadon.....	91	Waterville.
			VIRGINIA.		
			W. B. Getz.....	63	Hampton.
			William Hamilton....	63	Do.

By command of—

WM. C. PECKHAM,  
Adjutant General.

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
Commander in Chief.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 4, }  
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HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
BUILDING OF U. S. GRANT POST, No. 327,  
Brooklyn, N. Y., April 3, 1922.

*I. The one hundredth birthday of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant.*—April 27, 1922, the one hundredth anniversary of the birthday of Ulysses S. Grant, is at hand. The purpose of the Grand Army of the Republic to observe this day in a manner befitting the merits of their great and victorious leader has been steadily kept in view by the commander in chief, and intelligent and continuous labor upon the part of the various committees appointed exerted to secure its accomplishment. The governor of each State in the Union has been requested to call the attention of the citizens of his State to the patriotic significance of this anniversary, and in a large number of instances this request has been complied with and there has resulted a series of State documents of great interest and high historic value. The State of Ohio has organized a service to be held at Point Pleasant, Ohio, the birthplace of General Grant, in which the President of the United States and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, both citizens of that State, will take part. In New York City, at the mausoleum in which the remains of General Grant are preserved, preparations on a large scale have been completed to worthily commemorate the day. In these services the governor of the State, the mayor of the city, the Senators representing the State in Congress, and the commander of the Department of New York, Grand Army of the Republic, will take part. At Washington the Grant Memorial Monument, standing at the foot of the Capitol hill, will be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies in which the Vice President of the United States and the Secretaries of War and of the Navy will take part. The act of dedication will be performed by the commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. These are but outstanding examples of the innumerable services in memory of General Grant which will mark April 27, 1922. In every community the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic should see to it that the day is appropriately celebrated. Especially is this the duty of the commander and patriotic instructor of every post. The various patriotic organizations of the country without exception have expressed their desire to cooperate in the observances of this anniversary although they naturally look to the Grand Army of the Republic to lead. It is urged that everywhere the Grand Army seek this cooperation.

In the schools of the land, of every grade, this opportunity to teach a great and impressive lesson in patriotism should be especially emphasized. Of the program for such services, prepared by the national patriotic instructor, many thousand copies have already been called for. The attention of post patriotic instructors is again called to the value of these programs. The adjutant general will supply them at the cost of printing and postage, which is \$2.50 per hundred copies.

*II. Permanent record of ceremonies.*—Copies of all published accounts of proceedings connected with the Grant birthday observances in any community should be sent promptly to headquarters for preservation. They will form the material from which a suitable memorial volume will be prepared. It will be the duty of post patriotic instructors to collect and forward this matter.

*III. The itinerary of the commander in chief.*—During the months of April and May, 1922, the commander in chief plans to visit the following departments:

- April 10-11, Providence, R. I., Department of Rhode Island.
- April 12-13, Boston, Mass., Department of Massachusetts.
- April 14-15, Concord, N. H., Department of New Hampshire.
- April 20-21, South Norwalk, Conn., Department of Connecticut.
- April 26-27, Washington, D. C., dedication of Grant Monument.
- May 3, Chicago, Ill., reunion of veterans of vicinity.
- May 4-5, Sedalia, Mo., Department of Missouri.
- May 10-11, Riverside, Calif., Department of California.
- May 12, Santa Monica, Calif., inspection of Pacific National Home.
- May 15, Portland, Oreg., reunion of veterans of vicinity.
- May 17, Tacoma Wash.
- May 18, Seattle, Wash., reunion of veterans of vicinity.
- May 20-21, Boise, Idaho, reunion of veterans.
- May 23-24, Salt Lake City, Utah, Department of Utah.
- May 27-29, Brooklyn, N. Y., at headquarters.
- May 30, Washington, D. C., Memorial Day. Dedication of the Lincoln Memorial.



IV. *The national encampment.*—The Fifty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, during the week beginning September 24, 1922. All the preliminary arrangements between the representatives of the citizens of Des Moines and the Grand Army of the Republic have now been satisfactorily completed. The convenience of the location to a large proportion of the Grand Army itself, the attractiveness of the city and its adaptability to such a gathering, the interest and enthusiasm displayed by the citizens as hosts, all combine to render certain that the encampment of this year will equal the best in the annals of the Grand Army. Let every surviving comrade of that Army whose strength and means will permit plan to attend this encampment.

V. *Railroad rates.*—The combined associations of the railroads of the United States at a recent conference in Cincinnati agreed upon a uniform rate which should be granted to all patriotic conventions. This rate will be one fare to be paid on the original purchase of a ticket, the return passage to be furnished without further charge on the presentation of a certificate from the proper agent at the place of the meeting. The number of days during which this return certificate will be valid has not yet been announced.

Strenuous efforts upon the part of the representatives of the Grand Army to secure a yet lower rate were unavailing. There is some satisfaction, however, in the fact that the rate allowed will also be enjoyed by the members of all the allied societies as well as by the Grand Army.

VI. *Housing accommodations at Des Moines.*—All matters pertaining to hotels, boarding houses, and furnished rooms have been placed in charge of the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Des Moines, Mr. George E. Hamilton. No reservations can be obtained by writing to any hotel. All must be made through the office of Mr. Hamilton, to whom all requests should be made. Comrades would do well to write to Mr. Hamilton at an early date and state the accommodations they desire.

VII. *Appointments.*—To the executive committee of the council of administration in place of J. F. Roland, deceased, Hiram A. Chapin, of Lansing, Mich. As member of the council of administration from Ohio, in place of J. F. Roland, deceased, Marcellus O. Messer, of Warren, Ohio.

VIII. *Aids-de-camp.*—The comrades named below are hereby appointed aids-de-camp upon the staff of the commander in chief. He desires to convey to them his pleasure at their acceptance of the nomination to this honorable position. He looks to them to advance the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic in their several localities.

Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address.
ARKANSAS.			CALIFORNIA—con.		
Charles Ramsay.....	1	Little Rock.	John Favour.....	20	Healdsburg.
Mathias C. Stouteagle.	1	Do.	C. W. Quackenbush..	33	E. San Diego.
Charles H. Parrish....	104	Gentry.	Ludwig Siebe.....	50	Oakland.
Alvah L. Cooper.....	109	Mammoth Spring.	Francis Reaver.....	51	Traver.
Sheppard H. Blackmer.	137	Fayetteville.	James W. Aubery....	55	Los Angeles.
CALIFORNIA.			Betheul Pierson.....	57	San Bernandino.
Andrew J. Vining.....	2	San Francisco.	P. P. Chamberlain...	72	Redwood.
Levi B. Culver.....	7	San Jose.	George Ober.....	88	Berkeley.
Silas B. Hooper.....	32	Santa Cruz.	Jesse B. Bartley.....	111	Visalia.
Newton Conner.....	41	Calistoga.	Charles Leech.....	118	Riverside.
Wesley Thompson....	55	Huntington Park.	Harmon Cook.....	153	Sawtelle.
Joseph B. Tunzi.....	63	Petaluma.	Reuben Pixley.....	155	Lodi.
Richard R. Fouke....	69	Reno, Nev.	Thomas M. Barrett...	170	Glendale.
George K. Curtis.....	75	Red Bluff.	George W. Voorhees..	171	Veterans' Home.
Theodore A. Shafer...	82	Los Gatos.	Henry C. Horsman...	190	Dinuba.
Robert Lyon.....	93	Pasadena.	Robert M. Crough...	200	Los Angeles.
William Christie.....	125	Upper Lake.	Henry M. Mingey....	202	Do.
Arthur E. Vest.....	172	San Diego.	Henry A. Veatch.....	513	Gridley.
W. C. Miles.....	200	Inglewood.	Martin Polin.....	.....	San Luis Obispo.
Edwin H. Miller.....	203	Redondo Beach.	CONNECTICUT.		
William H. Wharff...	1	Berkeley.	John Service.....	1	Norwich.
George H. Meyers....	5	Carson City, Nev.	George Sanger.....	3	Bridgeport.
Clifford A. Fuller....	6	Los Angeles.	Frederick V. Strecter.	11	New Britain.
Lorenzo A. Talcott...	7	San Jose.	Morgan N. Atwater...	17	New Haven.
Samuel Brown.....	8	Oakland.	Ira R. Wildman.....	18	Danbury.
Francis W. Griesby...	17	Santa Ana.	Joseph J. Elzea.....	48	Rowayton.

Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address.
GEORGIA.			MASSACHUSETTS—con.		
James H. Rinard.....	4	Birmingham. Ala.	William H. Benjamin.	81	Watertown.
Augustus L. Braek....	14	Douglas.	Melzar C. Bailey.....	83	Hanover.
John W. Howder.....	14	Fitzgerald.	William L. Gage.....	87	Braintree.
IDAHO.			Theron M. Kelley....	94	Canton.
John W. Hardin.....	2	Lewiston.	Richmond L. Weston.	94	Do.
Peter Dick.....	4	Boise.	Theodore M. Kellogg.	94	Do.
Aaron A. Taylor.....	4	Do.	Cyrus H. Bates.....	98	Hingham.
John S. Thorn.....	4	Do.	George E. Curtis.....	113	Wollaston.
ILLINOIS.			John Davis Edgell....	116	Gardner.
John A. Martin.....	5	Berwyn.	Henry J. Bardwell....	113	Boston.
Edward Henry Lewis.	28	Chicago.	Ellery C. Crocker....	117	Medfield.
John Underfanger....	30	Springfield.	Henry S. Bunton....	121	Hyde Park.
Eli Robert Lewis.....	540	Chicago.	Robert L. Frampton.	121	Do.
INDIANA.			John H. Dusseault....	139	Somerville.
Valentine L. Marx....	37	Osceola.	Alfred G. Sanborn....	143	Brookline.
John P. Shelman.....	74	Remington.	Alonzo L. Tappan....	146	Haverhill.
William F. Hepley....	85	Bloomington.	Harvey A. Kellogg....	156	Everett.
Albert L. Akers.....	31	Delphi.	Henri Batchelder....	156	Do.
Henry Kramer.....	40	Fort Wayne.	George W. Corey.....	168	Southbridge.
Joseph McAdams.....	323	Evansville.	William Foreman....	169	Nerwood.
IOWA.			Moses Leonard Greene.	170	Mansfield.
John P. Axline.....	19	Fairfield.	Henry C. Blossom....	170	Do.
Henry W. Kellogg....	52	Menlo.	Albert J. Gilman....	185	Lowell.
William H. Easterly..	88	Clinton.	Fernando Miles.....	186	Arlington Heights
MARYLAND.			MICHIGAN.		
Wm. T. Gallion.....	1	Baltimore.	Charles A. Bartlett...	17	Detroit.
George A. Dean.....	2	Frederick.	John C. Dick.....	22	Buchanan.
Thomas Wetherstine.	3	Baltimore.	Frank McPhillips....	90	Saginaw.
D. R. Hager.....	4	Hagerstown.	Albert Dunham.....	48	Jackson.
John Turner.....	5	Cumberland.	Miles W. Bullock....	120	Howell.
Albert H. Reiter.....	6	Baltimore.	Jay F. Cotton.....	216	Mount Clemens.
Henry C. Sipple.....	28	Havre de Grace.	MISSOURI.		
William T. Kierle....	44	Baltimore.	T. H. Ijams.....	8	Kansas City.
William H. Moffatt...	46	Do.	Benjamin B. Bolt....	8	Do.
John Shaw.....	76	Lansdowne.	Orvis Parker Smith..	8	Do.
Michael Hoke.....	80	Emmitsburg.	Asa Parshall.....	120	Howell.
MASSACHUSETTS.			George Barnes.....	120	Do.
John H. Lawrence....	1	New Bedford.	NEBRASKA.		
Nahum F. Nickelson.	1	South Dartmouth.	John C. Troyer.....	11	Grand Island.
John W. Sawyer.....	5	Revere.	John O. Riley.....	13	Hastings.
Eugene M. Libbey....	5	Lynn.	Robert E. Cutler.....	32	York.
John J. Byrne.....	5	Do.	NEW HAMPSHIRE.		
Frederic E. Sprague..	5	Do.	Henry S. Paul.....	1	Portsmouth.
Genery T. Darling....	10	Worcester.	NEW YORK.		
George A. Blunt.....	10	Do.	Albert W. Underhill..	20	Poughkeepsie.
George A. Hosley....	11	Do.	Thomas E. Holt.....	21	Brooklyn.
Henry E. Wright.....	11	Somerville.	W. J. Courtney.....	148	Do.
Stanley B. Dearborn.	12	Wakefield.	Charles H. Paine....	327	Do.
George E. Dailey.....	14	Hopkinton.	Henry C. Freeman....	327	Do.
David King.....	15	Everett.	Charles F. Wright....	327	New Haven, Conn.
Henry M. Saunders...	19	Fitchburg.	George W. Brush....	327	Brooklyn.
J. Hiram S. Pearson..	23	Boston.	Henry S. Cozzens....	327	Do.
Luther W. Bixby....	26	Do.	C. T. Schondelmeier..	327	Do.
Joseph A. Moore.....	45	Gloucester.	Franklin P. Sellers...	327	Do.
Edward G. Frothing-	47	Haverhill.	Samuel H. Sheperd...	327	Do.
ham.			Andrew Jacobs.....	327	Do.
Hiram T. Baleh.....	49	Newburyport.	John Murphy.....	327	Do.
Samuel Brookings....	49	Do.	William W. Stoddard.	327	Do.
Chas. S. Houghton...	53	Leominster.	George Whitson.....	327	Do.
Charles Powers.....	53	Do.	Francis C. Affeld....	327	Do.
Otis S. Brown.....	56	Cambridge.	Robert G. Summers..	327	Richmond Hill,
Francis J. O'Reilly...	56	Do.			Long Island.
George Rouillard.....	56	Revere.	John D. Himrod.....	327	Brooklyn.
Rupert J. Chute.....	60	Boston.	Henry Murray Cal-	327	Do.
John Flood.....	62	Newton.	vert.		
Alphonso B. Pierce...	63	Natick.	Herbert C. Newell....	327	Glen Ridge, N. J.
John H. Harper.....	74	Rockland.	Charles S. Buell.....	327	Brooklyn.
Jason B. Hersey.....	74	Do.	Martin Demarest....	327	New York.
Joshua S. Gray.....	74	Do.	Alfred E. Ives.....	327	Brooklyn.
			Eli F. Macgowen....	327	Do.



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NEW YORK—contd.			PENNSYLVANIA—con.		
Joseph O'Carroll.....	327	Brooklyn.	William H. Walter...	21	Philadelphia.
Charles L. Clark.....	327	Do.	Henry Wireman.....	22	Danville.
Theodore S. Jenkins..	327	Do.	Louis B. Lomax.....	25	Marcus Hook.
Thomas A. Dowling..	327	Do.	J. B. Bricknell, M. D.	38	Pitcairn.
William H. Conley....	327	Do.	Job H. Conner.....	31	West Chester.
Michael Miller.....	327	Jamaica, Long Is-	John W. Kauffman..	44	Huntington.
		land.	Michael F. Norton...	45	Phoenixville.
Lemen K. Strouse....	327	Plainfield, N. J.	Alfred Stanger.....	55	Philadelphia.
James A. Eden.....	327	Brooklyn.	Edward Shalter	60	Monongahela.
Enos B. Vail.....	327	Do.	France.		
James W. Webb.....	327	Do.	Michael Post.....	62	Altoona.
Robert D. Dowling..	327	Do.	Junia W. Allen.....	67	Erie.
Harlan P. Christie....	327	Chattanooga, Tenn.	John H. Boyd.....	68	Towanda.
Isaiah H. Chatfield...	455	Rochester.	George G. Kayan....	77	Philadelphia.
Charles G. Hall.....	35	Brooklyn.	Thomas C. Whitson..	84	Lancaster.
Wallace Riley.....	76	Lockport.	Amos D. Hutchinson.	87	Allentown.
William H. Collyer...	286	Brooklyn.	James T. Caldwell...	88	Pittsburgh.
OHIO.			John B. Caldwell....	105	Butler.
Garrison Coale.....	29	Youngstown.	John T. Ensminger...	116	Harrisburg.
James H. Donaldson..	101	Anchorville.	H. H. Spayd.....	17	Minersville.
Salonar A. Williams..	219	Wellington.	John T. Stark.....	37	York.
Albert E. Otte.....	401	Cincinnati.	James K. Spangler...	59	McKeesport.
M. M. Southworth....	729	Alliance.	William H. Geary....	114	Philadelphia.
John Grimes.....	729	Do.	John W. Stauffer....	276	Jeannette.
OKLAHOMA.			Charles A. Waters....	336	Warren.
William Henry Horn-	3	Guthrie.	POTOMAC.		
aday.			Chas. D. A. Loeffled..	2	Washington, D. C.
Harrison A. Galloway	81	Stroud.	Abram Myers.....	3	Do.
OREGON.			Henry A. Zundt.....	6	Brooklyn, N. Y.
Willard N. Morse....	1	Portland.	Harry T. Dunbar....	8	Washington, D.C.
Charles S. Baker.....	12	Do.	Daniel M. Goodacre..	8	Do.
John A. Rumble.....	15	Joseph.	F. J. Young.....	8	Do.
Samuel Drew.....	22	Portland.	John P. Quander....	9	Do.
Joseph Parrazo.....	35	Tillamook.	SOUTH DAKOTA.		
John Walrod.....	38	Lents.	Cyrus W. Truax.....	4	Huron.
Hezekiah Winslow....	55	Sheridan.	Harvey Howard.....	21	Trent.
Charles A. Lamar.....	1	Portland.	Washington Eddy....	25	Woonsocket.
Orson A. Stearns....	23	Ashland.	Adna M. Woolsey....	42	Millbank.
John W. Campbell...	26	Portland.	P. N. Menor.....	51	Armour.
William D. G. Mercer.	.....	Eugene.	Edward L. Groves...	127	Hot Springs.
PENNSYLVANIA.			VIRGINIA.		
William S. Miller.....	11	Norristown.	Robert Roberts.....	63	Hampton.
Jacob Miller.....	12	Philadelphia.	WASHINGTON.		
Peter Brown.....	20	Hazleton.	John F. Murphy.....	.....	Yakima.
			Newton McKee.....	115	Sifton.

By command of—

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
Commander in Chief.WM. C. PECKHAM,  
Adjutant General.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 5, }  
Series 1921-22. }

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
BUILDING OF U. S. GRANT POST, No. 327,  
Brooklyn, N. Y., April 24, 1922.

#### I. MEMORIAL DAY.

The 30th day of May will again be observed by the Grand Army of the Republic as a sacred Memorial Day, commemorative of the services and sacrifices of their comrades who died that this Republic might live.

Originally set apart as the day upon which the survivors of the War for the Union should mark with flags and strew with flowers the graves of their comrades who had fallen by their side on the field of honor, while each succeeding year has diminished the number of those survivors yet living, it has added to the numbers of the defenders of the Union to whom this honor should be paid, until now of the two millions of brave men who returned to their homes from the scene of strife, a mere handful remain. To these who yet survive the duty and privilege of Memorial Day becomes the more sacred and imperative.

To assist in this service has come the welcome aid of our sons and daughters and many auxiliary organizations who ask the privilege of sharing in this honor. This assistance should be gladly accepted.

During these later years the honor of the Nation has called for the same last full measure of devotion from its sons in yet other wars, and a greater and broader significance has been given to this Memorial Day, until now the whole Nation observes it as sacred to the memory of all its sons who in any age or on any field have given their lives for their country.

To every patriotic son or daughter of America it should be the great holy day of the year. In no sense should it be made a day of festivity or an ordinary holiday. Let the request be made from clergymen that during the Sunday preceding the day itself a service be devoted in all churches to the memory of the deeds which this day commemorates. During Monday the 29th, let delegations from the posts in every locality visit the schools and take part in such patriotic services as may be carried on therein.

Let the sons of veterans and the soldiers of all wars be earnestly invited to participate in these exercises, to the end especially that when the veterans of the sixties are no longer here to do this work others may be ready to carry on the same patriotic service into the future.

It is expected that as a part of the services of Memorial Day should be read everywhere the General Order, No. 11, of Gen. John A. Logan, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic in 1868, then establishing the observance of this day, and also the address of President Lincoln delivered at Gettysburg November 19, 1863. It is recommended, further, that this year the letter of Gen. U. S. Grant, impressing the importance of this day upon his comrades, should also be read. The text of these is appended as a part of this General Order.

#### II. ORDER OF GEN. JOHN A. LOGAN.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 11. }

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868.

I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and those bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines



who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains and their deaths a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten as a people the cost of a free and undivided Republic.

If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remains to us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with the choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us a sacred charge upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the commander in chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By command of—

JOHN A. LOGAN,  
*Commander in Chief.*

N. P. CHIPMAN,  
*Adjutant General.*

### III. PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S ADDRESS AT GETTYSBURG.

"Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great Civil War, testing whether that Nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that Nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate, we can not consecrate, we can not hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us, that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion, that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain, that this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

### IV. DEDICATION OF THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

It is decided that this most beautiful work of the architect and sculptor shall be dedicated on Memorial Day, May 30 next, with appropriate ceremonies. The dedicatory ritual has been assigned to the commander in chief, and he will be assisted by other high officials of the Grand Army of the Republic. This is an occasion which will attract many to Washington.

## V. ASSIGNMENTS OF VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

The commander in chief has detailed Senior Vice Commander in Chief Robert W. McBride to represent him at the department encampments of Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois.

He has also detailed Junior Vice Commander in Chief Henry A. Johnson to attend the encampments of the Departments of Delaware, Maryland, and West Virginia.

## VI. IN MEMORIAM, WILLIAM A. KETCHAM.

Past Commanders in Chief Torrance and Van Sant and Senior Vice Commander in Chief McBride are detailed as a committee to prepare a memorial of Past Commander in Chief William A. Ketcham and to present it at the national encampment in Des Moines in September.

## VII. AIDS-DE-CAMP APPOINTED SINCE ORDER NO. 4.

The comrades named below are hereby appointed aids-de-camp upon the staff of the commander in chief. He desires to convey to them his pleasure at their acceptance of the nomination to this honorable position. He looks to them to advance the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic in their several localities.

Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address.
ARKANSAS.			IOWA—continued.		
G. W. Briner.....	9	Siloam Springs.	Albert Miller.....	26	Perry.
CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.			Josiah Petty.....	26	Do.
George W. Fieks.....	3	Sacramento.	Francis M. Cahail....	37	Panora.
Robert B. Jones.....	6	Los Angeles.	Watson C. Frego.....	50	Anita.
Frederick J. Cressey..	55	Sawtelle.	Abe Biggs.....	50	Do.
CONNECTICUT.			Hamilton Campbell..	50	Do.
Charles H. Beaton....	11	New Britain.	David Preston.....	55	Winterset.
LaFayette W. Starr..	47	Norwich.	John B. Anderson....	55	Do.
John L. Saxe.....	49	Waterbury.	Shelby S. Bertram....	56	Shenandoah.
Walter F. Hinckley..	49	Do.	William W. White- naek.	68	Waterloo.
Joseph J. Noxon.....	53	Middletown.	Byron Leighton.....	68	Do.
DELAWARE.			Isaac W. Meyers.....	81	Hampton.
Elizur A. Hodge.....	2	Bellevue.	John W. Winslow....	91	Le Mars.
William Kelley.....	2	West Philadelphia Pa.	Wilbert S. Freeman..	91	Do.
Nathaniel L. Hender- son.	23	Wilmington.	John J. Duncan.....	96	Mount Ayr.
William A. Middle- ton.	25	Do.	William C. Saunders..	153	Wapello.
ILLINOIS.			Daniel Hieky.....	221	Muscatine.
George J. Ehni.....	575	Milledgeville.	Justin E. Coe.....	231	Do.
INDIANA.			David M. King.....	235	Cedar Rapids.
Greenburg W. Hedges	148	Newcastle.	Samuel H. Mix.....	235	Do.
Arthur W. Coffin.....	148	Do.	William G. Power....	400	Mount Vernon.
William Frazier.....	148	Do.	John W. Eyestone....	400	Do.
Thaddeus Coffin.....	148	Do.	Asa B. Smith.....	400	Do.
IOWA.			KANSSA.		
William H. Wallace..	5	Burlington.	Edmund E. Chapinan	1	Topeka.
Nicholas R. Kenyon..	6	Atlantic	J. T. Taylor.....	6	Leavenworth.
C. H. Gross.....	7	Des Moines.	Reuben H. Clearwa- ters.	17	Hutchinson.
George Hunter.....	8	Iowa City.	James S. Forgey.....	18	Ottawa.
Samuel C. Jones.....	8	Do.	Robert A. Thompson.	18	Do.
Leonidas H. Branen..	24	Tama.	William Leonard.....	25	Wichita.
John Bard.....	24	Do.	Jacob Saylor.....	37	Burrton.
Reuben H. Ryan.....	24	Do.	Hiram Baughman....	37	Do.
			James H. Harvey.....	55	Emporia.
			George Plumb.....	55	Do.
			John H. Osborn.....	72	Humboldt.
			Kasper Roseberry....	81	Parsons.
			Elijah S. Kirkpatrick.	96	Wellsville.
			Rees H. Roseberry....	117	Paola.
			J. W. Daymude.....	185	Yates Center.
			Joseph W. Priddy....	250	Topeka.
			KENTUCKY.		
			James A. Fisher.....	2	Covington.
			William H. Foster....	3	Owensboro.



Name.	Post No.	Address	Name.	Post No.	Address.
KENTUCKY—contd.			VERMONT—continued.		
William H. Pfohl.....	6	Louisville.	Elihu Tuller.....	21	Tunbridge.
John S. Mavity.....	57	Vanceburg.	John A. Thwing.....	34	Bellows Falls.
LOUISIANA.			Edward E. Pierce.....	43	Springfield.
John A. Scheffel.....		New Orleans.	Charles H. Stone.....	53	Fair Haven.
MASSACHUSETTS.			Frank B. Root.....		Swanton.
Lueius E. Heath.....	22	Milford.	William J. Cumming..	73	Benson.
George M. Greene.....	22	Do.	Francis H. Ketchum..	86	Randolph.
MICHIGAN.			C. H. Cota.....		St. Albans.
Albert H. Boies.....		Hudson.	WEST VIRGINIA.		
George Barnes.....		Howell.	Michael H. Neville...	1	Martinsburg
Asa Parshall.....		Do.	John Beard.....	1	Do.
MINNESOTA.			Alfred G. Chapman...	4	Huntington.
William H. Harrison..	13	Duluth.	James L. Caldwell....	4	Do.
George W. Mead.....	19	Mankato.	Henry S. White.....	4	Matewan.
Jacob Klossner, jr....	48	New Ulm.	Francis L. Hersey....	4	Huntington.
Uriah P. Bump.....	66	Austin.	Hugh Martindale....	4	Do.
Charles M. B. Hatch..	73	Minneapolis.	John C. Lewellen....	7	Grafton.
Charles H. Bennett...	95	Pipe Stone.	Alex Gilchrist.....	9	Wellsburg.
Henry W. Garfield...	102	Wadena.	Samuel W. Atkinson..	9	Do.
George B. Wallace....	131	Dodge Center.	William W. Rogers...	12	Wheeling.
Jerry Patten.....	116	Morton.	Richard Robertson...	12	Do.
NEW HAMPSHIRE.			Lorenzo B. Moore....	14	Parkersburg.
David R. Roys.....	12	Claremont.	T. A. Black.....	14	Do.
Andrew Hanon.....	39	Berlin.	James T. Piggott.....	14	Do.
OHIO.			Perley Dunsmoor....	14	Do.
William M. Jackson..	29	Youngstown.	Isaac McC. Wallace...	16	Murraysville.
OKLAHOMA.			John M. Null.....	17	New Martinsville.
J. H. Norton.....		Oklahoma City.	L. L. Sykes.....	17	Do.
VERMONT.			Thomas S. Bonar....	21	Moundsville.
Homer A. Dudley....	5	South Londonderry.	James P. Stewart....	21	Do.
Henry J. Allen.....	8	Brattleboro.	William S. Clark....	36	Harrisville.
Robert P. Porter.....	8	Do.	Thos. G. Hammond..	21	Moundsville.
			Sylvester Jett.....	33	West Union.
			Silas Henderson.....	37	Smithfield.
			Joseph J. Morgan....	49	Buckhannon.
			Erastus C. Woodruff..	49	Do.
			John Wesley Simms..	50	Weston.
			John Dye.....	53	West Union.
			George W. White.....	62	Kingwood.
			William Keely.....	73	Charleston.
			S. N. Taylor.....	64	Terra Alto.
			Samuel R. Hanen....	77	Moundsville.
			George W. Miers.....	89	Keyser.
			James M. Cleavenger..	95	Spencer.
			James Talbert.....	100	Sherrard.
			John W. Turner.....	111	Kingwood.

By command of—

WM. C. PECKHAM,  
Adjutant General.

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
Commander in Chief.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 6, }  
SERIES 1921-22. }

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
BUILDING OF U. S. GRANT POST, No. 327.  
Brooklyn, N. Y., July 15, 1922.

I. *Fifty-sixth National Encampment.*—The Fifty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Des Moines, Iowa, during the week beginning September 24, 1922.

II. *Allotment of time.*—Sunday, September 24, patriotic teaching: Special services in the churches of Des Moines, with veterans of the Grand Army as speakers.

Monday, September 25, registration day—Exchange of greetings: 10 a. m., credentials committee opens its registry at national headquarters. Fort Des Moines Hotel; 7.45 p. m., semiofficial meeting for exchange of greetings.

Tuesday, September 26, reception day, reunion day: Regimental and brigade reunions. Miscellaneous reunions, as scheduled in final program. Receptions by auxiliary associations at governor's parlors, State House.

Wednesday, September 27: Parade in morning; school children's afternoon on the grounds of the capitol; great camp fire in evening at the Coliseum.

Thursday, September 28, business day: Sessions of the encampment, morning and afternoon.

Friday, September 29, installation day: Election and installation of officers; adjournment.

III. *The semiofficial meeting.*—At the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of 1920 the following resolution was adopted, viz: That at future meetings of the national encampment, in order that the business of the encampment shall not be interrupted during the sessions thereof, a semiofficial meeting shall be called by general order of the commander in chief, prior to the session of the national encampment, and presided over by the commander in chief, and at such meeting all addresses of welcome and the greetings of our affiliated patriotic organizations shall be presented, and that no visits from representatives of affiliated organizations be permitted at the regular sessions of the encampment.

In accordance with this resolution the semiofficial meeting of the fifty-sixth national encampment will be held on the evening of Monday, September 25, 1922, at 7.45 o'clock at the Coliseum.

At this meeting addresses of welcome will be made by the Governor of the State of Iowa, the mayor of the city of Des Moines, and the commander of the Department of Iowa, G. A. R. Response will be made by the commander in chief, G. A. R., who will then take the chair. Each of the patriotic organizations affiliated with the Grand Army of the Republic is requested to be represented at this meeting, either in the person of their chief officer or of an appointed delegate, to convey the greetings of that organization both to the Grand Army and to all the other affiliated bodies represented.

It is desired that this ceremony shall take the place of the multiple interchange of visits heretofore practiced, and that it will simplify and expedite the business of the several organizations.

The commander in chief now promulgates this order the more readily since he has been assured that its observance is heartily desired by all the various societies involved.

At this semiofficial meeting only one speaker from any organization will be recognized. A time limit as to length of addresses will be necessarily enforced. No volunteer additions to the program can be allowed.

IV. *Railroad rates.*—Supplementing the information as to railroad rates given in section 5, of General Order No. 4, of April 3, 1922, the commander in chief now adds that he again proceeded to Chicago on June 20, 1922, and, accompanied by Comrades John B. Inman, of the executive committee; Past Department Commander William P. Wright, of Illinois; and Assistant Adjutant General Henry C. Cooke, of Illinois, made a final appeal to Chairman Eben E. MacLeod, of the Western Passenger Association, that to the veterans of the Grand Army there should be granted a rate of 1 cent per mile for their trans-



portation to Des Moines in September to attend their national encampment. They were cordially received and patiently listened to, and politely dismissed with the assurance that in due time the decision of the association would be transmitted to them. That decision has now been received, dated June 29, 1922. It is as follows:

"DEAR SIR: Referring to conference which we had in our office on June 20, with reference to rates and arrangements for the encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in Des Moines, September 24-30.

"The subject has had very careful and thorough consideration on the part of the carriers in this territory, and on their behalf I am instructed to advise you that the following arrangements will be made and tendered to connecting lines in the territories of other associations:

"Rate of one fare for the round trip on the identification certificate plan for members of the Grand Army of the Republic, dependent members of their families, and for the conventions of the various auxiliary and allied organizations to be held at the same time and place.

"Dates of sale, and other conditions to be announced later.

"You will observe that the dates of sale and other details have not as yet been arranged, but this will be considered at the next meeting of our executive committee, to be held July 11.

"We also desire to point out the fact that in addition to the veterans and members of their families, the arrangement also covers your auxiliary associations.

"EBEN MACLEOD,

"Chairman, Western Passenger Association."

Further circular from Mr. MacLeod informs us as to dates of sale, limits, etc., in the territory of the Western Passenger Associations, as follows:

Dates of sale: September 21-26, inclusive, from Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, northern Michigan, North Dakota, and Wisconsin: also Julesburg, Colo., and South Dakota. September 20-25, inclusive, from Colorado (except Julesburg), Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming.

Final limit: October 31, 1922.

Stopovers: To be allowed at all points within final limit of tickets.

Diverse routes: No diverse routes to apply.

Validation: Nonvalidation form of ticket to be used.

Circular from the Transcontinental Passenger Association informs us that all tickets from the States of California, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington will be limited for return to reach original starting point not later than November 15, 1922. Those making the trip may obtain tickets reading in both directions via the same route, or if desired tickets may read in one direction via any direct route and in the opposite direction via any other direct route.

Stopovers are to be allowed at all points on the going and return trips within final limit of tickets. These stopovers can be obtained upon application to conductors.

V. *Reduced railroad rates not to apply to newly elected members of auxiliary associations.*—Attention of all commanders of posts and of officers of our affiliated organizations is called to the action taken at the Fifty-fourth National Encampment, 1920, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this encampment that in the future no reduction of rates shall be requested from the various railroad lines to our national encampment for members of the auxiliary or affiliated societies for any person or persons who have not been members of such organization in good standing for at least one year preceding the date of any national encampment."

All officials charged with the duty of granting the convention certificates issued by the railroads are charged to comply with this rule adopted by the national encampment.

VI. *Housing accommodations at Des Moines.*—All matters pertaining to hotels, boarding houses, and furnished rooms have been placed in charge of the secretary of the executive committee of the citizens of Des Moines, Mr. George E. Hamilton. No reservations can be obtained by writing to any hotel. All must be made through the office of Mr. Hamilton, to whom all requests should be made. Comrades would do well to write to Mr. Hamilton at an early date and state the accommodations they desire. Address: Chamber of Commerce, Des Moines, Iowa.

VII. *Regimental and other reunions.*—Organizations or groups of comrades desiring to arrange for reunions should communicate at once with the secretary



of the executive committee. Mr. George E. Hamilton, at the chamber of commerce, so that suitable provision for time and place of meeting may be made.

VIII. *Committees of the citizens of Des Moines in charge of encampment preparations.*—Executive committee: Charles A. Watrous, chairman, 2928 Ingersoll Avenue; H. H. Polk, vice chairman; George E. Hamilton, secretary, chamber of commerce; Edward O'Dea, treasurer; Rufus L. Chase, past commander, Department of Iowa, G. A. R.; W. C. Ramsey, treasurer of the State of Iowa; G. C. Haynes, auditor of the State of Iowa.

Chairmen of local organizations: G. A. R., John W. Cox; W. R. C., Mrs. Marie Basham; Ladies of G. A. R., Lilian C. Cary; S. of V., J. B. Reeve; D. of V., Belle Smith; S. of V. Auxiliary, Grace Stuart.

Badge committee: R. E. Sawyer, chairman.

IX. *Appointments.*—As assistant adjutant general, Thomas A. McConekey, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

As assistant quartermaster general and custodian of records, Samuel P. Town, of Philadelphia, Pa., in place of J. Henry Holcomb, deceased.

X. *Changes in the roll.*—Since the reports from the departments received from the adjutants general form the basis of the final roll of membership to be placed in the hands of the credentials committee, it is important that notice be sent at once to the adjutant general of any changes in the roll of members occurring in any department, by death or otherwise, previous to the assembly of the encampment.

XI. *Aids-de-camp.*—In addition to the appointments as aids-de-camp upon the staff of the commander in chief, published in former general orders, the comrades named below are also appointed as aids-de-camp.

The whole corps of aids-de-camp form a specially selected body, representative of the Grand Army of the Republic, to which the commander in chief appeals for constant vigilance and zeal in maintaining the principles of the order and in advancing its interests. He hopes to welcome the great majority of them at the coming national encampment.

Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address.
CALIFORNIA.			IOWA—continued.		
John C. Ray.....		Alhambra.	David D. Pettit.....	39	Greenfield.
Thomas C. Hull.....	55	Glendale.	William R. Cowan....	40	Oskaloosa.
C. Henry Clark.....	170	Eagle Rock.	Frank S. Stone.....	40	Do.
INDIANA.			Edward Vial.....	45	Adel.
James P. Ross.....	6	Wabash.	Darius O. Smith.....	48	West Union.
Frederick H. Hartel..	14	Logansport.	D. N. Hall.....	48	Do.
Lemuel E. Brown....	14	Do.	Zachariah West.....	59	Missouri Valley.
Horatio N. Ogden....	17	Indianapolis.	John D. Brown.....	59	Do.
George Pfalzgraf.....	17	Do.	Frank E. Landers....	66	Webster City.
Abram J. Brake.....	17	Do.	Wesley Martin.....	66	Do.
Pulaski Maxwell.....	17	Do.	Parker M. Banks.....	66	Do.
Henry C. Barnes.....	17	Do.	John Heffelfinger....	71	Grundy Center.
George P. Cost.....	17	Do.	George E. Wass.....	71	Do.
Silas P. Engle.....	17	Do.	Jacob R. Martz.....	71	Do.
C. R. Uthank.....	55	South Dakota.	William Blades.....	78	Dubuque.
IOWA.			William Wolf.....	81	Hampton.
Samuel C. Hahn.....		Chariton.	John M. Wheeler....	88	Clinton.
James L. Farrington..		Iowa Falls.	Thomas C. Beemer...	88	Do.
Orlando S. Hartman..		Marshalltown.	Joseph M. Fisher....	98	Vinton.
Andrew M. Vance....	7	Des Moines.	Oliver C. Kinley....	106	Marshalltown.
Atkinson S. Johnson..	7	Do.	D. W. Kennedy.....	122	Centerville.
Erasmus P. Bryant...	12	Sheboygan Falls.	Mahlon Done.....	122	Do.
Frank Dagle.....	12	Des Moines.	Simeon S. Hareu....	130	Mount Vernon.
John F. Stewart.....	12	Do.	D. E. King.....		Adel.
Asa Callahan.....	18	Chariton.	Ansel J. Bowman....	141	Iowa Falls.
George W. Laird.....	20	Mount Pleasant.	Herman Gast.....	153	Grand View.
Hiram T. Bird.....	20	Do.	Luther A. Devendorf.	154	Eldora.
Edward N. Kitchen..	20	Do.	John S. Kersey.....	154	Do.
H. H. Rice.....	22	Sioux City.	Thomas M. Thompson	167	Sigourney.
James Leitch.....	22	Do.	Alexander J. Collinge.	190	Manchester.
C. W. Kent.....	22	Do.	John W. Ewing.....	271	Shannon City.
Thomas Everett.....	24	Tama.	Isaac M. Wickersham.	271	Villisca.
Henry Perrine.....	29	Council Bluffs.	Jonathan H. Eldridge.	324	Corning.
John Bonnell.....	34	Ross.	KANSAS.		
Abner H. Edwards...	34	Audubon.	Albert Harvey.....	142	Cherryvale.
John J. Meyers.....	39	Greenfield.	KENTUCKY.		
			Albert Scott.....	75	Louisville.



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MASSACHUSETTS.			OHIO—continued.		
Amos C. Bradford....	146	Haverhill.	John R. Hoffmire.....	35	Archbold.
George W. Moore.....	191	Brookline.	George H. Morey.....	36	Warren.
MICHIGAN.			Luther D. Williams..	38	Nelsonville.
Marion D. Richardson	444	Lansing.	Henry Swartz.....	41	St. Johns.
MINNESOTA.			Elijah C. Rockhold...	42	Bainbridge.
William S. Whitman..	21	St. Paul.	Jason Neville.....	44	East Liverpool.
John T. Crippen.....	82	Ortonville.	Junius F. Whiting....	45	Springfield.
MISSOURI.			John H. Brandon.....	53	Prairie Depot.
D. O. Clements.....	1	St. Louis.	Nathan B. Mason.....	55	Clyde.
Alfred Zartman.....	4	Kansas City.	J. S. Kimbrough.....	58	Wilmington.
S. W. Serl.....	4	Do.	Adrian C. Stone.....	58	Do.
C. R. Kurtz.....	8	Do.	Clinton C. Nichols...	58	Do.
MONTANA.			Robert H. Kellogg....	60	Delaware.
H. H. Makinson.....	2	Butte.	Rollin K. Willis.....	60	Do.
Perry H. Park.....	3	Helena.	J. A. Throckmorton..	62	Sidney.
W. M. Reed.....	8	Dillon.	John S. Rocker.....	62	Do.
David J. Brennan....	10	Anaconda.	Samuel H. Keirns....	64	Columbus Grove.
John S. Sparling.....	11	Missoula.	Charles E. Reynolds..	66	Napoleon.
William Coleman.....	16	Deer Lodge.	John C. Milligan.....	69	Coshocton.
John C. Ferris.....	18	Collins.	W. J. Hughes.....	77	Lancaster.
Jacob S. Ohl.....	21	Sula.	John Benadum.....	77	Do.
James R. Goss.....	28	Billings.	Josiah B. Allen.....	89	Athens.
John W. Johnson.....	30	Columbia Falls.	George Conner.....	.....	Wapakoneta.
NEBRASKA.			William E. Webber..	91	Upper Sandusky.
Sheldon Peck.....	52	Blair.	William H. Hall.....	91	Do.
NEW JERSEY.			Rufus H. Harrop.....	92	Washington Court House.
M. V. Kennelly.....	.....	Roselle.	Hampton H. Long...	96	Hamilton.
NEW MEXICO.			J. W. Myers.....	96	Do.
John C. Hull.....	.....	Santa Fe.	Thomas Haggard....	97	Kenton.
John Y. Hewitt.....	.....	White Oaks.	John W. B. Pennell..	100	Van Wert.
Michael C. Picken....	10	Farmington.	Henry G. Lehman....	100	Do.
D. M. Sutherland.....	18	Alamogordo.	G. T. Harding.....	111	Marion.
NEW YORK.			S. Wilson Weakley...	115	Yellow Springs.
Henry F. Bloomfield..	11	Brooklyn.	George B. Christian..	117	Marion.
E. A. Wilcox.....	327	Do.	W. B. Denman.....	117	Do.
Joseph W. Southerton	327	Do.	F. M. Swingly.....	128	Bucyrus.
Frederick R. Meres...	559	Mount Kisco.	Joseph D. Gray.....	131	Mansfield.
OHIO.			James H. Herring....	131	Do.
John H. Donaldson...	.....	Cincinnati.	Peter M. Redding....	132	Ashland.
William H. Ortt.....	.....	Eaton.	William S. Alexander.	132	Do.
Tobias R. Woodborne.	6	New Philadelphia.	Fred Clodfelter.....	133	Wooster.
James A. Cornell.....	7	Jefferson Village.	Andrew Dillon.....	141	Cleveland.
Lynds A. Tinker.....	7	Jefferson.	O. P. McIlrath.....	141	Do.
Leslie C. Benson.....	9	Conneaut.	Henry Bayes.....	149	Bryan.
Jerome A. Baker.....	9	Do.	James R. Oldfield...	155	Do.
Charles F. Colver.....	9	Do.	William S. Boone.....	155	Montpelier.
Charles Bonsall.....	10	Salem.	Arch Pressler.....	155	Do.
Eli Smith.....	12	Akron.	John E. Anderson....	158	Piqua.
W. D. Van Wormer..	15	Toledo.	George Perkins.....	162	Chillicothe.
John P. Holland.....	15	Do.	Samuel McElhaney...	164	Portsmouth.
Leon L. Holloway....	16	Niles.	William J. McCann...	166	New Alexandria.
Charles R. Holeton...	16	Do.	Simeon S. Oatman...	169	Medina.
Sanford D. Barber....	17	Painesville.	A. G. O'Brieness.....	178	Marietta.
William P. Thompson	19	Sandusky.	Charles H. Mead.....	185	Kent.
Samuel H. Scott.....	21	Mount Vernon.	William D. Heffner...	202	Lima.
S. P. Sebring.....	23	Dayton.	OKLAHOMA.		
William A. Marietta..	23	Do.	J. Q. Adamson.....	10	Edmond City.
William F. Brandt...	23	Do.	TENNESSEE.		
Calvin H. Frase.....	27	Fostoria.	R. W. Brock.....	2	Chattanooga.
John Thompson.....	30	Cincinnati.	Samuel M. Warren....	.....	Pinney Flats.
Abraham O. Openheimer.	32	Fremont.	McChesney Wagner...	8	Limestone.
			John Adams.....	22	Chattanooga.
			J. G. Hoback.....	25	Athens.
			A. M. Hacker.....	25	Do.
			James Turner.....	53	Highland Park.
			B. J. Williams.....	86	Memphis.
			Albert B. Henderson.	86	Do.
			W. H. Tulloch.....	91	Maryville.
			Andrew D. Clark.....	100	Los Angeles, Calif.
			TEXAS.		
			Moses H. Redwood...	3	San Antonio.
			John R. Gold.....	4	Fort Worth.
			J. H. Dunn.....	5	Denison.

Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address
WISCONSIN.			WISCONSIN—con.		
Francis A. Walsh.....	1	Milwaukee.	William H. Blyton...	30	Sparta.
George W. Morton....	4	Berlin.	Robert H. DeLap....	33	Richland Center.
William A. Cochrane..	6	Delavan.	Melvin W. Parker....	34	Whitewater.
Albert G. Dinsmore..	10	Oshkosh.	Edward Cronon.....	38	LaCrosse.
Hosca W. Rood.....	11	Madison.	George F. Hallas.....	52	Eau Claire.
Erasmus P. Bryant..	12	Cheyboygan Falls.	James H. Waggoner..	52	Do.
Edmund Wilkins.....	19	Waukesha.	Franklin Wilcox.....	59	Manston.
Loring B. Winslow...	20	Janesville.	Simon C. F. Cobban..	68	Chippewa Falls.
Daniel S. Cummings.	20	Do.	Thomas Kinsman....	66	Platteville.
Ernest A. Klingenberg.....	21	Waupaca.	Elihu Gray.....	76	Elkhorn.
Nathan B. Hood.....	24	Spring Green.	George D. Breed.....	205	Chilton.

By command of—

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
*Commander in Chief.*

WM. C. PECKHAM,  
*Adjutant General.*



GENERAL ORDERS. }  
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HEADQUARTERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,  
BUILDING OF U. S. GRANT POST, No. 327,  
*Brooklyn, N. Y., September 1, 1922.*

#### I. VALEDICTORY.

The present order closes the series issued from headquarters during the fifty-sixth year of the existence of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The commander in chief seizes this time to express his appreciation of the great honor and opportunity which he has enjoyed this year as the head of such an august, revered, and devoted body of patriots as compose the Grand Army of the Republic. This honor has intensified his desire to be of service to his fellows and to his country. He has especially enjoyed the privilege of looking in the face and taking by the hand so many thousands of his comrades. Most of these he will never see again. The salutation of the moment has been, Hail and farewell. Many of them, however, he hopes to greet many times yet in the years of rest and of leisure, which he trusts the future has in store for them. Years which will be happy in the memories of services, privileges, and honors of the past; veterans serene and grateful in the reverence which they still enjoy in the present. The veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic who are still active and alert to the duties and enjoyments of life—and there are many thousands of them—may now feel that the great object of their solicitude during a long life, as well as their sacrifices in their youthful days, has been gained.

Securely established among the nations of the world is the country for whose perpetuity they fought; with new and more radiant glory the flag of their youthful devotion is crowned as it now commands the respect of the world and the homage of its own sons. The veteran reaps in the regard of his grateful countrymen, a harvest of deep satisfaction. In his advanced years he is enjoying the brief pleasures of an Indian summer. He has reason to be more than content.

#### II. FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The Fifty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Des Moines, Iowa, during the week beginning September 24, 1922.

Headquarters will be established at the Fort Des Moines Hotel, Monday, September 25, 1922. The national headquarters, at 489 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., will be closed September 20, 1922.

The committee on credentials will open its registry at national headquarters at 10 a. m., Monday, September 25. William C. Peckham, adjutant general, chairman; Albert J. Ball, Indiana; Henry Spaulding, Michigan; Samuel P. Town, Pennsylvania; John W. Bowman, Utah; and George F. Jackson, Alabama, members.

The executive committee of the national council of administration will meet at headquarters at 2 p. m. Monday, September 25.

The national council of administration will meet at headquarters at 3 p. m. Monday, September 25.

Comrades George A. Price, James W. Willett, and John B. Inman are hereby appointed a committee to audit the books of the quartermaster general. They will report to the council of administration at its meeting, Monday, September 25.

Department representatives on the committee on resolutions and for the national council of administration. Department commanders will report to the adjutant general not later than 3 p. m. Tuesday, September 26, the names of the comrades selected for these positions by the several departments. The first business session of the encampment will convene in the Coliseum, First and Locust Streets, on Thursday morning, September 28, at 9.30 o'clock.

The annual parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will occupy the morning of Wednesday, September 27. The details of the arrangements for this event will be given in a special order to be issued at Des Moines. Department

commanders and all national aids-de-camp will report to the chief of staff at national headquarters Tuesday, September 26, at 5 p. m., for instructions concerning the parade.

### III. NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS AND MEETING PLACES.

- Grand Army of the Republic—Lewis S. Pilcher, commander in chief.  
 Headquarters: Fort Des Moines Hotel, Tenth and Walnut Streets.  
 Meetings: The Coliseum, First and Locust Streets.
- Woman's Relief Corps.—Agnes H. Parker, president.  
 Headquarters: Fort Des Moines Hotel, Tenth and Walnut Streets.  
 Meetings: First M. E. Church, Tenth and Pleasant Streets.
- Ladies of G. A. R.—Anna M. Michener, president.  
 Headquarters: Hotel Savery III, Fourth and Locust Streets.  
 Meetings: First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and High Streets.
- Sons of Veterans.—Clifford Ireland, commander in chief.  
 Headquarters: Hotel Savery III, Fourth and Locust Streets.  
 Meetings: Shrine Temple, Ninth and Locust Streets.
- Sons of Veterans Auxiliary.—Margaret Patterson Stevens, President.  
 Headquarters: Hotel Savery III, Fourth and Locust Streets.  
 Meetings: Elks Club, Fifth and Grand Avenue.
- Daughters of Veterans.—Louise M. Benson, president.  
 Headquarters: Chamberlain Hotel, Seventh and Locust Streets.  
 Meetings: Chamberlain Hotel.

### IV. GRAND ARMY DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.

- Alabama, Lloyd Hotel, Sixth and High Streets.  
 Arkansas, Wellington Hotel, Fifth and Grand Avenue.  
 California and Nevada, Chamberlain Hotel, Seventh and Locust Streets.  
 Colorado and Wyoming, Chamberlain Hotel, Seventh and Locust Streets.  
 Connecticut, Irwin Hotel, Sixth and Cherry Streets.  
 Delaware, Martin Hotel, Third and Locust Streets.  
 Florida, Kirkwood Hotel, Fourth and Walnut Streets.  
 Georgia and South Carolina, Rogers Hotel, Sixth and Mulberry Streets.  
 Idaho, Irwin Hotel, Sixth and Cherry Streets.  
 Illinois, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Tenth and Walnut Streets.  
 Indiana, Randolph Hotel, Fourth and Court Avenue.  
 Iowa, Chamberlain Hotel, Seventh and Locust Streets.  
 Kansas, Savery Hotel, Fourth and Locust Streets.  
 Kentucky, Kirkwood Hotel, Fourth and Walnut Streets.  
 Louisiana, ———.  
 Maine, Chamberlain Hotel, Seventh and Locust Streets.  
 Maryland, Rogers Hotel, Sixth and Mulberry Streets.  
 Massachusetts, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Tenth and Walnut Streets.  
 Michigan, Franklin Hotel, Fifth and Locust Streets.  
 Missouri, Savery Hotel, Fourth and Locust Streets.  
 Montana, Kirkwood Hotel, Fourth and Walnut Streets.  
 Nebraska, Elliott Hotel, 219 Fourth Street.  
 New Hampshire, Foster Hotel, Eighth and Walnut Streets.  
 New Jersey, Martin Hotel, Third and Locust Streets.  
 New Mexico, Lloyd Hotel, Sixth and High Streets.  
 New York, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Tenth and Walnut Streets.  
 North Dakota, Rogers Hotel, Sixth and Mulberry Streets.  
 Ohio, Randolph Hotel, Fourth and Court Avenue.  
 Oregon, Brown Hotel, Fourth and Chestnut Streets.  
 Oklahoma, Irwin Hotel, Sixth and Cherry Streets.  
 Pennsylvania, Fort Des Moines Hotel, Tenth and Walnut Streets.  
 Potomac, Chamberlain Hotel, Seventh and Locust Streets.  
 Rhode Island, Martin Hotel, Third and Locust Streets.  
 South Dakota, Elliott Hotel, 219 Fourth Street.  
 Tennessee, Kirkwood Hotel, Fourth and Walnut Streets.  
 Texas, ———.  
 Utah, Rogers Hotel, Sixth and Mulberry Streets.  
 Vermont, Rogers Hotel, Sixth and Mulberry Streets.  
 Virginia, Washington, and Alaska, Brown Hotel, Fourth and Chestnut Streets.  
 West Virginia, Lloyd Hotel, Sixth and High Streets.  
 Wisconsin, Wellington Hotel, Fifth and Grand Avenue.



## V. LOCAL NOTES.

**Drum corps:** The executive committee have designated the Manhattan Hotel, 313 Fifth Street, as drum corps headquarters. All Grand Army drum corps organizations attending the encampment will be furnished lodging at this hotel.

All drum corps expecting to attend the encampment will please communicate with G. E. Hamilton, chairman of hotels and housing committee, chamber of commerce, as soon as possible, giving the names and number of members of their organization, in order that they may be properly assigned to quarters in advance of arrival.

**Colored veterans:** Mr. E. R. Hall, address care State House, is chairman on committee on housing for colored veterans and families.

**Regimental reunions:** Ample meeting places will be provided for all reunions within easy reach of the downtown district. Comrade Frank Dagle, 601 Flynn Building, Des Moines, Iowa, is chairman of the committee on reunions. All organizations desiring to arrange for reunion meeting places will please communicate with Comrade Dagle direct.

**Hotels and housing:** Headquarters of hotels and housing bureau during encampment will be on main floor, courthouse corridor. All visitors who have not made advance reservations can be assigned promptly at this bureau.

**Hospitality:** Des Moines is making extensive preparations for the comfort and convenience of its guests during the encampment.

Comfort stations and rest rooms will be established throughout the city.

Information bureaus will be located at all hotels and meeting places.

## VI. RAILROAD RATES TO DES MOINES.

No change in the railroad fares to Des Moines has occurred. In the strongest language he could command the commander in chief again in July appealed to the railroad authorities that they should grant to the veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic a rate as low as that which had been made for the Confederates for the recent convention in Richmond. This final appeal was also unsuccessful.

He also sent a communication and an embassy to the Pullman Co. asking that a reduction should be made in their rates. The reply to this was "that they could not see their way clear to give favorable consideration to this request, with which they were in sympathy."

## VII. IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATES.

The identification certificates required by the railway associations to be exchanged at the ticket purchasing point for the reduced rate round trip railway tickets were all forwarded to the assistant adjutant general of the several departments for distribution to posts and auxiliaries before August 15.

Entitled to use these certificates are: (a) Member of the G. A. R.; (b) wife or a dependent member of the family of a member of the G. A. R.; (c) widow of a deceased member of the G. A. R.; (d) Army nurse of the Civil War; (e) member of the Woman's Relief Corps. And the following allied organizations: Ladies of the G. A. R.; Daughters of Veterans; Sons of Veterans; Sons of Veterans' Auxiliary; and (f) a dependent member of the family of a member of the auxiliary or one of the allied organizations named above.

**Instructions as to use:** These certificates are not valid unless presented on an authorized selling date. They are not valid unless signed in ink in the presence of the ticket agent by the purchaser whose name appears on the certificate.

**Selling dates:** Vary slightly in different sections of the country.

**Central passenger association:** September 19-26, except Illinois, which is September 21-27.

**Trunk Line Association (middle east):** September 19-26.

**Western association, east of Colorado:** September 21-26, west of Colorado, September 20-25.

**Southwestern association, Louisiana and Texas:** September 20-25; Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, and Kansas, September 21-26.

**Transcontinental association:** September 14-22.

The final return limit is midnight of October 31, 1922, except in the case of passengers from the transcontinental association territory (California, Nevada,

Oregon, and Washington) for whom the return limit is extended to November 15.

Passengers must go and return by the same route, except passengers from the transcontinental territory, who are privileged to return by a route other than the one by which they came.

Stop-overs at all points are allowed and may be obtained on application to the conductor.

Only one identification certificate for one or more members of a family is required.

## VIII. AIDS-DE-CAMP.

In addition to the appointments as aids-de-camp upon the staff of the commander in chief, published in former general orders, the comrades named below are also appointed as aids-de-camp.

The whole corps of aids-de-camp form a specially selected body, representative of the Grand Army of the Republic, to which the commander in chief appeals for constant vigilance and zeal in maintaining the principles of the order and in advancing its interests. He hopes to welcome the great majority of them at the coming national encampment.

Name.	Post No.	Address.	Name.	Post No.	Address.
ILLINOIS.			MISSOURI.		
L. S. Lambert.....	45	Galesburg.	Frederick Wentz.....	7	St. Joseph.
William P. Wright...	91	Chicago.	NEW JERSEY.		
George Howison.....	91	Do.	George W. Munson.....		Newark.
INDIANA.			NEW YORK.		
William J. MaKahin .	37	Elkhart.	James M. Palmer.....	327	Fruitland Park, Fla.
Edward P. Stanfield .	579	South Bend.	Andrew MacLeod.....	327	Brooklyn.
IOWA.			Eugene F. O'Connor.	327	Do.
Aretus F. Loomis.....		Anamosa.	Benjamin L. Liesegang	327	Richmond Hill.
Jed Brockway.....	23	Jefferson.	George E. Dayton.....	327	Bath.
W. B. Smith.....	69	Ottumwa.	George H. Terry.....	327	Basking Ridge, N. J.
James King.....	69	Do.	Philip S. Clark.....	327	Brooklyn.
T. R. Bickley.....	69	Do.	William H. Barker...	327	Do.
Henry Mudge.....	69	Do.	James F. Morgan.....	327	Do.
A. H. Wheat.....	69	Waterloo.	Allen W. Avery.....	327	Do.
Fred Gurius.....	74	Maquoketa.	George R. Dunkley...	327	Do.
G. L. Nye.....	107	Agency.	George D. Van Hoesen	327	Do.
J. B. Carman.....	107	Do.	Milton Nobles.....	327	Do.
J. C. F. Mead.....	108	Washington.	George H. Rice.....	327	Do.
D. A. Byer.....	108	Do.	William T. Gardner..	327	Freeport, Long Is-
W. P. Moothart.....	108	Do.			land.
H. A. Klop.....	125	Traer.	August F. Clausen.....		City Island, New
Simeon S. Haren.....	130	Wyoming.			York City.
Thomas A. Trent.....	173	Osceola.	OHIO.		
A. J. West.....	173	Do.	N. B. Mason.....		Clyde.
I. N. McBride.....	173	Do.	Charles M. Chapman .	19	Erie County.
Samuel O. Carlton....	173	Do.	WEST VIRGINIA.		
Jacob Watland.....	199	New Sharon.	William S. Grafton...	12	Wheeling.
Charles B. Weston....	200	Greene.	Isaac M. Adams.....	16	Ravenswood.
A. T. Dunlap.....	270	Springfield.			
Elias W. Shearer.....	305	Maxwell.			
Belo A. Norton.....	305	Do.			

By command of—

LEWIS S. PILCHER,  
Commander in Chief.

WM. C. PECKHAM,  
Adjutant General.





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WILLIAM A. KETCHAM







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## COMRADE WILLIAM A. KETCHAM

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, 1921; COMMANDER DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA, 1907. MUSTERED OUT AT INDIANAPOLIS, IND., DECEMBER 27, 1921.

William Alexander Ketcham was born and lived and died in the city of Indianapolis, Ind. The house in which he was born, January 2, 1846, was within calling distance of the house in which he died, December 27, 1921.

He was a home-loving man and throughout his long and useful life exemplified the virtues of the fireside. He came of good stock and was jealous that the family name should not suffer by any act of his.

His primary education was in the public schools of Indianapolis, followed by two years' preparatory course in Halle and Stuttgart, Germany.

At the outbreak of the War of the Rebellion he returned home and continued his studies at Wabash College, Ind., until he reached the age of 18 years, when, and on the 24th of February, 1864, he enlisted as a private soldier in Company A, Thirteenth Indiana Volunteer Infantry, and was honorably discharged September 5, 1865, with the rank of captain.

While the period of his military service, by reason of his youth, was comparatively brief, it was exceptionally brilliant. His regiment, which had then seen much hard service, was attached to the Tenth Corps, Army of the James, and he participated with it in the engagements south of the James River, notably Chester Station, May 10, 1864—the actions in the rear of Fort Darling, May 14–16, and Foster's farm, May 20. In the latter part of May his division, under Gen. Charles Devens, was attached to the Eighteenth Corps, under Gen. William F. Smith, and participated in the actions at Cold Harbor on the 1st and 3d of June, 1864. Returning to the south side of the James, he participated, on June 15, 1864, in the attack on Petersburg and took part in the siege of Petersburg until August, 1864, when his regiment was transferred to the north bank of the James and there remained until December, 1864, taking part in the engagements of Fair Oaks and Darbytown Road near Richmond.

From November 4 to 17 he was acting sergeant major with his regiment at New York Harbor, during the election troubles of 1864. From December 7 to 27, 1864, he was with the expedition to Fort Fisher, N. C., and also with the second expedition, which





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resulted in the capture of that stronghold January 15, 1865. Then followed the campaign of the Carolinas, March 1 to April 26, including the advance on Goldsboro and its occupation March 21; the advance on Raleigh and its occupation, April 14, followed by the surrender of Johnson and his army at Bennett's house, Durham Station, N. C., April 26, 1865.

As a soldier and as an officer he was conspicuous for his courage, his intelligence, his fighting qualities, and general good behavior in the face of the enemy.

In the fall of 1865 he entered Dartmouth College and graduated therefrom in the summer of 1867, and was honored with the degree of doctor of laws by Wabash College in 1894 and by Dartmouth College in 1917.

After graduation he studied law with his father, Hon. John L. Ketcham, and Judge McDonald, and was, in December, 1868, admitted to the Indianapolis bar, from which time to the day of his death he engaged in the practice of the law. During this period of 54 years he gained marked distinction as a lawyer of unquestioned moral integrity, learning, and ability. He held the office of county attorney of Marion County, Ind., from 1884 to 1886 and that of attorney general of the State of Indiana from 1894 to 1898. He neither held nor was he ever a candidate for any other public office.

But it was as a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic that we knew him best and esteemed him most. He was a staunch member of our order and a stalwart defender of the principles upon which it rests. Fraternity, charity, and loyalty, these three, but the greatest of these is loyalty—so believed William A. Ketcham. He regarded the doctrine of secession as a political heresy, antagonistic to and utterly incompatible with any sane construction of the Constitution of the United States. To him secession was merely a polite term for revolution and the destruction of the National Government. He condemned as false the assumption that the war was one between the States. No State had the right to declare war, nor did any State at any time declare or wage war against any sister State or against the United States. At best, it was a confederated rebellion of certain communities who, repudiating all allegiance to the national authority, attempted to substitute a government whose chief corner stone was human slavery. Such a course, he asserted, was suicidal and must inevitably end in disaster to those who pursued it.

Comrade Ketcham never changed his views or modified his attitude toward these questions and never failed to detect and to ex-



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pose the dangers and perils that lay in the path of the Nation's progress and safety.

The honors conferred upon him as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic were numerous. In 1907 he was chosen commander of the Department of Indiana, and in 1920 was elected commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic.

He served as judge advocate general under Commanders in Chief Trimble, Monfort, and Hall, and also on many important committees of the national organization. He was forceful and eloquent, and his valuable counsel and services were always at the command of his comrades.

Comrade Ketcham was married June 25, 1873, to Flora McDonald, daughter of Hon. David McDonald, judge of the United States District Court for the District of Indiana. Of this marriage seven children were born; all of them, with their mother, are still living.

In this memorial it is worthy of mention that the mother of Comrade Ketcham served as an Army nurse during the Civil War. She was then in her young womanhood, the mother of four children, the eldest under 14 years of age. Her patriotism was so pure a flame and her devotion to the cause of the Union so strong that in 1862 and 1863 she arranged to leave her home and children to minister to the sick and wounded soldiers at Gallatin, Tenn. She lived until 92 years of age, and throughout her life it was a matter of pride and pleasure to her to look back upon her Army experience.

Comrade Ketcham's death was unexpected. The echo of the Christmas chimes had scarcely died away when God's finger touched him and he slept. When the summons came it found him alone, but ready, and like many of his comrades who fell on the battle field he passed from mortal sight without a word of farewell.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Edward Haines Kistler, pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis, of which Comrade Ketcham had been a member since 1869. Commander in Chief Lewis S. Pilcher made an address, and the ritual of the Grand Army was exemplified by George H. Thomas Post No. 12, Department of Indiana, of which post Comrade Ketcham was a member.

“Only the actions of the just  
Smell sweet and blossom in the dust.”

ELI TORRANCE,  
SAMUEL R. VAN SANT,  
ROBERT W. MCBRIDE.

*Committee.*





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## COMRADE SAMUEL FALLOWS

CHAPLAIN IN CHIEF, 1907; COMMANDER DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA, 1914. MUSTERED OUT AT CHICAGO, ILL., SEPTEMBER 5, 1922.

“Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel.”

Comrade Samuel Fallows, the renowned ecclesiastic; the orator of national fame. A man whose life was devoted to the uplifting of downtrodden humanity and for the redemption of sin-sick souls from the darkness of unbelief into the life and liberty of the sons of God.

For the greater part of a half century this man of God wore with credit the mantle of a bishop of the Reformed Episcopal Church, and during all these years administered to the spiritual nourishment of a local congregation in the city of Chicago.

The evidence of the esteem in which Comrade Fallows was held in his home city was expressed in the vast concourses of people in attendance both at the church and chapel, and also in the unusual procedure of clearing all streets and boulevards in the procession to the grave.

We may well congratulate ourselves upon acquaintance with a man like this on our earthly marches. Surely his crown must scarcely contain the stars representing the souls he helped to save.

Comrade Samuel Fallows died at his home in Chicago, Ill., September 5, 1922, aged 87 years. He was born in England, coming to the United States with his parents at the age of 13, they having located in the State of Wisconsin. He secured his higher education in the University of Wisconsin, and at the time of his death was the oldest living graduate of that institution.

When President Lincoln called for volunteers he entered enthusiastically and patriotically into the work of raising troops.

His service in the War of the Rebellion was as follows: Chaplain of the Thirty-second Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry from September 25, 1862, to June 29, 1863; Lieutenant Colonel of the Fortieth Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry from May 20, 1864, to September 16, 1864; colonel of the Forty-ninth Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry from January 28, 1865, to October 24, 1865, and was made a brevet brigadier general of United States Volunteers.



SAMUEL FALLOWS





J. HENRY HOLCOMB



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He joined U. S. Grant Post, No. 28, Department of Illinois, Grand Army of the Republic, May 19, 1876, and retained his membership therein until his death.

He was chaplain of this post, chaplain of the department, and in 1907 served as chaplain in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. In 1914 he was elected commander of the Department of Illinois. Among other activities he had also served as national patriotic instructor and as president of the association of the Army of the Tennessee.

But for him "Taps are sounded; lights are out; the soldier sleeps." Taps of the finite-reveille of the infinite; an invitation to God's eternal camping ground.

Hail, Fallows! Hail! and, for a season, farewell!

JOHN B. INMAN.

WILLIAM J. LIBBERTON.

HENRY D. FULTON.

E. B. HEIMSTREET.

HOSEA W. ROOD.

*Committee.*







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## COMRADE J. HENRY HOLCOMB

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL AND CUSTODIAN, 1895-1921.  
MUSTERED OUT AT PHILADELPHIA, PA., APRIL 24, 1922.

Comrade J. Henry Holcomb died at his home in Philadelphia on Monday evening, April 24, 1922. He was 78 years of age.

He was enrolled as sergeant major in the Third Regiment, Pennsylvania Artillery, on the 4th day of March, 1864, and was discharged the 9th day of November, 1865.

After his return from the Army he was actively engaged in the commission business.

Comrade Holcomb held the office of quartermaster of Capt. Philip R. Schuyler Post, No. 51, Philadelphia, for many years. He was signally honored by both national and department encampments. He received the appointment as assistant quartermaster general and custodian in 1895, and was reappointed annually 26 consecutive terms. He was elected to the council of administration of the Department of Pennsylvania in 1919 and reelected annually from that date.

For many years he held the position of chief clerk of the Pennsylvania Soldiers' Orphans Schools, which position he resigned in 1920, when he was appointed a member of the commission and elected its secretary.

Comrade Holcomb held all the above-named positions at the time of his death.

By his uniform courtesy and strict attention to his duties Comrade Holcomb drew to him hosts of friends who mourn his loss and will greatly miss him.



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## DEPARTMENT OF ALABAMA.

### CHARLES CHURCH CHAPIN.

Comrade Charles Church Chapin, past commander of the Department of Alabama, died at Birmingham, Ala., June 10, 1922. He was born January 4, 1843, at Newbury, Vt. He enlisted August 21, 1861, as a private in Company F, Fourth Vermont Volunteers. After four years' service with this regiment he was discharged July 13, 1865, with the rank of sergeant major. He was department commander in 1911. At the time of his death he was assistant adjutant general.



## DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA.

### BENJAMIN B. TUTTLE.

Comrade Benjamin B. Tuttle, past commander, Department of California and Nevada, died at San Francisco, November 26, 1921. He was born August 18, 1840. He enlisted in the First Connecticut Cavalry on April 20, 1861, was commissioned a captain and was mustered out August 2, 1865. He was department commander in 1914-15.





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## DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING.

### FRANKLIN O. BURDICK.

Comrade Franklin O. Burdick, past commander of the Department of Colorado, died at Boulder, Colo., May 18, 1922. He was born in Linklaen, N. Y., November 6, 1846. He enlisted in Company C. Fortieth Wisconsin Infantry. After the close of the war he combined the practice of medicine with the duties of a clergyman. He was department commander in 1915.

### LOREN C. DANA.

Comrade Loren C. Dana, past commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died at San Diego, Calif., May 31, 1922. He was born in Illinois in 1849. He enlisted as a private in Company H, One Hundred and Forty-fifth Illinois Infantry, April 27, 1864, when but 15 years of age. After the close of the war he removed to Colorado Springs, and during subsequent years filled in succession the offices of city marshal, county sheriff, and postmaster. He was department commander in 1906.

### THOMAS JEFFERSON DOWNEN.

Comrade Thomas Jefferson Downen, past commander of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, died at Pueblo, Colo., April 18, 1922. He was born in McDonough County, Ill., August 14, 1844. He enlisted August 14, 1862, in Company I, Seventy-eighth Illinois Infantry. He was so severely wounded at the Battle of Chickamauga, September 20, 1863, that he was discharged on account of permanent disability April 20, 1864. He was department commander in 1904.



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## DEPARTMENT OF DELAWARE.

### JOSHUA S. LITZENBERG.

Comrade Joshua S. Litzenberg, past commander, Department of Delaware, died at his home in Wilmington, Del., October 12, 1921, from a cold contracted during his return trip from the encampment in Indignapolis, which developed into pneumonia. He enlisted at the outbreak of the war, but being only 16 years old he was sent home. Later he served in the Two hundred and third Pennsylvania Volunteers until the close of the war. He was department commander in 1885, and was serving as assistant adjutant and quartermaster general at the time of his death.

### WILLIAM A. REILLY.

Comrade William A. Reilly, past commander, Department of Delaware, died February 17, 1922. He enlisted in a Missouri regiment at the beginning of the war and served until the end. He was department commander in 1900.

### ROBERT RIDDELL.

Comrade Robert Riddell, past commander, Department of Delaware, died at Washington, March 19, 1922. He was born in 1843. He enlisted in the First Delaware Battery in 1862 and was discharged in July, 1865. He was department commander in 1898.





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## DEPARTMENT OF GEORGIA.

### LEWIS THAYER.

Comrade Lewis Thayer, past commander, Department of Georgia, died at Fitzgerald, Ga., September 8, 1921, aged 81 years. He was born in Ohio, June 4, 1840. He enlisted August 14, 1861, in Company H, First Ohio Cavalry, as private and was discharged as first lieutenant. He was elected commander of the department in 1901.



## DEPARTMENT OF ILLINOIS.

### JOHN MURRAY VERNON.

Past Junior Vice Commander in Chief John Murray Vernon died at Wilmette, Ill., November 20, 1921, aged 80 years. He was born August 23, 1841, at Millbrook, Ill. He enlisted early in the war in Battery B, First Illinois Light Artillery, and served with it till his discharge in July, 1864, participating in many battles. He was elected junior vice commander in chief in Boston in 1917.



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## DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA.

### EDWIN NICAR.

Comrade Edwin Nicar, past commander of the Department of Indiana, died March 23, 1922. He was born in Mishawaka, Ind., January 1, 1840. He enlisted as a private in the Fifteenth Indiana Infantry. At the time of his discharge he had the rank of captain. He participated in the Battles of Shiloh, Stone River, Chickamauga, and those of the Atlanta campaign. He was department commander in 1884.

### VINSON V. WILLIAMS.

Comrade Vinson V. Williams, past commander, Department of Indiana, died at Bedford, Ind., February 28, 1922. He served in the Eighteenth and One hundred and forty-fifth Regiments, Indiana Volunteers, and was discharged in 1865. He was department commander in 1916.



## DEPARTMENT OF IOWA.

### WILLIAM A. McHENRY.

Comrade William A. McHenry, past commander of the Department of Iowa, died at Denison, Iowa, November 28, 1921. He was born in New York, March 6, 1841. He enlisted as a private in Company L, Eighth Illinois Cavalry, in which command he served nearly three years. He was department commander in 1886.





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## DEPARTMENT OF KENTUCKY.

### ANDREW ORFUTT.

Comrade Andrew Orfutt, past commander of the Department of Kentucky, died October 7, 1921. He was born in Kentucky, November 9, 1837. He enlisted in the Fifth Kentucky Cavalry and rose to the rank of captain. He was department commander in 1919.

### AMERICUS WHEDON.

Comrade Americus Whedon, past junior vice commander in chief and past commander of the Department of Kentucky, died in Washington, D. C., October 18, 1921. He was born in Milroy, Ind., July 30, 1840. He enlisted in August, 1862, as lieutenant in the Eighty-second Indiana Infantry and was captain when mustered out in June, 1865. He was captured while in command of a scouting party in South Carolina and was held in prison in Augusta, Macon, and Andersonville till the close of the war. He was department commander of Kentucky in 1896, and junior vice commander in chief in 1912.



## DEPARTMENT OF MAINE.

### EDWIN C. MILLIKEN.

Comrade Edwin C. Milliken, past senior vice commander in chief and past commander of the Department of Maine, died in Portland, Me., October 20, 1921. He was born February 28, 1851, and on March 25, 1864, at the age of 13, he enlisted in Company H. Thirty-second Maine Volunteers and served till the close of the war. He was in the same company with his father. He was elected senior vice commander in chief in 1900, and department commander in 1904.



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## DEPARTMENT OF MARYLAND.

### JAMES E. VANSANT.

Comrade James E. Vansant, past commander of the Department of Maryland, died in Chicago, Ill., October 24, 1921. He was born in Ellicott City, Md., in 1846, and enlisted August 7, 1862, in Company F, Twenty-fourth Ohio Infantry. He served in the Thirteenth and Nineteenth Army Corps, and was discharged July 7, 1865. He was department commander in 1916.

### GEORGE W. F. VERNON.

Comrade George W. F. Vernon, past commander of the Department of Maryland, died at his residence in Baltimore and was buried in Frederick, Md., since the last publication of the In Memoriams. He enlisted as second lieutenant, August 19, 1861, and was mustered out as lieutenant colonel June 28, 1865. He commanded a provisional brigade from December, 1864, to March, 1865. He was commander of the Department of Maryland in 1886.





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## DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN.

### EDWIN F. LAMB.

Comrade Edwin F. Lamb, past commander of the Department of Michigan, died in Detroit, July 19, 1921. He was born in Braintree, Vt., May 3, 1843, and enlisted November 27, 1861, in Company G, Eighth Vermont Infantry. In the capture of New Orleans he was severely wounded in the knee, from which he never recovered, and because of which he was discharged. He was elected department commander of Michigan in 1919.

### GEORGE W. STONE.

Comrade George W. Stone, past department commander of Michigan, died November 11, 1921. He was born in 1849, and enlisted as drummer at the age of 14 in Company D, First Michigan Sharpshooters. He served until July 28, 1865. He was a member of the Michigan G. A. R. Drum Corps and while on parade with them on November 11, 1921, armistice day, he fell dead in the street of Lansing, Mich. He was elected department commander in 1911.



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## DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI.

### GEORGE WASHINGTON MARTIN.

Comrade George Washington Martin, past commander of the Department of Missouri, died in Brookfield, Mo., December 18, 1921. He was born in Monroe County, Ohio, December 30, 1838. He enlisted June 18, 1861, in Company B, Twenty-fifth Ohio Infantry. He was made first lieutenant of his company July 30, 1862. He lost his right arm in the Battle of Gettysburg. He was discharged on account of his wounds October 26, 1863. He was department commander in 1891.

### ALEXANDER McCANDLESS.

Comrade Alexander McCandless, past commander of the Department of Missouri, died at Moberly, Mo., April 22, 1922. He was born in Ohio, January 20, 1844. He enlisted August 14, 1862, in Company D, Seventy-eighth Illinois Infantry, with which regiment he served until it was mustered out, June 7, 1865. This service included the march with Sherman from Atlanta to the sea. He was department commander in 1916.



## DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY.

### JAMES R. MULLIKIN.

Comrade James R. Mullikin, past commander, Department of New Jersey, died at his home March 8, 1922. He served as captain of the Thirty-fifth Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He was department commander in 1921.





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## DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO.

### WILLIAM M. BERGER.

Comrade William M. Berger, past commander, Department of New Mexico, died August 3, 1921, in Belen, N. Mex. He was born in New York, May 7, 1847. His service was in Company G, Eighth New York Infantry. He was elected department commander in 1920.

### JEFFERSON RAYNOLDS.

Comrade Jefferson Raynolds, past commander, Department of New Mexico, died in El Paso, his home, September 30, 1921, at the age of 74. He was born in New York State on May 7, 1847, and served in Company G, Eighth New York Volunteers. He was elected commander of the Department of New Mexico in 1917.

### JOHN A. ROSS.

Comrade John A. Ross, past commander, Department of New Mexico in 1914, died at Las Vegas, N. Mex. He served in Companies G and K, Forty-eighth Ohio Volunteers, and in the One hundred and seventh United States Colored Troops. He was successively sergeant, first lieutenant, and major by brevet.



# In Memoriam



## DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK.

### JOHN S. KOSTER.

Comrade John S. Koster, past commander, Department of New York, died August 18, 1921, in his eighty-first year. He served three years in the Twenty-first Massachusetts Infantry, and attained distinction for his bravery. He brought his dying captain from the field in the face of the enemy's guns. He lost his right arm in a charge at Cold Harbor, June 2, 1864. Upon his return home after months of suffering Governor Andrews gave him a major's commission. In 1903 he became commander of the Department of New York.

### JOHN A. REYNOLDS.

Comrade John A. Reynolds, past commander, Department of New York, died in Fairport, N. Y., April 30, 1921, in his ninety-first year. He was born in New York City, October 4, 1830. In August, 1861, he recruited a company of 155 men, which became Battery L, First New York Light Artillery, and saw much service. He became major after Chancellorsville. He was chief of artillery under Hooker and Slocum on the march to the sea. He was brevetted lieutenant colonel and colonel. He was mustered out in June, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1884.



## DEPARTMENT OF OHIO.

### JOHN C. ROLAND.

Comrade John C. Roland, member of the executive committee of the council of administration from the Department of Ohio, died at Cleveland, Ohio, December 23, 1921. He enlisted in the Fifteenth West Virginia Volunteer Infantry on April 14, 1862, and was discharged June 14, 1865.





# In Memoriam



## DEPARTMENT OF OREGON.

### DAVID H. TURNER.

Comrade David H. Turner, past commander, Department of Oregon, died February 6, 1922, at McMinnville. He enlisted at the age of 16 in the One hundred and thirty-second Indiana Infantry. He was department commander in 1903.



## DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA.

### WILLIAM D. STAUFFER.

Comrade William D. Stauffer, past commander, Department of Pennsylvania, died in Lancaster, Pa., September 23, 1921. He was born in Salisbury Township, Pa. Comrade Stauffer enlisted June 4, 1861, in Company B. First Regiment, Pennsylvania Reserves, and was mustered out with company, as corporal, June 13, 1864. He reenlisted November 1, 1864, in the One hundred and ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers and was discharged as captain August 10, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1897.



# In Memoriam



## DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND.

### WILLIAM MASSEY.

Comrade William Massey, past commander, Department of Rhode Island, died February 23, 1922, at Pawtucket. He enlisted May 26, 1862, in the Ninth Rhode Island Infantry and was discharged at the expiration of his term of enlistment. He was department commander in 1920.

### MURDOCK C. McKENZIE.

Comrade Murdock C. McKenzie, past commander of the Department of Rhode Island, died at Bristol, R. I., March 1, 1922. He was born in Picton, Nova Scotia, March 7, 1848. Coming to the United States he settled at Sterling, Mass. He enlisted May 11, 1864, in the United States Signal Corps. He was discharged August 14, 1865. He was appointed commandant of the Bristol Soldiers' Home July 13, 1918. He was department commander in 1918.





# In Memoriam



## DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

### THOMAS H. BROWN.

Comrade Thomas H. Brown, past commander, Department of South Dakota, and past national inspector general, died at Sioux Falls January 22, 1922. He enlisted in April, 1861, in the Third Wisconsin Infantry and was discharged in August, 1865. He was department commander in 1911.

### CHARLES BADGER CLARK.

Comrade Charles Badger Clark, past commander of the Department of South Dakota, died at Hot Springs, S. Dak., June 10, 1921. He was born in Sequoit, N. Y., December 30, 1840. He enlisted August 13, 1862, in Company B, Twenty-fifth Iowa Infantry. He was so severely wounded during the siege of Vicksburg that he was discharged for the consequent disability July 25, 1863. He was department commander in 1896.

### WILLIAM VINCENT LUCAS.

Comrade Lucas, past commander, Department of South Dakota, died in Santa Cruz, Calif., on November 11, 1921. He was born in Delphi, Ind., July 3, 1835. In 1856 he settled in Bremer County, Iowa, and enlisted from that county November 26, 1862. He was commissioned first lieutenant of Company B, Iowa Infantry, was later promoted to captain, and served in that capacity till the close of the war. In 1883 he moved to South Dakota and was commander of the Department of South Dakota in 1885 and 1886.



# In Memoriam



## DEPARTMENT OF TENNESSEE.

### CHARLES H. FLOURNOY.

Comrade Charles H. Flournoy, past commander of the Department of Tennessee, died at Knoxville, Tenn., July 5, 1922. He was born in 1840. He enlisted March 13, 1863, in the Second Massachusetts Cavalry. He was discharged September 5, 1865. He served as commander of the Department of Tennessee in 1911.

### D. MINOR STEWART.

Comrade D. Minor Stewart, past commander, Department of Tennessee, died January 22 at Chattanooga. He enlisted on April 16, 1861, in the Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was discharged January 23, 1865. He was department commander in 1909.



## DEPARTMENT OF VERMONT.

### ALVIN B. FRANKLIN.

Comrade Alvin B. Franklin, past department commander of Vermont, died in Santa Cruz, Calif., October 2, 1921. He was born in Newfane, Vt., August 17, 1838. At the breaking out of the rebellion he was active in forming Company H, Eighth Vermont Volunteers, and was commissioned first lieutenant. He was severely wounded June 22, 1862, and promoted captain June 12, 1863, and lieutenant colonel March 4, 1865. He was mustered out June 25, 1865. He was elected department commander in 1909.





# In Memoriam



## DEPARTMENT OF WISCONSIN.

### JEROME A. WATROUS.

Comrade Jerome A. Watrous, past commander of the Department of Wisconsin, died at Milwaukee, Wis., June 5, 1922. He was born in Broome County, N. Y., September 6, 1840. He enlisted July 1, 1861, in Company E, Sixth Wisconsin Infantry. He re-enlisted January, 1864. He was mustered out May 15, 1865, with the rank of captain. In addition to service in the War of the Rebellion, he was commissioned as a major in the pay department in the Regular Army during the Spanish-American War. During the later years of his life he was on the retired list of the Regular Army. He was department commander in 1894. He was assistant adjutant general at the time of his death.

# COMPLETE ROSTER OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

FOUNDED BY DR. BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, AT DECATUR, ILL.,  
APRIL 6, 1866.

*First commander in chief,*  
BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.

*First adjutant general,*  
ROBERT MANN WOOD, Illinois.

*First quartermaster general,*  
JOHN M. SNYDER, Illinois.

No official records of membership prior to 1878.

FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
NOVEMBER 20, 1866.

Headquarters established Springfield, Ill.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	STEPHEN A. HURLBURT, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES B. MCKEAN, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT S. FOSTER, Indiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	D. C. MCNEIL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM A. PILE, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	BENJAMIN F. STEPHENSON, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	AUGUST WILlich, Ohio.

SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA.,  
JANUARY 15, 1868.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSHUA T. OWEN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN BELL, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	T. C. CAMPBELL, Ohio.
<i>Inspector general</i> <sup>1</sup> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New Jersey.

THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO,  
MAY 12, 13, 1869.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	S. B. WYLIE MITCHELL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ALONZO H. QUINT, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

<sup>1</sup> By amendment to rules and regulations staff officers now appointed.



FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
MAY 11, 12, 1870.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN A. LOGAN, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE W. COLLIER, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	TIMOTHY LUBEY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED A. STARRING, Washington, D. C.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	NORTON P. CHIPMAN, Washington, D. C.

FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
MAY 10, 11, 1871.

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES COEY, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM CUTTING, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO,  
MAY 8, 9, 1872.

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE, Rhode Island.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. WARREN KEIFER, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	Dr. SAMUEL A. GREEN, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROSWELL MILLER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MILAN B. GOODRICH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, NEW HAVEN, CONN.,  
MAY 14, 15, 1873.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. GOBLE, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD FERGUSON, Wisconsin.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CORNELIUS G. ATTWOOD, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	A. WILSON NORRIS, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, HARRISBURG, PA., MAY 13, 1874.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES DEVENS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDWARD JARDINE, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GUY T. GOULD, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HANS POWELL, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. WOODBURY, Rhode Island.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY R. SIBLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. B. R. SPRAGUE, Massachusetts.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. W. BROWN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., MAY 12, 13, 1875.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN W. FOYE, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Wisconsin.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. F. ROGERS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### TENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., JUNE 30, 1876.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN F. HARTRANFT, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. S. REYNOLDS, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES J. BUCKBEE, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspectors general</i> -----	{ W. F. ROGERS, New York. <sup>2</sup> MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	W. W. DOUGLAS, Rhode Island.

### ELEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PROVIDENCE, R. I., JUNE 26, 27, 1877.

Headquarters established New York City.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ELISHA H. RHODES, Rhode Island.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOS. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

<sup>2</sup> Resigned on being elected department commander of New York.



**TWELFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.,  
JUNE 4, 1878.**

Headquarters established New York City. Membership, 31,016.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. ROBINSON, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HERBERT E. HILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JAMES L. WATSON, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES L. FARLEY, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MATTHEW HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM COGSWELL, Massachusetts.

**THIRTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ALBANY, N. Y.,  
JUNE 17, 18, 1879.**

Headquarters established National Military Home, Ohio. Membership, 44,752.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM EARNSHAW, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRISON DINGMAN, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM B. JONES, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ISAAC B. STEVENS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES W. RAPHUN, Maryland.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. BALDWIN, Ohio.

**FOURTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DAYTON, OHIO,  
JUNE 8, 9, 1880.**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 60,634.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	EDGAR D. SWAIN, Illinois.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE BOWERS, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. C. HAMLIN, Maine.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

**FIFTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
JUNE 15, 16, 1881.**

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 85,856.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE S. MERRILL, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES L. YOUNG, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHARLES STYER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. Jos. F. LOVERING, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	WILLIAM WARD, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	GEORGE B. SQUIRES, New York.

# SIXTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BALTIMORE, MD., JUNE 21-23, 1882.

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 134,701.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	PAUL VANDERVOORT, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. E. W. ROSS, Maryland.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	I. S. BANGS, Maine.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	F. E. BROWN, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES R. CARNAHAN, Indiana.

# SEVENTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., JULY 25, 26, 1883.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 225,446.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BEATH, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WALTER H. HOLMES, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	AZEL AMES, Jr., Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. I. M. FOSTER, New York.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN M. VANDERSLICE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SANTMYER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM VANDEVEG, Iowa.

# EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., JULY 23-25, 1884.

Headquarters established Toledo, Ohio. Membership, 273,168.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN S. KOUNTZ, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRA E. HICKS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM D. HALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. M. SHANAFELT, Michigan.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	W. W. ALCORN, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

# NINETEENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, ME., JUNE 24, 25, 1885.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 294,787.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL S. BURDETT, Washington, D. C.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SELDON CONNOR, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN R. LEWIS, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. C. TUCKER, California.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. LEMUEL H. STEWART, Ohio.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN CAMERON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ARGUS D. VANOSDOL, Indiana.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES H. GROSVENOR, Ohio.



## TWENTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., AUGUST 4-6, 1886.

Headquarters established Madison, Wis. Membership, 323,571.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	LUCIUS FAIRCHILD, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	SAMUEL W. BACKUS, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	EDGAR ALLEN, Virginia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	AMBROSE S. EVERETT, Colorado.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. T. C. WARNER, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	JACOB M. HUNTER, Ohio.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	HENRY E. TAINTOR, Connecticut.

## TWENTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. LOUIS, MO., SEPTEMBER 28-30, 1887.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 355,916.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	JOHN P. REA, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	NELSON COLE, Missouri.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	JOHN C. LINEHAN, New Hampshire.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	FLORENCE DONAHOE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. EDW. ANDERSON, Connecticut.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	DANIEL FISH, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	IRA M. HEDGES, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	WHELOCK G. VEAZY, Vermont.

## TWENTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 12-14, 1888.

Headquarters established Kansas City, Mo. Membership, 372,960.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	WILLIAM WARNER, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	MOSES H. NEIL, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	JOSEPH HADFIELD, New York.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	R. M. DE WITT, Iowa.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. STEPHEN G. UPDYKE, Dakota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	GEORGE S. EVANS, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	JOHN B. JOHNSON, Kansas.

## TWENTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MILWAUKEE, WIS., AUGUST 28-30, 1889.

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 397,974.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> _____	RUSSELL A. ALGER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> _____	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> _____	JOHN F. LOVETT, New Jersey.
<i>Surgeon general</i> _____	HORACE P. PORTER, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> _____	Rev. W. H. CHILDERS, Kentucky.
<i>Adjutant general</i> _____	GEORGE H. HOPKINS, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> _____	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> _____	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> _____	D. R. AUSTIN, Ohio.

**TWENTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS.,  
AUGUST 13, 14, 1890.**

Headquarters established Rutland, Vt. Membership, 409,489.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WHEELOCK G. VEAZEY, Vermont.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ RICHARD F. TOBIN, Massachusetts. <sup>*</sup> GEORGE H. INNIS, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE B. CREAMER, Maryland.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MYRON W. REED, Colorado.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH H. GOULDING, Vermont.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM LOCHREN, Minnesota.

**TWENTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH.,  
AUGUST 5-7, 1891.**

Headquarters established Albany, N. Y. Membership, 407,781.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN PALMER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	BENJAMIN V. STEVENSON, Kentucky.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. S. B. PAINE, Florida.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRED. PHISTERER, New York.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN F. PRATT, New Jersey.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.

**TWENTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 1892.**

Headquarters established Milwaukee, Wis. Membership, 399,880.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	A. G. WEISSERT, Wisconsin.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	R. H. WARFIELD, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	PETER B. AYARS, Delaware.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. C. WILE, Connecticut.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. R. LOWELL, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	E. B. GRAY, Wisconsin.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN TAYLOR, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	GEORGE L. GOODALE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER, 6, 7, 1893.**

Headquarters established Lynn, Mass. Membership, 397,223.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year :

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. B. ADAMS, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. G. BIGGER, Texas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE R. GRAHAM, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. A. V. KENDRICK, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JAMES F. MEECH, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	LOUIS WAGNER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ANDREW M. UNDERHILL, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.

<sup>\*</sup> Died in office.



**TWENTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PITTSBURGH, PA.,  
SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1894.**

Headquarters established Rockford, Ill. Membership, 369,083.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS G. LAWLER, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	A. P. BURCHFIELD, Pennsylvania.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES H. SHUTE, Louisiana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	O. W. WEEKS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. T. H. HAGERTY, Missouri.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	C. C. JONES, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	JOHN W. BURST, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	C. V. R. POND, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	MATT. H. ELLIS, New York.

**TWENTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY.,  
SEPTEMBER 11-13, 1895.**

Headquarters established Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 357,639.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	IVAN N. WALKER, Indiana.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. H. HOBSON, Kentucky.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	S. G. COSGROVE, Washington.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. B. WHITING, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS C. ILIFF, Utah.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED DARTE, Pennsylvania.

**THIRTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ST. PAUL, MINN.,  
SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1896.**

Headquarters established Omaha, Nebr. Membership, 340,610.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THAD. S. CLARKSON, Nebraska.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN H. MULLEN, Minnesota.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES W. BUCKLEY, Alabama.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. E. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. MARK B. TAYLOR, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BURMESTER, Nebraska.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	A. J. BURBANK, Illinois.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES A. SUYDAM, Pennsylvania.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALBERT CLARK, Massachusetts.

**THIRTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BUFFALO, N. Y.,  
AUGUST 25-27, 1897.**

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 319,456.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN P. S. GOBIN, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED LYTH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANCIS B. ALLEN, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DAVID MCKAY, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. FRANK C. BRUNER, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CINCINNATI, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 5, 6, 1898.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 305,603.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	JAMES A. SEXTON, <sup>3</sup> Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. C. JOHNSON, Ohio.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	DANIEL ROSS, Delaware.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	A. S. PIERCE, Nebraska.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL LUCAS, Indiana.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	FRED W. SPINK, Illinois.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALONZO WILLIAMS, Rhode Island.
	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PHILADELPHIA, PA., SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 1899.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 287,918.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALBERT D. SHAW, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	IRVIN ROBBINS, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	MICHAEL MINTON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon General</i> -----	WILLIAM H. BAKER, Massachusetts.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JACOB L. GRIMM, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	EDWARD J. ATKINSON, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	NATHAN P. POND, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.

### THIRTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHICAGO, ILL., AUGUST 29, 30, 1900.

Headquarters established St. Louis, Mo. Membership, 276,612.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEO RASSIEUR, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. C. MILLIKEN, Maine.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	FRANK SEAMAN, Tennessee.
<i>Surgeon General</i> -----	JOHN A. WILKINS, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. AUG. DRAHMS, California.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK M. STERRETT, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY S. PECK, Connecticut.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES H. WOLFF, Massachusetts.

### THIRTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CLEVELAND, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1901.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 269,507.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELL TORRANCE, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN MCELROY, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES O'DONNELL, Illinois.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM R. THRALL, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS N. BOYLE, Pennsylvania.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	W. A. WETHERBEE, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HENRY M. DUFFIELD, Michigan.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.



### THIRTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., OCTOBER 9, 10, 1902.

Headquarters established Philadelphia, Pa. Membership, 263,745.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS J. STEWART, Pennsylvania.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM M. OLIN, Massachusetts.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES P. AVERILL, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	A. W. ACHESON, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. D. B. SHUEY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN W. SCHALL, Pennsylvania.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	F. A. WALSH, Wisconsin.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.

### THIRTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., AUGUST 20, 21, 1903.

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 256,510.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN C. BLACK, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. MASON KINNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HARRY C. KESSLER, Montana.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE A. HARMAN, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. WINFIELD SCOTT, Arizona.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES A. PARTRIDGE, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	ERWIN B. MESSLER, Iowa.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.

### THIRTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 17, 18, 1904.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 247,340.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILMON W. BLACKMAR, Massachusetts. <sup>3</sup> JOHN R. KING, Maryland.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOHN R. KING, Maryland. GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ GEORGE W. PATTEN, Tennessee. E. B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WARREN R. KING, Indiana.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. BRADFORD, Washington, D. C.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEE S. ESTELLE, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocates general</i> -----	{ AMOS M. THAYER, Missouri. <sup>3</sup> OSCAR L. MOORE, Kansas.

### THIRTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DENVER, COLO., SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 1905.

Headquarters established Washington, D. C. Membership, 232,455.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES TANNER, New York.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE W. COOK, Colorado.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	SILAS H. TOWLER, Minnesota.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	HUGO PHILLER, Wisconsin.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. F. LEARY, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN TWEEDALE, Washington, D. C.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	FRANK BATTLES, New Hampshire.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. J. CUMMINGS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	CHARLES A. CLARK, Iowa.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

## FORTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., AUGUST 16, 17, 1906.

Headquarters established Zanesville, Ohio. Membership, 235,823.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT B. BROWN, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. ARMSTRONG, Indiana.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. B. FENTON, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	W. H. JOHNSON, Nebraska.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. JOHN IRELAND, Minnesota.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS W. EVANS, Missouri.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	FRANK L. CAMPBELL, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

## FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., SEPTEMBER 12, 13, 1907.

Headquarters established Kansas City. Membership, 229,932.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES G. BURTON, Missouri.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS E. GRIFFITH, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	W. M. SCOTT, Georgia.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JEREMIAH T. DEW, Missouri.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	L. W. COLLINS, Minnesota.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WARREN LEE GOSS, New Jersey.

## FORTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, TOLEDO, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1908.

Headquarters established Jersey City, N. J. Membership, 225,157.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY M. NEVIUS, New Jersey.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. KENT HAMILTON, Ohio.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES C. ROYCE, California.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	G. LANE TANEYHILL, Maryland.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. JOHN F. SPENCE, Tennessee.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	FRANK O. COLE, New Jersey.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. HORNADAY, Oklahoma.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	Right Rev. SAMUEL FALLOWS, Illinois.

## FORTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, AUGUST 12, 13, 1909.

Headquarters established Minneapolis, Minn. Membership, 220,600.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	SAMUEL R. VAN SANT, Minnesota.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM R. BOSTAPH, Utah.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM H. LEMON, Kansas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. DANIEL RYAN, Indiana.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE O. EDDY, Minnesota.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	WILLIAM F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RUSSELL R. PEALER, Michigan.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.



# FORTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 1910.

Headquarters established Boston, Mass. Membership, 213,901.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN E. GILMAN, Massachusetts.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHARLES BURROWS, New Jersey.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM JAMES, Florida.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN L. SMITH, M. D., Washington.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. THOMAS HARWOOD, New Mexico.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	EPHRAIM B. STILLINGS, Massachusetts.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	HENRY Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	J. S. HOAGLAND, Nebraska.

# FORTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y., AUGUST 24, 25, 1911.

Headquarters established Chicago, Ill. Membership, 203,410.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	HARVEY M. TRIMBLE, Illinois.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	NICHOLAS W. DAY, New York.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. OGDEN, Kansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN D. HANRAHAN, Vermont.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. WYNNE JONES, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	CHARLES R. E. KOCH, Illinois.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JOHN H. MCCLAY, Nebraska.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN B. LEWIS, Massachusetts.

# FORTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, LOS ANGELES, CALIF., SEPTEMBER 9-14, 1912.

Headquarters established Bridgeport, Conn. Membership, 191,346.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ALFRED B. BEERS, Connecticut.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	H. Z. OSBORNE, California.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	AMERICUS WHEDON, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	L. L. WHITTAKER, Texas.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE E. LOVEJOY, Massachusetts.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	HENRY J. SEELEY, Connecticut.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	J. PAYSON BRADLEY, Massachusetts.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	BENJAMIN F. BRYANT, Wisconsin.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

# FORTY-SEVENTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, CHATTANOOGA, TENN., SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 1913.

Headquarters established Detroit, Mich. Membership, 180,227.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WASHINGTON GARDNER, Michigan.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	THOMAS H. SOWARD, Oklahoma.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ WILLIAM L. ROSS, Maine. <sup>4</sup> A. S. FOWLER, Arkansas.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	J. K. WEAVER, Pennsylvania.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. HORACE M. CARR, Kansas.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	OSCAR A. JAMES, Michigan.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	LEVI S. WARREN, Michigan.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	P. H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minnesota.

<sup>4</sup> Resigned.

### FORTY-EIGHTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DETROIT, MICH., SEPTEMBER 3, 4, 1914.

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 171,335.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	DAVID J. PALMER, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ JOSEPH B. GRISWOLD, <sup>3</sup> Michigan.
	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
<i>Junior vice commanders in chief</i> -----	{ W. F. CONNER, Texas.
	{ OSCAR A. JANES, Michigan.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	LEWIS S. PILCHER, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. ORVILLE J. NAVE, California
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	GEORGE A. NEWMAN, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES E. BEACH, Vermont.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	HARRY WHITE, Pennsylvania.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	CYRUS A. BROOKS, Colorado.

### FORTY-NINTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, 1915.

Headquarters established at Cincinnati, Ohio. Membership, 159,863.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ELIAS R. MONFORT, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE H. SLAYBAUGH, Washington, D. C.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	LEVANT DODGE, Kentucky.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	REUBEN A. ADAMS, New York.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. BENJAMIN F. CLARKSON, Maryland.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	Dr. JOHN M. ADAMS, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, New York.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	PATRICK H. CONEY, Kansas.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indiana.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, New Jersey.

### FIFTIETH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, KANSAS CITY, MO., AUGUST 28 TO SEPTEMBER 2, 1916.

Headquarters established at Pittsburgh, Pa. Membership, 149,074.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	W. J. PATTERSON, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM H. WORMSTEAD, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	E. K. RUSS, New Orleans, La.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	WILLIAM M. HANNA, Aurora, Ill.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. O. S. REED, Manzanola, Colo.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	H. H. BENGOUGH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	CHARLES H. HASKINS, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	RALZEMOND A. PARKER, Detroit, Mich.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	URIAH SEELY, Newark, N. J.

### FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, BOSTON, MASS., AUGUST 20-25, 1917.

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 135,931.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	ORLANDO A. SOMERS, Kokomo, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN L. CLEM, Atlanta, Ga.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN M. VERNON, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	JOHN M. ADAMS, Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. C. H. FRADY, Helena, Mont.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	WILLIAM C. CALLAND, Springfield, Mo.



FIFTY-SECOND NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, OREG.,  
AUGUST 18-24, 1918.

Headquarters established at Lincoln, Nebr. Membership, 120,916.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	CLARENDON E. ADAMS, Omaha, Nebr.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	JOHN G. CHAMBERS, Portland, Oreg.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CHAS. H. HABER, National Home, Va.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	CHESTER M. FERRIN, Burlington, Vt.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. PHILIP A. NORDELL, Boston, Mass.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	ALBERT M. TRIMBLE, Lincoln, Nebr.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	THOMAS H. BROWN, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	GEORGE D. KELLOGG, Newcastle, Calif.

FIFTY-THIRD NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, COLUMBUS, OHIO,  
SEPTEMBER 7-13, 1919.

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y., later removed to Columbus, Ohio. Membership, 110,357.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	{ JAMES D. BELL, <sup>3</sup> Brooklyn, N. Y. DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ DANIEL M. HALL, Columbus, Ohio. CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	{ CHARLES B. WILSON, Los Angeles, Calif. ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	STEPHEN I. BROWN, Knox, Ind.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. W. W. GIST, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	{ ISIDORE ISAACS, Brooklyn, N. Y. JOSEPH W. O'NEALL, Columbus, Ohio.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	JAMES C. TAYLOR, Newark, N. J.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	HOSEA W. ROOD, Madison, Wis.

FIFTY-FOURTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 19-25, 1920.

Headquarters established at Indianapolis, Ind. Membership, 103,258.  
The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. KETCHAM, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	GEORGE A. HOSLEY, Boston, Mass.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	J. E. GANDY, Spokane, Wash.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	C. W. BURRILL, Kansas City, Mo.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	WILLIAM A. BOSWORTH, Wichita, Kans.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	MAHLON D. BUTLER, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	M. W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	SMITH STIMMEL, Fargo, N. Dak.

<sup>3</sup> Died in office.

**FIFTY-FIFTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,  
SEPTEMBER 25-29, 1921.**

Headquarters established at Brooklyn, N. Y. Membership, 93,171.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	LEWIS S. PILCHER, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	HENRY A. JOHNSON, Washington, D. C.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. GEORGE B. SMITH, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	WILLIAM C. PECKHAM, Brooklyn, N. Y.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	THOMAS S. HOPKINS, Washington, D. C.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	RICHARD A. SARLE, San Francisco, Calif.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	LEVI LONGFELLOW, Minneapolis, Minn.

**FIFTY-SIXTH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT, DES MOINES, IOWA,  
SEPTEMBER 24-29, 1922.**

Headquarters established at Des Moines, Iowa. Membership, 85,621.

The following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

<i>Commander in chief</i> -----	JAMES W. WILLETT, Tama, Iowa.
<i>Senior vice commander in chief</i> -----	C. S. BRODBENT, San Antonio, Tex.
<i>Junior vice commander in chief</i> -----	CRAVEN V. GARDNER, Rapid City, S. Dak.
<i>Surgeon general</i> -----	GEORGE TRYON HARDING, M. D., Marion, Ohio.
<i>Chaplain in chief</i> -----	Rev. J. H. EPPLER, Gary, Ind.
<i>Adjutant general</i> -----	JOHN P. RISLEY, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Quartermaster general</i> -----	COLA D. R. STOWITS, Buffalo, N. Y.
<i>Judge advocate general</i> -----	ROBERT W. MCBRIDE, Indianapolis, Ind.
<i>Inspector general</i> -----	MARSHALL W. WOOD, Boise, Idaho.
<i>National patriotic instructor</i> -----	JOHN M. WILLIAMS, California, Mo.





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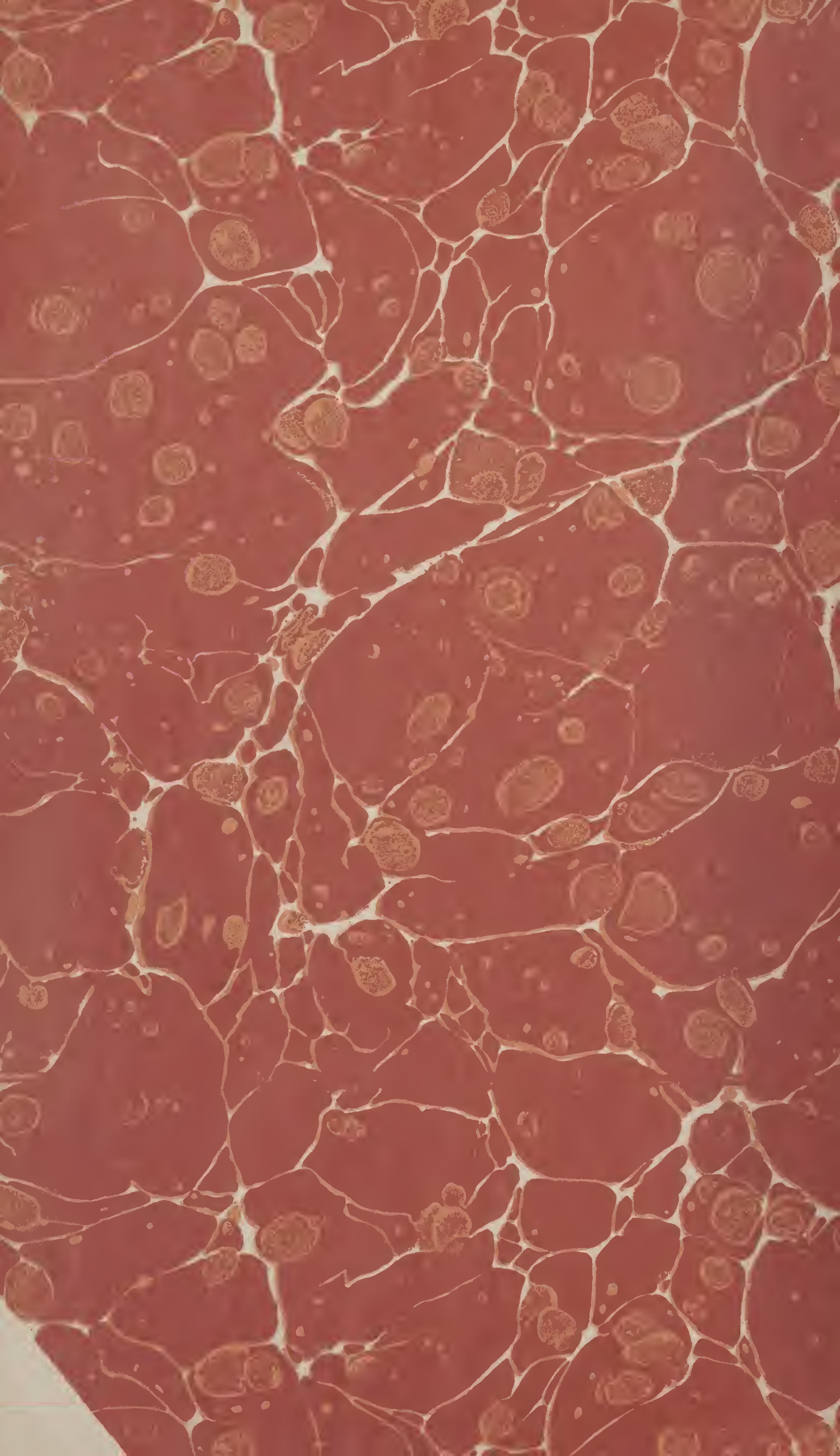






















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